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Governor Appoints New Superior Court Judge

MODESTO, CA- On May 19, 2023, Governor Newsom announced the appointment of Sweena Pannu as a judge in the Stanislaus County Superior Court.

Ms. Pannu brings a wealth of legal experience to her new role. She has served as a Deputy County Counsel in the Stanislaus County Counsel's Office since 2020, where she has consistently demonstrated her expertise and dedication to upholding justice. Prior to this, she served as a Deputy Public Defender at the Stanislaus County Public Defender's Office from 2006 to 2020 and was an attorney in private practice from 1996 to 2004.

Presiding Judge Carrie M. Stephens expressed her enthusiasm for Ms. Pannu's appointment, stating, "We are delighted with Governor Newsom's decision to appoint Sweena Pannu. Her exceptional qualifications speak for themselves. Through her extensive record of public service, Ms. Pannu has proven herself as a valuable member of our community. We eagerly anticipate her continued contributions to our Court's mission of ensuring equal access to justice for all."

Ms. Pannu will take the oath of office on Tuesday, July 11, 2023.

Ms. Pannu earned a Master of Laws degree from the University of Aberdeen School of Law. She fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Thomas D. Zeff.

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