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THE SAN FRANCISCO BENCH APPOINTS A NEW COMMISSIONER TO SERVE IN THE UNIFIED FAMILY COURT

Effective today, Sacramento family law attorney Bobby P. Luna will join the San Francisco bench to serve as the Court's sole commissioner, Court Executive Officer Brandon E. Riley announced today.

After 14 years of practicing family law in Sacramento and surrounding counties, Luna will assume the duties in the Unified Family Court after the retirement of longtime Commissioner Rebecca Wightman. The San Francisco bench voted to appoint Luna after a competitive recruitment to replace Commissioner Wightman.

"The Court is eager to welcome Bobby Luna to our esteemed bench," Presiding Judge Anne-Christine Massullo said. "He brings vast experience and a passion for family law across all case types, including child custody, child support, spousal support, child custody/visitation, property division, domestic violence, adoptions, and other issues affecting couples and families."

Luna will begin his position on June 3, which will allow him some transition time with Commissioner Wightman before she retires on June 28.

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"I am humbled and honored to have been selected as the San Francisco Superior Court's newest Court Commissioner," Luna said. "I look forward to this exciting next chapter, wherein my commitment to fairness and justice remains steadfast. I pledge to serve our community with unwavering dedication, ensuring that every decision reflects the values of fairness, integrity and equity."

After earning his Juris Doctorate from McGeorge School of Law in 2006, Luna worked as a paralegal until he opened his own law office in 2011. As the owner and principal of the Law Offices of Bobby P. Luna in Sacramento, he has participated in more than 1,700 law and motion hearings and litigated approximately 200 cases through trial. From December 1994 to April 2004, he served in various Sacramento County Superior Court positions, including as a paralegal in the Family Law Facilitator's Office. Since last year, he was an adjunct faculty member teaching family law at the McGeorge School of Law.

A Court Commissioner serves as a subordinate judicial officer under the general direction of the Supervising Judge of the Unified Family Court. Luna will conduct hearings and conferences in family law proceedings with a primary assignment in the AB1058/Title IV-D Child Support Department.

The Court Commissioner may be asked to serve as a temporary judge handling a variety of court matters, and upon stipulation of the parties, the Court Commissioner may sit as a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem. The Court Commissioner also is a non-voting member of the 12-member Executive Committee, which serves as the Court's Board of Directors.

Luna's annual salary will be \$202,707 annually.

The San Francisco bench is comprised of 52 judges and one commissioner.