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## **ADVISORY DATE:**

September 16, 2016

## GRADUATION CEREMONY TO HONOR VETERANS WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED SAN FRANCISO'S VETERANS JUSTICE COURT PROGRAM

## Veterans Will Describe How VJC Has Helped Them to Lead Productive, Crime-Free Lives

**SAN FRANCISCO** -- San Francisco Superior Court Judge Jeffrey S. Ross will host past and current graduates of the Veterans Justice Court (VJC) during a Sept. 23 graduation ceremony at the Hall of Justice.

Working with the Veterans Administration and Jail Health Services' Behavioral Health and Reentry Programs, the VJC provides drug treatment, job training, mental health counseling, housing and other services to assist participants to overcome addiction, to repair family relationships, to secure and maintain housing and employment, to avoid reoffending and to return as productive members of society.

The Mayor, Supervisors, Police Chief and Sheriff are invited.

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What: Veterans Justice Court Graduation

When: Noon – 1 p.m., Friday, September 23, 2016

Where: Hall of Justice

850 Bryant St.

5th Floor Police Commission Room

Veterans who have agreed to be photographed and interviewed will be available to the media. For more information, contact Ann E. Donlan, Communications Director, San Francisco Superior Court, at (415) 551-5957 or <a href="mailto:adonlan@sftc.org">adonlan@sftc.org</a>.