

JUDGE RUSS ROECA'S STATEMENT ON THE KICKOFF OF THE BAY AREA JUDICIAL MENTOR PROGRAM

A group of Bay Area judges and law professionals held the inaugural program on February 2, 2022, for the new Judicial Mentor Program at a forum entitled "Demystifying the Judicial Appointment Process." San Francisco Superior Court Judge Russ Roeca issued the following statement at the conclusion of the program.

"We had a wonderful Zoom program Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. announcing the kickoff of the Bay Area Judicial Mentor Programs with eight counties participating. It was well attended; more than 270 folks registered and 180 attended the program.

"Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye provided the opening remarks. The Governor's appointment secretary, Luis Cespedes, spoke and was followed by Judge Andrew Steckler from Alameda, Marvin Anderson from BASF, and Judge Nahal Iravani-Sani from Santa Clara. I moderated the program and Judge Gordon fielded the questions from the audience. The technical aspects were deftly handled by Adrienne Williams. It was very well received across the state. I want to personally thank our SF team: Alexandra Robert Gordon, Monica Wiley, Victor Hwang, Murlene Randle, Marisa Chun, Adrienne Williams and Mary Bhojwani."