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### **SAN FRANCISCO SUPERIOR COURT BENCH ELECTS VETERAN JURIST SAMUEL K. FENG AS NEW PRESIDING JUDGE**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – Presiding Judge Garrett L. Wong today announced the San Francisco Bench has elected Assistant Presiding Judge Samuel K. Feng to serve as the incoming Presiding Judge of the San Francisco Superior Court, effective January 1, 2021.

“I am confident that with the support of our Court family of judges and staff, our court will continue its dedicated service to the public,” Judge Feng said. “I am humbled by the support of my colleagues and look forward to working with all of our partners to assure access to justice for everyone who enters a court in San Francisco.”

Judge Feng has served in numerous judicial leadership roles since he was appointed to the Superior Court of San Francisco County by former governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in September 2009. California Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye appointed Judge Feng to serve on the Judicial Council in 2015. He has also contributed to judicial branch projects and policies as a member of various statewide Judicial Council committees, including the Executive and Planning Committee; Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee; Court Facilities Advisory Committee; and the Court Costs Reduction Subcommittee. He also served as co-Chair of the Judicial Council Immigrations Task Force and Chair of the Courthouse Naming Subcommittee.

“Judge Feng has served the bench with great distinction,” Judge Wong said. “He is a man of boundless energy which will serve him well as the next Presiding Judge. He will be a strong steward of the court’s resources during the budget crisis.”

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Judge Feng has presided in Preliminary Hearing courts handling felonies and arraignments as well as Misdemeanor and Felony Trials. He has administrative experience in managing the Master Misdemeanor Criminal calendar and the Misdemeanor Settlement Conference calendar. He has also presided over Civil cases.

Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Feng was a civil litigator who tried and handled insurance, bad faith, personal injury, employment discrimination and real property and contract case. He also has experience as an arbitrator, mediator, settlement conference panelist and Judge Pro Tempore.

Judge Feng earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Southern California where he graduated magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa Phi Kappa Phi. He received his J.D. from the University of California Hastings, College of the Law.

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