

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF NEVADA**

**IN THE MATTER OF JUDICIAL DUTIES**

**ANNUAL ORDER NO. 223**

**ORDER FOR 2026 COURT  
ASSIGNMENTS**

This Order is made pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 10.603(c)(1)(A), to designate assignment of judicial officers of the Court. The Presiding Judge hereby designates the following duties and assignments:

1. Presiding Judge B. Scott Thomsen shall preside over matters heard in Department 4, shall preside over matters pertaining to the administration of the Grand Jury through June 2026, is designated as a judge of the Juvenile Division pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code §246, and shall serve as Supervising Judge over the Civil, Criminal, Family, Appellate and Juvenile Divisions and both court branch locations.
2. Assistant Presiding Judge S. Robert Tice-Raskin shall preside over matters heard in Department 6, matters pertaining to elections, including matters brought under Elections Code §2100 and §2142(a).
3. Judge Yvette Durant shall preside over matters heard in Department A and shall serve as the Presiding Judge over the Appellate Division.
4. Judge Kelly Babineau shall preside over matters heard in Department 3 and shall serve as the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Division pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code §246.
5. Judge Alissa L. Bjerkhoel shall preside over matters heard in Department 1.

1 6. Judge Courtney C. Abril shall preside over matters heard in Department 2 and she shall  
2 preside over matters pertaining to administration of the Grand Jury commencing July  
3 2026.

4 7. Commissioner Robert Brodnik shall preside over matters heard in Departments 5 and B.  
5 The following general principles are applicable in referring matters pursuant to these  
6 assignments:

- 7 1. Orders submitted for signature shall be routed to the judicial officer who made the order.  
8 If the judicial officer who made the order is unavailable, then it shall be routed pursuant  
9 to Code of Civil Procedure §635, as follows:  
10 a. To the Presiding Judge or  
11 b. To the Acting Presiding Judge.

12 The following general principles apply when determining reassignment after a disqualification of  
13 judicial officer:

- 14 1. In the event a judicial officer is disqualified, or if the parties do not stipulate to a  
15 Commissioner (if required), the case shall be referred to the Presiding Judge for  
16 reassignment.  
17 2. If the Presiding Judge is disqualified, the case shall be referred to the Assistant Presiding  
18 Judge for reassignment, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §170.3(a)(2).  
19 3. In the event that all available judicial officers are disqualified, the matter shall be heard  
20 by a visiting judge or as otherwise assigned.  
21 4. At the request of a neighboring court, the Presiding Judge will assign a Judge of the  
22 Nevada Superior Court to assist a neighboring court if practical given the obligations of  
23 this court.

24 This order is effective January 1, 2026 and supersedes all prior designations of assignments.

25 Dated: 1-1-2026

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27 B. SCOTT THOMSEN  
28 Presiding Judge