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Superior Court Judge William H. McAdam Retires

Judge William H. McAdam will leave the bench on September 30, 2013. Appointed by former Governor Gray Davis, Judge McAdam began his judicial career in 2003. Prior to joining the bench, Judge McAdam served as a full-time Judge Pro Tem at the San Diego Juvenile Court, where he presided over juvenile delinquency cases. He also chaired the Drug Court Steering Committee and the Delinquency and Truancy Subcommittee.

Judge McAdam brought a variety of legal experience to the bench. As a decorated combat infantry Marine Vietnam War veteran, Judge McAdam began his law career as a legal officer at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego (1969-1970). He practiced general and civil litigation (1970-1976) with Mike Neil and the law firm of Jones, Tellam, Irving and Estes. In 1976 he moved to Sandpoint, Idaho where he practiced general and civil litigation and as the City Attorney. In 1988, he returned to San Diego where he worked as in-house counsel for Lusardi construction company, and in 1991 joined Gordon and Rees, where he handled insurance defense and construction defect cases. Prior to his appointment to the Superior Court he was associated with Robert Coffin, Carole Fegley and Jessica Watson.

"I have had a GREAT time! I only hope that I have been able to help some parents and their children along the way," says Judge McAdam.

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Presiding Superior Court Judge Robert J. Trentacosta says, “Judge McAdam has undertaken some of the toughest assignments on the bench in Family and Juvenile court. He has approached his cases with a concern and compassion for the individuals involved. He has been both a friend and colleague and he will be missed.”

Judge McAdam has a Bachelor of Arts degree from UC Berkeley and earned his law degree from Loyola Law School.

“I am very much looking forward to my new career as in house counsel for Infant Hearing Screening Specialists – a California company providing infant screening services for hospitals in California and hopefully across the country,” says Judge McAdam about his retirement plans.

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