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Orange County Bar Association Releases Ratings of Candidates Running for Judicial Office in June 3 Election

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif.— As a public service to assist the voters in Orange County, the Orange County Bar Association (OCBA) has conducted a review of 10 candidates running for Superior Court Judge in the June 3 election. The OCBA considered each candidate to be given one of four ratings: “Exceptionally Well Qualified,” “Well Qualified,” “Qualified,” or “Not Qualified.”

OCBA RATINGS OF JUDICIAL CANDIDATES

Race	Candidate	Rating
Superior Court Office No. 14	Kevin Haskins	Well Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 14	Kenneth C. “KC” Jones	Well Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 14	Thomas E. Martin	Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 14	Fred Fascenelli	Not Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 20	Hon. Derek G. Johnson	Well Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 20	Helen Hayden	Qualified

Race	Candidate	Rating
Superior Court Office No. 27	Hon. Joanne Motoike	Exceptionally Well Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 27	Wayne Philips	Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 35	Jeff Ferguson	Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 35	Commissioner Carmen Luege	Qualified

The review of candidates was conducted by the Judiciary Committee of the OCBA, which is comprised of a diverse group of 34 attorneys, all in practice for at least 10 years. Each of the candidates was asked to complete a detailed questionnaire and to participate in a personal interview. The process for all of the candidates included independent review in order to reach the final rating. The Committee considers the character, temperament, professional aptitude, and experience of the candidates, without regard to political considerations. The OCBA does not endorse any candidate for election and provides this information as a public service.

About the Orange County Bar Association

Established in 1901, the Orange County Bar Association is one of the largest voluntary bar associations in California. The mission of the Orange County Bar Association is to enhance the system of justice, to support the lawyers who serve it and to assist the community served by it.

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