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

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., April 25, 2018 – As a public service to assist the voters in Orange County, the Orange County Bar Association (OCBA) has conducted a review of both candidates running for Superior Court Judge in the June 5 election. The OCBA considered each candidate for one of four possible ratings: “Exceptionally Well Qualified,” “Well Qualified,” “Qualified,” or “Not Qualified.”

OCBA RATINGS OF JUDICIAL CANDIDATES

Race	Candidate	Rating
Superior Court Office No. 13	Theodore Howard (incumbent)	Well Qualified
Superior Court Office No. 13	Franklin Dunn	Qualified

The OCBA’s Judiciary Committee conducted the review of candidates. The Committee comprises a diverse group of 35 attorneys, all in practice for at least 10 years. Both candidates were asked to complete a detailed questionnaire and to participate in personal interviews. The review process also included independent review of each candidate’s background and experience. The Committee considers, among other things, 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, with over 8,500 members, is one of the largest voluntary bars 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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