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Merced Superior Court Announces Selection of New Chief Probation Officer

Presiding Judge, Mark V. Bacciarini, Superior Court of California, County of Merced, announced the selection of Mr. Christopher Henn as Chief Probation Officer for Merced County. He will be replacing Ms. Kalisa Rochester, the incumbent Chief Probation Officer, who is retiring in November 2023.

Mr. Henn has most recently served as a Deputy Chief Probation Officer with assignments overseeing the Adult Field Services Division and the Superintendent/Deputy Chief of the Juvenile Division. Prior to the role of Deputy Chief, Mr. Henn was a Supervising Probation Officer assigned to various units including Adult Supervision, AB109 Criminal Justice Realignment, Juvenile Supervision, Juvenile Intake, and the Placement/Special Services.

With over 22 years of service in the Probation Department, Mr. Henn has a wealth of knowledge and experience that he brings to the Chief Probation Officer role.

Mr. Henn will be formally sworn in on November 3, 2023, at 2:00pm in the historic courtroom of the Merced Courthouse Museum. He will assume his new duties as Chief Probation Officer on November 6, 2023.

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