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Superior Court of California, County of Merced

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Merced Superior Court Announces Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge for 2026-2027

The Judges of the Merced Superior Court recently held their election in accordance with the Local Rules of Court to select a Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge.

The Honorable Paul C. Lo was re-elected as the Presiding Judge and the Honorable Jennifer O. Trimble as the Assistant Presiding Judge. Judge Lo and Judge Trimble will begin their new two-year terms on January 1, 2026.

The Presiding Judge has the authority and duties prescribed in the California Rules of Court. The Assistant Presiding Judge is assigned duties as the Presiding Juge deems necessary and acts as the Presiding Judge in his/her absence.

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