Santa Clara County Superior Court Welcomes Christine Garcia-Sen to the Bench

Elected to the Bench in March of 2020, Hon. Christine Garcia-Sen was sworn in on January 4, 2021

In a ceremony convened remotely by Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner on Monday, January 4, 2021, Hon. Christine Garcia-Sen was sworn in as a judicial officer to the Santa Clara County Superior Court by Judge Nahal Iravani-Sani. Judge Garcia-Sen was elected to the Bench in March of 2020 and begins her service for the people of Santa Clara County in this first week of the new year.

Born and raised in East San Jose, Judge Garcia-Sen has lived in Santa Clara County for the past three decades. She attended public schools and graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School and San Jose State University. She received her law degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco, where she was awarded the Moot Court Oral Advocacy Award.

Judge Garcia-Sen dedicated the last 25 years to service as a prosecutor with the Santa Clara County District Attorney’s Office. As a prosecutor, she represented the People of the State of California in over 100 trials, including 26 sexual assault trials. Additionally, she led a team of attorneys to prosecute white-collar crime, including securities and investment fraud, tax evasion, embezzlement, insurance fraud, and commercial bribery.

Judge Garcia-Sen is active in her community and has coached high school mock trial teams for almost a decade.

“Our Court proudly welcomes Judge Garcia-Sen to the Superior Court Bench. Providing fair, objective, and timely access to justice is an essential and crucial responsibility of the Judicial Branch of government. We are confident that Judge Garcia-Sen will capably and effectively further the Court’s core mission: serving the public by providing equal justice for all in a fair, accessible manner, and instilling public trust and confidence in the Court,” said Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner.

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