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## **Judge Stephen Manley Honored at NADCP Conference** *Judge Manley inducted into the Veterans Treatment Court Hall of Fame*

SAN JOSÉ, California (July 28, 2017): On July 12, Justice For Vets inducted Santa Clara Veterans Treatment Court Judge Stephen Manley into the Veterans Treatment Court Hall of Fame during the closing ceremony of the NADCP Annual Training Conference in National Harbor, Maryland. Each year, Justice For Vets recognizes leaders of the veterans treatment court community and enshrines them in the Veterans Treatment Court Hall of Fame. This honor is reserved for those who have made unique, enduring contributions to veterans and the rapidly growing veteran's treatment court movement.

During the induction, NADCP Board Chair Judge Michael Barrasse stated, "In 2008, Judge Manley founded the Santa Clara Veterans Treatment Court making it one of the first programs in the country. Under his leadership, the Santa Clara Veterans Treatment Court became one of the first recognized national mentor courts, helping to establish a network of veterans treatment court programs throughout California and providing guidance to courts throughout the United States." As one of the largest veterans treatment courts in operation, the Santa Clara Veterans Treatment Court has helped thousands of justice-involved veterans receive the treatment and benefits they have earned and restored them to health, purpose, and service.

Judge Manley was instrumental in the development of the first Veterans Treatment Court Planning Initiative curriculum, which has influenced hundreds of court programs in operation today. As a member of the NADCP Board of Directors and Chairman of Legislative Committee, Judge Manley has worked tirelessly for over a decade to ensure drug courts and more recently veterans treatment courts garnered strong bi-partisan Congressional support. Veterans Treatment Courts nationwide have benefited from his leadership at the local, state, and national level.

The Superior Court of Santa Clara and Justice For Vets congratulates Judge Stephen Manley on this tremendous honor.

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