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SAN BERNARDINO, CA— On December 13, 2024, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of Christopher Hayes to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino Superior Court (SBSC).

The Governor's office released the following statements:

Christopher Hayes, of Los Angeles County, has been appointed to serve as a Judge in the San Bernardino County Superior Court. Hayes has served as a Senior Appellate Court Attorney at the Fourth District Court of Appeal since 2015. He served as Counsel at Boies, Schiller & Flexner from 2011 to 2014 and an Associate at Boies, Schiller & Flexner from 2004 to 2010. Hayes served as a Judicial Law Clerk in the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit from 2003 to 2004. He was a Judicial Law Clerk for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana from 2002 to 2003. Hayes earned a Juris Doctor degree from Duke University School of Law. He fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Teresa M. Bennett.

"We welcome Christopher Hayes to the San Bernardino Superior Court Bench. As San Bernardino continues to be the most underjudged court in the state, we appreciate this appointment," said Presiding Judge Lisa M. Rogan.

SBSC has five judicial vacancies and an assessed overall need of 27 additional judicial officers. Fulfilling this need is critical to restoring public confidence in the judicial system and expanding access to justice.

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