

# Superior Court of California County of Santa Clara



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## Honorable Elizabeth C. Peterson Sworn in as Judge of Santa Clara County

SAN JOSÉ, California (March 9, 2017): The Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara is very pleased to announce that Hon. Elizabeth C. Peterson was sworn in as a Judge of the Superior Court of Santa Clara County on Wednesday, February 22, 2017.

Judge Peterson was a partner at Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich and Rosati PC from 2008 to 2017. She was of counsel at Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer and Feld LLP from 2007 to 2008, where she was an associate from 1997 to 2002. During her time in private practice at these firms, Judge Peterson's practice focused on complex securities litigation, internal and government investigations, and criminal defense matters. In between these positions, Judge Peterson served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney at the U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Minnesota, from 2002 to 2007. She earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Michigan Law School and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Smith College.

"We are so proud to welcome someone as accomplished as Judge Peterson to the bench; her breadth of experience and history of both public and private service will guide her well as our newest Judicial Officer," said Presiding Judge Patricia Lucas.

Judge Peterson will begin her appointment hearing misdemeanor cases in Department 52 at the Hall of Justice in San José.

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