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Contra Costa Superior Court Appoints J. Yamamoto as Commissioner

The Court is very pleased to announce the appointment of J. Yamamoto as Commissioner. Commissioner Yamamoto will assume her role on August 7, 2023. She will preside in Department 57, handling unlawful detainers, domestic violence and civil harassment restraining orders, small claims, and civil discovery/sanctions motions at the Martinez courthouse.

Commissioner Yamamoto comes to the Court following many years of experience in contract, labor law and probate/estate matters as a solo practitioner. She has served as a Pro Tem Judge in the Court's temporary judge program for the last 3 years handling many of the same cases she will oversee as Commissioner. Commissioner Yamamoto has been an adjunct professor for 25 years teaching contract law and accounting. She has also worked as pro bono senior counsel for 15 years conducting seminars and providing legal advice on probate/estate and elder law issues.

Commissioner Yamamoto earned her Juris Doctor degree from Taft University and her Master's in Business Administration and Bachelor of Science degrees from San Francisco State University.

Commissioner Yamamoto replaces Judge Gina Dashman following her appointment to the bench.

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