

## Judicial Advisors

Honorable Joseph Wiseman, Tule River Tribal Court  
 Hon Dean Stout, Bishop Paiute Tribal Court  
 Honorable Leonard Edwards, (Ret), Mentor, Consultant  
 Honorable Juan Ulloa, (Ret) Superior Court of Imperial County  
 Honorable Anita Fineday, White Earth, Casey Family Programs  
 Honorable Brett Lee Shelton, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Hoopa Valley Court of Appeals  
 Hon Sheldon Spotted Elk, Northern Cheyenne, Ute Indian Tribe Court of Appeals  
 Honorable Lawrence King, Morongo Band of Mission Indians Tribal Court

### *Honored Guests*

Honorable Brian Arax Superior Court of Fresno County  
 Honorable Mary Dolas, Superior Court of Fresno County  
 Honorable Susan Gill, Superior Court of Kern County  
 Honorable Annette Rees, Superior Court of Stanislaus  
 Honorable Stephen Place, Superior Court of Inyo County

### *With Representatives from*

*Big Sandy Rancheria*  
*Bishop Paiute Tribe*  
*Choinumni Tribe*  
*Cold Springs Rancheria of Mono Indians*  
*Dunlap Mono Tribe*  
*North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians*  
*Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians*  
*Santa Rosa Rancheria*  
*Southern Sierra Miwuk*  
*Tejon Indian Tribe*  
*Wuksachi Tribe*  
*Wukchumni Tribe*

### *With Support from the Tribal Justice Collaborative Judiciary*

Honorable Abby Abinanti, Yurok, Chief Judge, Yurok Tribal Court  
 Honorable Richard Blake, Hoopa Tribe, Chief Judge Hoopa Tribal Court  
 Honorable Kevin Briscoe, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, MBCI Supreme Court  
 Honorable Ana Espana, San Diego Superior Court, Juvenile  
 Honorable Cheryl Fairbanks, Tlingit & Haida Indians of Alaska Central Council Appellate Court  
 Honorable Aurora Lehr, Tlingit & Haida Indians of Alaska Central Council Appellate Court  
 Honorable Devon Lomayeva, Intertribal Court of Southern California  
 Honorable Anne McKeig, Minnesota Judicial Center Supreme Court  
 Honorable Sunshine Sykes, United States District Court, Central District of California  
 Honorable Bill Thorne, (Ret) Pomo/Coast Miwok, Utah Court of Appeals  
 Honorable David Katz, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges



# The Inaugural Judges' Dinner For Central California



October 28, 2022





Pre-recorded Partner Updates  
 Tribal Justice Collaborative  
 Central California Training Academy  
 Child & Family Policy Institute of California  
 Project SERVE  
 California Dept. of Social Services  
 Statewide ICWA Plan  
 Court Improvement, Children's Bureau  
 Office of Youth and Community Restoration  
 ICWA Courts  
 Overview of Central Regional Partnership  
 Circle V Project



**Event Schedule**

3pm - 4pm  
 Meet & Greet

4pm - 5pm  
 Reception

Unsealing pre-ICWA Adoption Records in the Central Region (*Fineday, Kaster*)  
 History and purpose of the Judges' Dinners (*Orrantia, Ulloa*)  
 Timeline of Justice Advocacy in the Central Region (*Alexander*)

Dinner Program  
 5pm - 8pm

Welcome  
 Opening Blessing  
 Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians  
 Assemblyman James Ramos  
 Hon Joseph Wiseman & The Judiciary

Updates  
 Spirit of ICWA (*Southern Sierra Miwuk*)  
 California Tribal Families Coalition (*Martinez*)

Judicial Report and Initiatives  
 Indigenizing child welfare decision making (*Shelton/Lujan*)  
 Appellate Decisions and Active Efforts (*Edwards, Wiseman*)  
 Brackeen v Haaland (*Edwards, Wiseman, Castagne*)

Q & A

Dinner Break

Honoring Champions

Federal ICWA Compliance HR 8954 (*Representative Chu*)

Maintaining Momentum (*Lopez*)

Closing Blessing

