



# SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO

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### **Yolo Superior Court new APJ**

The Judges of Yolo Superior Court have elected Judge Tom M. Dyer to serve as Assistant Presiding Judge. Judge Dyer will finish the term left vacant by departing Judge Peter M. Williams. Since his appointment to the Yolo Superior Court bench in 2019 by Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr., Judge Dyer has presided over the Family Law, Criminal, Juvenile and Arraignment Departments. He is currently assigned to a criminal department.

As Assistant Presiding Judge, Judge Dyer will be assigned duties as the Presiding Judge Daniel P. Maguire deems necessary and will act as Presiding Judge in his absence. In collaboration with the Court Executive Officer, the Presiding Judge leads the court, establishes policies, allocates resources to promote public access to justice, promotes efficiency in court operations and service to the public. The Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge assist in the administration of the court in addition to their regular judicial duties in the courtroom.

“I’m grateful for the opportunity to serve as Assistant Presiding Judge. The community deserves a court that ably and efficiently handles disputes that come before it. I look forward to having a leadership role in that effort.” Judge Dyer stated.

Judge Dyer served as Chief Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary in the Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. from 2015 through 2018. He served as Legislative Director at the California Department of Finance from 2012 to 2015 and at the California Department of Personnel Administration from 2010 to 2012. Judge Dyer served as Staff Counsel at the California Department of Social Services in 2009, Labor Relations Counsel at the California Department of Personnel Administration from 2006-2008 and Enforcement Counsel at the California Fair Political Practices Commission in 2006. From 2003-2005, he served as a Deputy District Attorney at the Sutter County District Attorney's Office.

Judge Dyer earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of California, Davis School of Law and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of California, Davis.