



Chambers of  
**CLAUDIA SILBAR**  
JUDGE

# Superior Court of California County of Orange

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June 03, 2022

Dear Applicant:

On behalf of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange I want to thank you for your interest in the Temporary Judge Program. The Court's Temporary Judge Program is extremely instrumental to the Court in achieving its goal of providing the public fair and expedient justice in our county.

We are seeking a limited number of highly qualified attorneys to serve as temporary judges. The Temporary Judge Committee will be selecting the Temporary Judge panel for a three-year period, beginning fiscal year July 01, 2023 – June 30, 2026, based on the following qualifications and criteria:

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

- Must have 10 years in practice
- Must be presently active in the practice of law
- Must agree to complete a daylong training session in late spring/early summer 2023, lasting at least six hours, covering Ethics, Bench Demeanor, and Elimination of Bias. This training qualifies for MCLE credit. (A \$25.00 fee will be charged to defray the cost of training and an annual appreciation event.)
- Must agree to complete online or in-person training of at least 3 to 5 hours for each substantive area in which the temporary judge will preside
- For new applicants interested in handling traffic arraignment, unlawful detainers or civil harassment– in addition to online or in-person training, applicants must sit in on a calendar and attend additional specialized training
- Must be willing to serve at least four times a year as a temporary judge for the next three years
- Must sign a written acknowledgement of receipt of the Temporary Judge Policy and promise to adhere to the Judicial Conduct guidelines, including not using the title of Temporary Judge for any personal gain. This includes the use of such title in advertisements, political advertisements, campaign websites, and social media.

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- If serving more than 30 days of 4 hours each day in a calendar year, must fill out a Form 700 Disclosure (Fair Political Practices Act Form)

**Selection Criteria:**

- Number of years in practice of law
- Reputation in legal community (particularly among the Orange County bench)
- Prior experience and training in area in which the applicant is willing to serve
- Prior active and competent service as a Temporary Judge
- The responses to the hypothetical questions in the Temporary Judge application
- Recommendation(s) of Supervising Judge(s)
- State Bar record; no history of prior disciplinary action

The application deadline is December 30, 2022. Late applications will not be considered. Again, thank you for your interest in our Temporary Judge Program.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Claudia Silbar". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Judge Claudia Silbar,  
Chair, Temporary Judge Committee