CARMEN R. LUEGE
Superior Court Judge

Appointment: Appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 25, 2021

Assignments: Unlimited Civil Division: November 2024 – present.
Family Law Division: October 2021 – October 2024

Employment History: Superior Court Commissioner, Orange County Superior Court (2009 – 2021). Assigned to the Civil Panel 2011through 2021, conducting bench and jury trials and presiding over the law and motion calendar for limited and unlimited unlawful detainer cases. Assigned to the Criminal Panel 2009 through 2011, conducting criminal arraignments, sentencing hearings, probation violation hearings, and traffic court hearings.

Assistant United States Attorney with the U.S. Attorney's Office (1992 -2009). Appointed Senior Litigation Counsel in 1999. Supervised and coordinated multi-agency criminal investigations; conducted legal training for prosecutors and law enforcement agents; lead trial counsel in complex federal jury trials; and represented the government before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Litigation Associate with O'Melveny & Myers, LA Office (1984 – 1990) Represented clients in all phases of a business litigation practice.

Education: UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW, Los Angeles, California
Juris Doctor Degree, 1984

LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY, Los Angeles, California
Bachelor of Arts Degree, English/Sociology, *Cum Laude*, 1981

Bar Admission: Admitted in the State of California, 1984
Admitted in the U.S. District Court for the Central District, 1984
Admitted in the United States Supreme Court, 1989
Admitted in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 1992

Activities: Member of the California Judges Association
Member of the California Latino Judges Association
Member of the Orange County Association of Affinity Judicial Officers
Member of the Superior Court Judicial Outreach Committee
Member of the Superior Court Mediation Committee
Member of the Superior Court Civil Judicial Working Group
Mock Trial Competition Judge, Constitutional Rights Foundation