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El Dorado County Superior Court Announces Retirement of Court Executive Officer Tania Ugrin-Capobianco

Placerville, CA, December 9, 2021:

El Dorado County Superior Court announces the retirement of Court Executive Officer Tania Ugrin-Capobianco effective February 1, 2022, after nearly 29 years of service with the judicial branch. Ms. Ugrin-Capobianco is one of the longest serving Court Executive Officers in California. Beginning her judicial branch career in 1993, she was appointed the Chief Administrator for the Mt. Sanhedrin Municipal Court. In 1997, she was appointed the Court Executive Officer, and oversaw the unification of the superior and municipal courts into the Mendocino County Superior Court in 1998. In 2007, she was appointed as the Court Executive Officer of the El Dorado County Superior Court, and has served with a focus on achieving its mission:

"To preserve and enhance the rule of law in El Dorado County by providing all persons a fair, efficient, and accessible forum for resolving disputes, protecting public safety, and righting wrongs." (See https://eldorado.courts.ca.gov/)

During her tenure, Ms. Ugrin-Capobianco has served on numerous committees, workgroups, and commissions and has collaborated with justice partners to improve California's judicial branch and the administration of justice. Most notably, she has served as Chair of the Judicial Branch Workers' Compensation Program Advisory Committee since 2014. From its inception, this advisory committee has made great strides to build a program aimed at meeting the needs of California's judiciary, while virtually eliminating its fiscal deficit. Additionally, she has mentored and trained many others while serving as faculty on various executive level committees and for the Institute for Court Management of the National Center for State Courts. Through this body of work, she has applied her collective knowledge and experience to effectuate programmatic, fiscal, policy, and procedural improvements on a statewide and local level.

Guided by her commitment to good stewardship of public funds, effective and efficient use of resources, and accountability to the public, Ms. Ugrin-Capobianco has been a leader within California's trial courts. In her respective roles, she has shown her dedication to the judicial branch, its purpose and mission, and to those responsible for fulfilling the trial court system's constitutional requirements by seeking opportunities to make a positive difference. Her legacy of work speaks for itself and will continue to benefit the community and public served in El Dorado County as well as throughout California's judicial branch.

Presiding Judge Suzanne N. Kingsbury, commented, "Ms. Ugrin-Capobianco's long tenure with the El Dorado Superior Court as the Court Executive Officer, coupled with my lengthy service as the Presiding Judge, has enabled the Court to withstand budget shortfalls and other challenges while maintaining a high level of service to court users. Her vision and leadership have moved the Court forward resulting in significant operational improvements."

Ms. Ugrin-Capobianco will take a vacation from December 13, 2021, to January 31, 2022, and will retire effective February 1, 2022. Shelby Wineinger, who has served as the Assistant Court Executive Officer of the El Dorado County Superior Court since 2019, has been appointed to serve as the Interim Court Executive Officer beginning December 13, 2021.

For more information, please visit the Court's website at https://eldorado.courts.ca.gov/.