



## **Superior Court of California County of El Dorado**

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### **El Dorado County Superior Court New Judicial Officer Appointed**

**Placerville, CA, January 28, 2022:**

On November 10, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of Lauren C. Bowers to serve as Judge in the El Dorado County Superior Court. Sworn in to the bench on December 20, 2021, Judge Bowers will begin her assignment in Department 5 on [January 31, 2022](#) where she will preside over family law matters.

Prior to her appointment, Judge Bowers was employed with the El Dorado County Office of the County Counsel. During her eight (8)-year tenure as a Deputy County Counsel, she practiced in South Lake Tahoe, handling juvenile dependency, Public Guardian, and Animal Services matters as well as writing responsive briefs for juvenile dependency appeals and writs. These appellate briefs were filed in the California Third District Court of Appeal and the California Supreme Court.

Prior to her time with El Dorado County Office of the County Counsel, Judge Bowers was employed for eight (8) years by the Law Offices of Dale Wilson. There, she represented indigent parents in juvenile dependency proceedings. In her time there, she quickly moved up through the ranks to become one of the lead attorneys at Parent Advocates of Sacramento.

Throughout her time as an attorney, Judge Bowers has provided training to Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), in both El Dorado and Sacramento counties. She also served as co-chair for the Spring 2021 statewide County Counsel child welfare training, presenting on the topic of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act and the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children.

In 2004, Judge Bowers earned her Juris Doctor from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. While at McGeorge, Judge Bowers served as an Assistant Comment Editor for the Transnational Lawyer. She was a campus ambassador, liaising

between prospective students and the McGeorge community. During her final year of law school, Judge Bowers interned with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, where she worked as a law clerk in the Juvenile Division.

After law school, she worked as a graduate recruiter for McGeorge. In 2007, she returned to the McGeorge classroom as an adjunct professor, teaching Practical and Persuasive Legal Writing.

Judge Bowers graduated from California State University, Stanislaus, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a minor in History. While attending Stanislaus State, she sat on the University Student Union Board of Directors, served on a variety of committees, and acted as a resident advisor.

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