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Statement Regarding Naming New Courthouse

Sacramento, CA – The Judicial Council of California Justice today voted unanimously to name the new Sacramento County courthouse after former Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye.

Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye served on the Sacramento County bench for 15 years – from 1990 to 1997 at the Sacramento Municipal Court and from 1997 to 2005 at Sacramento Superior Court. In 2005, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger appointed her to the Third District Court of Appeal and nominated her as the 28th Chief Justice of California in 2010.

The Honorable Michael G. Bowman made the following statement in response to today's decision:

"Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye has deep roots in Sacramento and served the local community as a respected jurist on the Sacramento County bench for more than a decade. Her unwavering commitment to justice is an indelible legacy."

Work on the new trial courthouse in downtown Sacramento is anticipated to be complete in summer 2024. When finished, the 566,895-square-foot, 18-story building will operate 53 courtrooms.

Sacramento Superior Court Presiding Judge Michael G. Bowman was appointed to the bench by Gov.Jerry Brown in 2013.