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HEARING SCHEDULED AND SPECIAL MASTERS APPOINTED IN
MATTER CONCERNING JUDGE GARY G. KREEP

On October 14, 2016, the Commission on Judicial Performance announced it had instituted formal proceedings to inquire into matters concerning Judge Gary G. Kreed, a judge of the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego. The hearing has been scheduled to begin on Monday, February 6, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the courtroom of the California Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, 750 B Street, in San Diego, California. The hearing will be open to the public.

Under the rules that govern commission proceedings, the hearing will be conducted by special masters appointed by the Supreme Court: Honorable Dennis A. Cornell, Ret., Court of Appeal, Fifth Appellate District; Honorable Louis R. Mauro, Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District; Honorable Randy Rhodes, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

At the hearing, the parties will have an opportunity to introduce evidence and examine and cross-examine witnesses. Commission Trial Counsel Mark A. Lizarraga and Assistant Trial Counsel Sei Shimoguchi will serve as Examiners for the commission. Judge Kreed is represented by Attorneys James A. Murphy and Janet L. Everson of Murphy Pearson Bradley and Feeney, San Francisco.

Following completion of the hearing, the special masters will provide the commission with a report containing their findings with respect to the charges. The parties will have an opportunity to respond to the report through briefing and argument before the commission. If the commission determines that the charges are proved by clear and convincing evidence, it is empowered to impose discipline as provided in the California Constitution. Charges that the commission determines are not proved will be dismissed.

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The commission is composed of three judges, two lawyers, and six public members. The chairperson is Anthony P. Capozzi, Esq.

For further information about the Commission on Judicial Performance, see the commission's website at <http://cjp.ca.gov>.