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COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE ISSUES PUBLIC ADMONISHMENT OF JUDGE DAVIANN L. MITCHELL

The Commission on Judicial Performance has publicly admonished Judge Daviann L. Mitchell of Los Angeles County Superior Court.

The commission determined that it should publicly admonish Judge Mitchell for entering the chambers of other judges without permission, after court hours, and for the improper purpose of obtaining information to which she was not entitled. The commission determined that Judge Mitchell's conduct was a serious breach of the expected trust shared among judicial colleagues and entirely at odds with the behavior expected of judges. In addition, in a criminal case, Judge Mitchell made improper remarks to the defendant while discussing a potential plea agreement. Judge Mitchell's misconduct was aggravated by prior discipline.

The public admonishment is available on the commission's website at https://cjp.ca.gov (under "Pending Cases – Press Releases & Documents" and "Public Discipline & Decisions"). Judge Mitchell is represented by Heather L. Rosing, Esq. and Christine C. Rosskopf, Esq. of Rosing Pott & Strohbehn of San Diego.

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The commission is composed of six public members, three judges and two lawyers. The chairperson is Dr. Michael A. Moodian. Commission member Ms. Beatriz E. Tapia was recused in this matter. One public member position was vacant.

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