Superior Court of California, Kings County

Invites Attorneys to apply to serve as Temporary Judges

The Superior Court of California, Kings County is adding attorneys to its pool of temporary judges. It encourages you to consider applying.

Temporary judges are used at the discretion of the Presiding Judge when the court needs judicial assistance that it cannot provide using its full-time judicial officers.¹

Temporary judges most often hear small claims and traffic matters. They may also preside over other types of cases, such as: unlawful detainers, civil discovery and settlements, family law, domestic violence, probate, civil harassment and juvenile delinquency and dependency.

To become a temporary judge you must have been admitted to practice as a member of the State Bar of California for at least ten years (or at least five years for an appointment with good cause).²

The conditions for appointment are found in Rule 2.812(b) of the California Rules of Court, and the education and training requirements are found in Rule 2.812(c).

Please visit this link for information on all online training: www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/protem/

The court seeks to maximize the potential for a diverse applicant pool. It encourages each and every eligible individual to apply to be a temporary judge regardless of his or her gender, race, ethnicity, disability, religion, sexual orientation, age or other protected class.³ Among the qualifications that the court will consider in the selection process is an applicant's exposure to and experience with diverse populations and issues related to those populations.

If you have any questions, please contact the court's Executive Office at (559) 582-1010, ext. 6002.

¹ Rule of Court 2.811(a)

² Rule of Court 2.812(a)

³ Rule of Court 10.741(c)