## **BIOGRAPHY OF**

## DIANE M. GOODMAN

Judge Diane M. Goodman was appointed by Governor Newsom to the Los Angeles Superior Court on December 23, 2022. She was sworn in as a judge on February 25, 2023 and is currently sitting in a family law assignment at the Michael Antonovich Antelope Valley Courthouse.

Prior to becoming a judge, Diane M. Goodman was the owner of the Law and Mediation Office of Diane M. Goodman in Encino. She is a past member of the California State Bar Family Law Executive Committee (FLEXCOM) and the past chair of the adoption subcommittee of FLEXCOM. She was also a fellow in and a Past President of the Academy of California Adoption Lawyers/Academy of California Family Formation Lawyers.

Judge Goodman was an A-V rated attorney by Martindale-Hubbell. Dr. Goodman was also selected as a Super Lawyer by Los Angeles magazine for 2009 through 2023. Judge Goodman is the author of the parentage chapter of Practice Under the California Family Code published by CEB. As a lawyer, Judge Goodman has handled many complex parentage issues including acting as co-counsel in a California Supreme Court decision regarding the rights of lesbian parents.

She received her J.D. from the University of La Verne, School of Law in 1984. She received her MA (2014) and PhD (2018) in Depth Psychology from Pacifica Graduate Institute.

Judge Goodman is a frequent lecturer and speaker at Bar Associations and Community organizations. She has taught CEB classes and other continuing education classes on various family law issues including child custody, domestic partnership, parentage and same sex marriage.