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Commission on Judicial Appointments to Consider Appointment to Court of Appeal

Confirmation Hearing Set April 5 in Los Angeles

San Francisco—A public meeting has been scheduled by the Commission on Judicial Appointments for Monday, April 5, 2010, at 2:00 p.m., in the Supreme Court Courtroom, Ronald Reagan State Office Building, 300 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, to consider the appointment by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger of Judge Elizabeth A. Grimes, of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, as Associate Justice of the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division Eight (Los Angeles.)

If confirmed, Judge Grimes will fill the vacancy created by the confirmation of Associate Justice Tricia Ann Bigelow as Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division Eight (Los Angeles) at a public hearing on February 8, 2010.

The state Constitution specifies that a gubernatorial appointment to the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeal is “effective when confirmed by the Commission on Judicial Appointments.” The members of the commission who will consider the appointment are Chief Justice Ronald M. George, Chair; Attorney General Edmund G. Brown, Jr.; and Presiding Justice Joan Dempsey Klein, senior presiding justice of the Second Appellate District.

All communications to the commission by persons who wish to comment on the appointment should be received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 29, 2010.

The commission’s address is:

Commission on Judicial Appointments
c/o Chief Justice of California
Supreme Court of California
350 McAllister Street

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San Francisco, California 94102
Attention: Secretary to the Commission

Anyone wishing to testify before the commission must state that request in writing and include a summary of the facts on which any testimony or opinion will be based. A request to be included on the speakers' list must be received by the commission by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 29, 2010.

The guidelines for the Commission on Judicial Appointments are published as an appendix to the California Rules of Court and are available on the California Courts Web site at <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/reference/documents/guidelinescja.pdf>.

The guidelines also can be obtained by calling the Public Information Officer of the Judicial Council/California Supreme Court at 415-865-7726/7740.

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