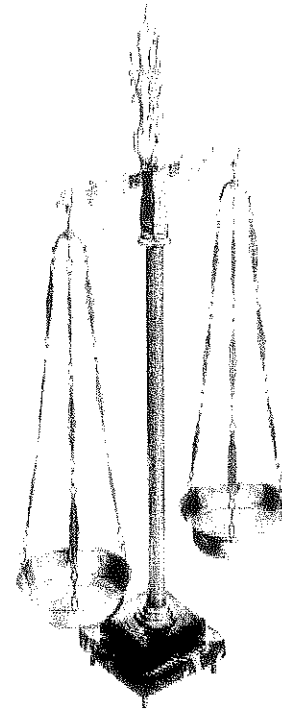


*The 2011
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**JUDICIAL COUNCIL
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS**

**BENJAMIN ARANDA III
ACCESS TO JUSTICE AWARD**

Monday, December 12, 2011
4:00–5:30 p.m.
Milton Marks Auditorium
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California



AWARDS PROGRAM

WELCOME

Mr. Ronald G. Overholt, Interim Administrative Director of the Courts
Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye, Chief Justice of California and Chair of the Judicial Council

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RONALD M. GEORGE AWARD FOR JUDICIAL EXCELLENCE

WILLIAM C. VICKREY LEADERSHIP IN JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION AWARD

BERNARD E. WITKIN AMICUS CURIAE AWARD

STANLEY MOSK DEFENDER OF JUSTICE AWARD

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This year, the inaugural **Richard D. Huffman Justice for Children and Families Award** will be presented on December 14 at a separate event in conjunction with Beyond the Bench. This award honors individuals for outstanding contributions to improving access to justice for children and families. The recipients this year are:

Hon. Richard D. Huffman
Associate Justice

Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District

Mr. William C. Vickrey (Ret.)

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RONALD M. GEORGE AWARD FOR JUDICIAL EXCELLENCE

Honors members of the judiciary for their extraordinary dedication to the highest principles of the administration of justice.

Hon. Brad R. Hill Administrative Presiding Justice Court of Appeal, Fifth Appellate District	Hon. Ronald B. Robie Associate Justice Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District
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WILLIAM C. VICKREY LEADERSHIP IN JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION AWARD

Honors individuals in judicial administration for significant contributions to and leadership in their profession.

Mr. Michael D. Planet
Court Executive Officer
Superior Court of California, County of Ventura

BERNARD E. WITKIN AMICUS CURIAE AWARD

Honors individuals other than members of the judiciary for their outstanding contributions to the courts of California.

Mr. Joseph W. Cotchett
Attorney at Law

STANLEY MOSK DEFENDER OF JUSTICE AWARD

Honors individuals from federal, state, and local government for significant contributions to advancing equal access to fair and consistent justice in California.

Hon. Noreen Evans
Senator

STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS/ CALIFORNIA JUDGES ASSOCIATION

BENJAMIN ARANDA III ACCESS TO JUSTICE AWARD

Honors members of the judiciary who have demonstrated a long-term commitment to equal access to our courts and done significant work in improving access to our courts for low- and moderate-income Californians.

Hon. Maria P. Rivera
Associate Justice
Court of Appeal, First Appellate District