KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

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CLERK'S ALERT

King County Superior Court Leadership Changes for 2024

Effective January 1, 2024, several court leadership changes went into effect:

Presiding Judge – Judge Ketu Shah Assistant Presiding – Judge Averil Rothrock Chief Unified Family Court – Judge Aimée Sutton Chief Maleng Regional Justice Center – Judge Johanna Bender Chief Civil – Judge Michael R. Scott Chief Clark Children & Family Justice Center – Judge Veronica Galván Chief Criminal – Judge Melinda J. Young Assistant Chief Criminal – Judge David Keenan

Other changes of note: The Drug Court calendars will be heard by Judge John McHale in Seattle and in Kent. Judge Karen Donohue and Commissioner Hollis Holman will hear the Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) calendar. Judge Janet Helson will continue as the Lead Dependency Judge.

Many other judges are changing assignment, court location and/or courtroom. Those moves were effective January 16, 2024.



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