

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of recognizing the contributions of Jill Henderson
on her 20 years of service to Contra Costa County

Resolution No. 2018/212

WHEREAS In 1998, Jill Henderson began work as a Deputy District Attorney after graduating from the Boalt Hall School of Law at UC Berkeley in 1993 with an emphasis in criminal trial practice;

WHEREAS Jill commenced her career in the misdemeanor unit conducting jury trials, responding to motions and learning all aspects of prosecution and prevailed in several difficult vehicular manslaughter cases;

WHEREAS Jill quickly elevated to the felony level and started with preliminary hearings in the Richmond branch office then transferred to the felony team in Martinez where she tirelessly fought for justice in over 100 jury trials; Most notably during this assignment, Jill prosecuted a string of multi defendant convenience store robberies, the so called "Masked Bandits" that even earned her praise from one opposing counsel;

WHEREAS Jill worked in virtually every unit in the office and took a special interest in improving methods for victim restitution, earning recognition by the victim advocates for her work in this area;

WHEREAS Jill developed a special community prosecution program in collaboration with the Concord Police Department and the California Department of Justice to address blight in the Monument Boulevard corridor in the City of Concord by partnering with residents to tackle low level, chronic quality of life crime;

WHEREAS Jill completed a tour in the Homicide Unit where she successfully prosecuted murders and gang murders, securing several life without the possibility of parole sentences in special circumstances cases;

WHEREAS Jill continues to serve Contra Costa County as the Elder Abuse prosecutor and Unit Supervisor where she has engaged in novel and aggressive prosecution to hold those accountable who abuse and neglect our elders and dependents; she has shared her expertise by conducting trainings with partnering agencies, representing the District Attorney's office on the multidisciplinary team, and engaging in community outreach to educate the public on how best to protect our most vulnerable citizens;

WHEREAS Jill supports the education of new attorneys in the office by teaching Opening Statements at the New Prosecutors Training, and she is the resident expert for the entire office on Mental Health trial issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS BY THE BOARD RESOLVED, that Jill Henderson be recognized for 20 years of service to Contra Costa County and for the high quality of work performed by her during her career.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 26th day of June, 2018.


KAREN MITCHOFF

Chair,
District IV Supervisor


JOHN GIOIA

District I Supervisor


DIANE BURGIS

District III Supervisor



CANDACE ANDERSEN
District II Supervisor



FEDERAL D. GLOVER
District V Supervisor



I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown:

ATTESTED: June 26, 2018

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By  Deputy