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JUDGE ROBERT C. FRACCHIA RECEIVES JUDGE OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Superior Court of Solano County is proud to announce that the Honorable Robert C. Fracchia is the recipient of the 2010 Child Abuse Prevention Council Judge of Year Award. The Awards Ceremony, honoring excellence in child abuse prevention, intervention, prosecution and treatment, will be held on Thursday, October 28, 2010, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel on Holiday Lane in Fairfield.

Solano County District 2 Supervisor Linda J. Seifert, who nominated Judge Fracchia, praised him for being "a tireless advocate for children and youth and he annually teaches a continuing education program on foster youth and court procedures for volunteers of the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Solano County (CASA)." Earlier this year, Judge Fracchia was received CASA's prestigious J. Paul Coan Award.

Judge Fracchia currently serves as the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge, and in that capacity, supervises all juvenile courts and court-related services to the youth of Solano County. Among his many accomplishments, during the past year, Judge Fracchia facilitated the establishment of a model interagency agreement with Solano County's Probation Department and the Department of Health and Social Services, Children's Mental Health and Child Dependency Services to meet the needs of developmentally disabled and mentally ill juvenile offenders. "This interagency agreement," noted Supervisor Seifert, "has served as a catalyst to bring all service providers together to address the service needs of the most complicated juvenile offenders."

Judge Fracchia also serves as faculty of the State's New Judge Orientation Program and teaches courses in Fairness, Ethics and Bias to temporary judges serving in Solano, Napa and Contra Costa counties.

After hearing that he was selected to receive this Award, Judge Fracchia commented, "I am deeply honored to be nominated and receive this award, but it is really a measure of how deeply committed the Solano County Superior Court is to meeting the needs of children here in Solano County. All of our efforts recognize we must protect the most vulnerable members of our community from abuse and neglect at every stage in the justice process".