

BIO

HON. CURTIS A. KIN **California Superior Court**

Judge Curtis A. Kin presides over criminal matters for the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County and sits in the Pasadena courthouse. He serves on the Criminal Law Curriculum Committee for the California Judicial Council's Center for Judicial Education and Research and provides training and education to judicial officers throughout the state on various criminal law-related topics.

Prior to his appointment to the bench by Governor Brown in 2013, Judge Kin was an Assistant United States Attorney for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles, where he served as, among other things, Chief of Criminal Appeals, Chief of General Crimes, Chief of Criminal Complaints, and Chief of Domestic Security. As a federal prosecutor, Judge Kin prosecuted the largest international human sex trafficking case ever successfully tried to verdict by the U.S. Department of Justice and received the U.S. Attorney General's Award and the Department of Homeland Security Secretary's Award for Team Excellence. During his over 13 years as an AUSA, he supervised and trained nearly 100 federal prosecutors in his office and regularly provided training to other prosecutors and law enforcement agents throughout the country.

Judge Kin was also a litigation associate at Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP in New York and served as a law clerk to the Hon. Sonia Sotomayor on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Hon. Jed S. Rakoff (U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y). He graduated with honors from Stanford Law School and was Senior Editor on the Managing Board for the *Stanford Law Review*. Judge Kin has been an adjunct professor of law at the USC Gould School of Law in criminal procedure and at Pepperdine Law School in trial practice skills since 2003.