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# CLERK'S ALERT

## King County Superior Court Leadership Changes for 2022

Effective January 1, 2022, several court leadership changes go into effect:

Presiding Judge – Judge Patrick Oishi  
Assistant Presiding – Judge Mary Roberts  
Chief Unified Family Court – Judge Sean O'Donnell  
Chief Regional Justice Center – Judge Ketu Shah  
Chief Civil – Judge Tanya Thorp (effective January 18, 2022)  
Chief Juvenile – Judge Averil Rothrock  
Chief Criminal – Judge Karen Donohue (continues in this role)  
Assistant Chief Criminal – Judge Johanna Bender

Other changes of note: The Drug Court calendars will be heard by Judge Mary Roberts in Seattle and Judge Julia Garratt in Kent. Judges John McHale and Susan Amini will continue to hear the Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) calendar. Judge Marshall Ferguson will continue as the Lead Dependency Judge and Judge Cindi Port (SEA) and Pro Tem Commissioner Shannon Gould (KNT) will hear the Dependency calendars.

Many other judges are changing assignment, court location and/or courtroom. Those moves are effective January 18, 2022.