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The Court will be closed
Wednesday, June 19, 2024
for Juneteenth



Juneteenth derives its name from June 19, 1865, the day that U.S. General Gordon Granger informed the enslaved individuals of Galveston, Texas, that they were officially free. Issued two and a half years after President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, Granger's decree marked the end of slavery in the rebellious Confederate states.

In 2023, Chief Justice Guerrero commemorated the first Juneteenth holiday with these comments: "Our judicial branch honors this monumental day in our history, reminding us of the long struggle to freedom for Black Americans. To honor that struggle and our commitment to equal treatment under the law, we reaffirm access, fairness, diversity, and inclusion as foundational goals for our court system. We celebrate California's diversity as a strength and our progress toward a court system that is more diverse and reflective of the communities we serve."

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