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District Attorney Erik Nasarenko Appoints Sara Kulumani as Executive Director of Ventura County Family Justice Centers

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today the appointment of Sara Kulumani as Executive Director of the Ventura County Family Justice Centers. She will lead the Judge Colleen Toy White Family Justice Center in Ventura and two additional centers under development: the Carmen Ramirez Family Justice Center in Oxnard and the East County Family Justice Center located on the campus of California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks. She will also oversee Safe Harbor, Ventura County's 24-hour sexual assault response centers.

Ms. Kulumani most recently served as an executive leader within the California Department of Human Resources in Sacramento. Prior to that, she was the Director of Special Programs for the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office in Alexandria, Virginia. In that role, she created and led a division responsible for victim services, community-based initiatives, and rehabilitative programs. She also served as a frontline victim advocate providing direct support to victims of crime.

Ms. Kulumani began her professional career as a logistics officer in the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division, supporting combat missions during the global war on terrorism. She is a graduate of the U.S. Army's Pathfinder and Air Assault schools. She holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Illinois, an MBA from Norwich University, and is a graduate of the Executive Leadership Program at UC Berkeley's Haas School of Business.

"Sara Kulumani is the right leader arriving at the right time in Ventura County," said District Attorney Erik Nasarenko. "As we look to grow our family justice center movement from one center to three, Sara's track record of creating and leading victim-centered initiatives in Virginia and supporting complex operations as an army officer will serve this county and our crime victims well."

The Ventura County Family Justice Centers, operated by the Ventura County District Attorney's Office, provide a coordinated, trauma-informed response to victims of crime by having law enforcement, prosecutors, victim advocates, and community partners under one roof.

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Figure 1

Chief Assistant Lisa Lyytikainen, FJC Director Sara Kulumani, Chief Deputy District Attorney Brent Nibecker



Figure 2

Chief Assistant Lisa Lyytikainen administering the oath of office to Ms. Kulumani