

Item available for public inspection in the Clerk's office during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM)

April 16, 2024
Regular Meeting
Item #2b. -
Retirement
Recognition of
Stacey Simon for
Her 25 Years of
Service with Mono
County



MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING STACEY SIMON FOR HER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO MONO COUNTY

WHEREAS, Stacey Simon started her career in service to the County in 1999 as a Deputy County Counsel I, after serving as an intern while a student at Berkeley Law, and has served as the County Counsel since 2016;

WHEREAS, Stacey has tackled numerous complex problems during her 25 year tenure with an incredible depth of knowledge, curiosity, and tenacity in tracking down an answer. Stacey’s work has encompassed all the subject matter areas and needs that a County might have. She has been instrumental or the lead on many projects, such as construction of the Lee Vining Community Center and preschool program, the County’s solid waste franchise system, implementation of HIPAA, CEQA challenges to LADWP actions that could de-water the Long Valley, proposed housing developments, and the response to the rating of the Owens Valley basin under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, all while promptly and deftly handling the varied and routine business of the County;

WHEREAS, Stacey has been a model of positive leadership, demonstrating care and concern not only for all of her clients in addressing the issues they bring forward, but in being thoughtful and supportive of her co-workers and all County staff. She is also considerate of and sensitive to how the County can best communicate with and provide service to County residents;

WHEREAS, Stacey always brought a creative and collaborative approach to problem solving for her clients. She is open to finding new pathways and reasoning to develop solutions that are both legally sound and achieve the County’s goals;

WHEREAS, Stacey met the uncertainty and challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic with an intensity of dedication and work ethic that allowed the County to navigate uncharted and unfamiliar legal territory as it sought to make the best decisions possible in an ever-shifting environment;

WHEREAS, Stacey has always delivered her advice, insights, and counsel in an honest and tactful way, effectively guiding and persuading both staff and elected officials for the good of the County;

WHEREAS, Stacey has been a consummate team player and an anchor for the County, helping to onboard and counsel incoming County Administrative Officers during periods of turnover and transition and even accepting the role of Acting County Administrative Officer. Her wealth of institutional knowledge and flexibility in taking on responsibilities outside that of a traditional County Counsel has been crucial in keeping the County on a straight and steady course;

WHEREAS, Stacey Simon will conclude her 25 years of service to the County on May 10, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED her staff will so miss all of the things she brings to the office beyond her wisdom and expertise, whether it’s her knitted creations, holiday decorations, surprise chocolate finds from Grocery Outlet, impromptu trips to Vons or the Castoff, and all of the fun teas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mono County Board of Supervisors, the Office of the Mono County Counsel, and the staff of the County extend to Stacey Simon the utmost gratitude and appreciation for her invaluable years of service to the County and its residents and wish her a well-deserved happy retirement.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of April 2024 by the Mono County Board of Supervisors.

Jennifer Kreitz, Supervisor District #1

Rhonda Duggan, Supervisor District #2

Bob Gardner, Supervisor District #3

John Peters, Supervisor District #4

Lynda Salcido, Supervisor District #5