



COMMISSIONER MARY KENNEY

Commissioner Mary Kenney is a retired lawyer, most recently practicing in Pasadena, CA, as Deputy General Counsel for East West Bank, one of the largest independent banks headquartered in California. East West Bank was founded to serve the immigrant Chinese-American community. East West is the leading bank serving the Asian community in the United States.

Commissioner Kenney also practiced in Pasadena as Associate General Counsel for Fannie Mae, a mortgage industry wholesale lender, supporting the development of affordable housing initiatives, including initiatives that addressed inequities in delivery of financial services based on race.

Earlier in her career, Commissioner Kenney worked in downtown Los Angeles for more than 25 years.

More recently, she volunteered at Patriotic Hall in downtown Los Angeles for the Los Angeles County Bar Association Veterans Project, assisting veterans who are unemployed and at risk of homelessness, by assisting in clearing outstanding traffic tickets (frequently resulting in the veteran's loss of his or her driver's license) and expunging criminal records.

Commissioner Kenney is a graduate of Smith College, majoring in Latin American Studies; she received her J.D. degree from the University of Southern California. She worked and studied Mexican law with the University of Houston in Mexico City, Mexico. She currently (pre-pandemic) visits Tijuana, B.C., Mexico, five times per year as part of a support outreach to six charities serving the homeless individuals, educating special needs children and kindergarteners, and providing shelter to unwed teenage mothers and daycare services.

Her grandparents immigrated to the United States in the early 20th century from Lithuania and never learned to speak English. Her grandfather was a coal miner in Pennsylvania and a member of the United Mine Workers.

She currently resides in the 4th Supervisorial District, along with her husband and her son and his family (including 4 children). She has long-standing ties with all areas of the county, having attended elementary school through 8th grade in the east end of the 1st District, and having resided in the north end of the 2nd District, the south side of the 3rd District, and the south side of the 5th District. She is committed to a careful, intentional, fair-minded, and impartial approach to establishing supervisorial district boundaries in an equitable manner.