



## **SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SAN BENITO**

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### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **Superior Court of San Benito Celebrates America's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Hollister, CA:** On Wednesday, July 1st, the Superior Court of San Benito hosted a panel discussion commemorating the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States. The event featured retired Superior Court Judges along with representatives from the District Attorney's Office, Probation Department, Public Defender's Office, and was moderated by Presiding Judge Omar Rodriguez. Together, they explored the role of the justice system in American democracy and closed off by offering advice to the next generation of legal professionals. The San Benito County Free Library also participated in the event and handed out pocket constitutions to attendees. We extend our sincere appreciation to the panelists for their participation and to everyone who joined us in celebrating this historic milestone.

For more information, please contact the Superior Court of San Benito County at [resourceteam@sanbenitocourt.org](mailto:resourceteam@sanbenitocourt.org)



*Presiding Judge J. Omar Rodriguez with panelist speakers (L-R): Retired Judge Tom Breen, Retired Judge Steven Sanders, San Benito County District Attorney Joel Buckingham, Chief Probation Officer Ashlyn Canez, and Public Defender Amy Rodriguez*







*Panels celebrating San Benito County court history.*



*Pocket constitutions provided by the San Benito County Free Library.*