## **BIOGRAPHIES**

**CHARLES J. ADORNETTO** is the Judicial Education Officer for the Maricopa County Justice Courts and a Judge Pro Tempore in several courts. In his many years of legal practice, Mr. Adornetto has been the Wickenburg Town Magistrate, the Chief Hearing Officer at the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections, the Chief Hearing Officer/Assistant Director of the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, and an Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge at the Arizona Department of Transportation.

Mr. Adornetto graduated from Stanford Law School and has a B.S. in Political Science from Arizona State University. He has also attended the Judicial College of Arizona; the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada, the Arizona College of Trial Advocacy, the Certified Public Manager program, and the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Mr. Adornetto is a past Chair of the Executive Council of Arizona State Bar Public Lawyer Section and of the Juvenile Law Section. He also serves on the State Bar Fee Arbitration Committee and has served on the Unauthorized Practice of Law Advisory Committee and Peer Review Committee. He has also been a substitute teacher in our public schools and is the past president of A Stepping Stone Foundation, a charity providing preschool and family literacy services, along with college scholarships, to atrisk youth in Arizona.

Mr. Adornetto received a Strategic Agenda Award from the Arizona Supreme Court for Enhancing Professionalism within Arizona's Courts in 2015 and again in 2020; received two awards from the National Association of Counties in 2020 for Information Technology (Educational Podcast System) and Personnel Management, Employment and Training (New Pro Tem Training Program); and was a Supervisor of the Year at the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections in 2006. Mr. Adornetto served as a Table Mentor at the Supreme Court's Limited Jurisdiction New Judge Orientation in 2019 and 2020.

HON. WENDY S. MORTON is a Commissioner for the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County. She is currently assigned to the Criminal Department, where she presides over Competency, Mental Health, Veterans Court and Restitution Court matters. Commissioner Morton is Chair of the Superior Court's Specialty Court Committee, which oversees all Problem Solving Courts in Maricopa County. She created the CANVAS program, in which Mental Health and Veterans Court probationers to engage in creative outlets that assist with success on probation. In 2017, CANVAS was awarded a National Association of Counties Award and was recognized nationally as being one of 100 "Brilliant Ideas at Work". Prior to her current assignment, she served in the Family Court Department for five years, serving as Presiding Family Court Commissioner for two years. She also serves as chair of the Superior Court Best Practices Committee for Orders of Protection. She began her legal career as a Special

Deputy County Attorney with the Pinal County Attorney's Office. From 1993-2002, she was a Deputy Maricopa County Attorney, where she served in the pretrial, juvenile, charging, trial and major crimes divisions (Sex Crimes and Vehicular Crimes). In 1997, Commissioner Morton was named the State Bar of Arizona's Attorney of the Year for Law Related Education and Juvenile Division Attorney of the Year by the Maricopa County Attorney's Office. In 2002, she was appointed an Administrative Law Judge with the Arizona Office of Administrative Hearings, where she eventually served as an Assistant Presiding Administrative Law Judge. From 2006-2010, she served as a Municipal Court Judge in Scottsdale. In 2009, Commissioner Morton received the Award for Judicial Excellence (now the Michael D. Ryan Award for Judicial Excellence) from the Public Lawyer's Section of the State Bar of Arizona. She has also served on the Phoenix Municipal Court bench.

Commissioner Morton has served on the State Bar Public Lawyer's Section Executive Council since 2006, serving as chair in 2010. She served an 8 year term on Arizona Attorney Magazine Editorial Board, with two years as chair and also served an 8 year term on the State Bar Leadership Institute faculty. She is also a faculty member for the State Bar Professionalism course. Commissioner Morton was a long-time member of the Bar Convention Committee and served as co-chair of the 2008 and 2009 Bar Conventions. She also volunteered for 15 years as a Regional Coordinator for the Arizona High School Mock Trial Program and served on the Board of Directors of the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services and Education. From 2010-15, she served as Adjunct Professor of Law at the Arizona Summit School of Law.

In 2011, Commissioner Morton wrote, produced and directed a seven-part documentary series for the Arizona Supreme Court entitled "Legends of the Arizona Judiciary", which highlights trailblazing judges in Arizona's legal history. Commissioner Morton is also the author/illustrator of two books, "Court Story", a nationally award-winning coloring book that teaches children about the court system and a children's book called "Flipper and Dipper and the Treasures of 6 Bird", whose proceeds are donated to the Syracuse University to honor her classmates lost aboard Pan Am 103 in 1988.

Commissioner Morton is a 1989 graduate of Syracuse University, where she obtained her dual degree in Broadcast Journalism and Political Science. In 1992, she obtained her Juris Doctorate from Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, Delaware. Commissioner Morton is admitted to practice law in Arizona, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

KAY RADWANSKI is a senior court policy analyst in the Court Services Division, Administrative Office of the Courts, Arizona Supreme Court. At the AOC, she staffs the Committee on the Impact of Domestic Violence and the Courts (CIDVC) and the Committee on Superior Court (COSC). Prior to joining the AOC in 2007, Kay was employed in the New Jersey Judiciary as Domestic Violence Unit supervisor at the Cumberland County Superior Court, Bridgeton, N.J. Before that, she practiced law at

South Jersey Legal Services, a public interest law firm, where she represented low-income clients in domestic violence, divorce, child support, parenting time, custody, and other types of civil matters. Kay earned her J.D. degree from the Rutgers University School of Law, Camden, N.J. She is licensed to practice law in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

MERRI TISETH is the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) - Executive Director. She joined the Arizona Department of State- Secretary of State's Office in December 2016 to serve as the ACP Program Coordinator. In September 2019, she was appointed to the position of executive director. Prior to joining the ACP, Ms. Tiseth was with the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence (formerly AzCADV) from 2004 - December 2016, as the Director of Legal Services. Ms. Tiseth is currently a member of the ACESDV's Legal, and executive director's committees, MAG, and National Alliance of Confidential Address Programs (NACAP) Board of Directors. Prior memberships include: the Arizona Citizen Review Panel from 2013 - 2016, and from 2007 - 2016 the Coalition Advocate and Attorney Network (CAAN). Ms. Tiseth has advocated for survivors of domestic violence, sexual violence, stalking and for those with differing abilities for over 35 years combined; and holds a National Advocate Credential at the Advanced Level - Comprehensive Victim Intervention Specialist (2016 – present). In addition, Ms. Tiseth holds an Associate in Arts and a Certificate of Completion; Administration of Justice – Fundamentals from Phoenix College.