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## **DA HESTRIN ANNOUNCES 2014 AND 2015 PRIDE AWARDS**

**RIVERSIDE** – At a banquet held the evening of Friday, Dec. 11, 2015, District Attorney Mike Hestrin announced and presented the 2014 and 2015 PRIDE awards recognizing outstanding work within the DA's Office.

PRIDE, the Program Rewarding Incentive of District attorney Employees, honors attorney and non-attorney staff for demonstrating extraordinary responsibility, professional development, productivity, dedication, initiative, a positive attitude, quality of work, dependability, cooperation, attendance, and public demeanor.

"I believe it is important to recognize the achievement of our employees who, in their everyday work, go beyond the office's already high standards," said Riverside County District Attorney Mike Hestrin. "Those being recognized here for their extraordinary work embody a strong work ethic that results in success. Each of these individuals inspires and challenges us to resist mediocrity and embrace excellence."

The 2015 PRIDE Award Banquet, held at Eagle Glen Golf Club in Corona, consolidated the years of 2014 and 2015 as no awards were presented last year.

Group awards were presented to groups from each of the office's three regions: Western, Eastern, and Southwest/Mid-County. Individual awards were selected countywide.

The 2014 Prosecutor of the Year award was presented to Jacob Silva from the Eastern Region and the 2015 Prosecutor of the Year award had co-recipients, Daima Calhoun of the Western Region and Daniel DeLimon of the Southwest/Mid-County Region.

The cost of the awards and banquet was entirely covered by money raised through fundraisers held within the office.

Recipients for both years are listed below.

## 2014 PRIDE Awards

Area	Award	Name
Countywide	Prosecutor of the Year	Jacob Silva
Countywide	Appellate Prosecutor of the Year	Emily Hanks
Countywide	Juvenile Prosecutor of the Year	Clara Chen
Countywide	New Career Prosecutor of the Year	Jeremiah Johnson
Countywide	Paralegal of the Year	Jennifer Finch
Countywide	Investigator of the Year	James McDonald
Countywide	Technician of the Year	Carol Tatum
Countywide	Advocate of the Year	Cynthia Galvan
Countywide	Clerical Support of the Year	Araceli Hernandez Nicole Bonaminio
Countywide	Administrative Support of the Year	Eleanor Watanabe
Countywide	Volunteer of the Year	Corrina Colvin
Countywide	Community Hero of the Year	Luke Maxwell
Western Region	Group/Unit – Felony Records Clerical	Margo Hall Jennifer Mendoza Holly Sager Carmina Segarra Pam Siegman
Eastern Region	Group/Unit – Paralegals	Soledad Gomez Toni Guess Hilary Jones January Papanastasatos Kristal Sandoval
Southwest Region	Group/Unit – Victim Services	Joy Allison Wendy Bankston Hilda Carrillo Jeanette Hunter Diane Kalp Kristin Merrill Julio Perez Hollie Simkins Elizabeth Smith Nadia Surani Jennifer Wesolowski

## 2015 PRIDE Awards

Area	Award	Name
Countywide	Prosecutor of the Year	Daima Calhoun Daniel DeLimon
Countywide	Crime Prevention Prosecutor of the Year	Hunter Taylor
Countywide	Filing Prosecutor of the Year	Aileen Alvarez
Countywide	New Career Prosecutor of the Year	Garrett Behrens
Countywide	Paralegal of the Year	Christine Lawyer
Countywide	Investigator of the Year	Ed Reed
Countywide	Technician of the Year	Irma Mota
Countywide	Advocate of the Year	Kimberly Franklin
Countywide	Clerical Support of the Year	Bronwen Vasquez
Countywide	Administration Support of the Year	Timothy Craney
Countywide	DA Achievement/Leadership Award	Vincent Fabrizio
Western Region	Group/Unit: Complaints	Dawn Amerson Robert Bauder Kimberlee Contreras Lorraine Contreras Rhonda Contreras Michelle Diaz Barbara Green Shannon Gulley Rebecca Lawhead Jenny Martinez Eve Perez Esther Reyes Rita Rojas Lorie Torres Imelda Wauthion
Eastern Region	Group/Unit: Complaints	Carole Allen Misty Lara Dolores Loechner Maria Magana Anna Mendiola Lori Oaks Maria Ortega Tracie Zepeda
Southwest Region	Group/Unit: Complaints	Adena Burnett Michelle Gomez Eleise Lewis Anna Purinton Ricardo Ramirez Amy Rose Taylor Santos Nadia Surani