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**THE HONORABLE JOYCE E. DUDLEY, NEWLY APPOINTED CHAIRPERSON OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING**

On September 1, 2016, Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr., appointed Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley as Chair of the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). This position is a non-salaried positions with all travel-related costs paid for by the State of California. POST Commissioner meetings occur approximately four times per year.

POST was established by the Legislature in 1959 to set minimum selection and training standards for California law enforcement. The POST organization, with more than 130 staff members, functions under the direction of an Executive Director appointed by the Commission. The mission of the California Commission on POST is to continually enhance the professionalism of California law enforcement in serving its communities.

DA Dudley was the first person to ever be appointed Chair of this California commission. This appointment was made possible by a recent amendment to California Penal Code section 13501. In response to this historic appointment DA Dudley stated, "I am deeply honored to have been offered this appointment. I believe the law enforcement officers who serve Santa Barbara County are among the best in our nation. I hope to bring some of what they have taught me to my new role. I am also very excited to use some of my education and employment experiences in psychology and social justice to improve the relationship, statewide, between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve."

POST Commission meetings are open to the public. For more information on POST and future commission meetings see: <https://www.post.ca.gov/about-us.aspx>.

Following is the POST Commissioners photo on file from 2015.

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