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Sutter County Superior Court Judge Brian R. Aronson has announced his retirement effective December 31, 2018, after serving 15 years on the bench. Aronson was appointed by Governor Gray Davis in 2003 and then went on to serve two additional terms.

Judge Aronson received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Redlands and his Juris Doctorate from McGeorge School of Law in 1986. He served as a Yolo County Deputy Public Defender for two years before joining the Sutter County District Attorney's Office in 1989. Aronson prosecuted thousands of cases and was the County's Chief Trial Deputy when he was appointed to succeed retiring Judge Timothy J. Evans in October 2003.

Aronson served as Sutter County's Family and Juvenile Judge for five and a half years. Since 2009, he has primarily had a criminal assignment and became the court's Presiding Judge in January 2015. Under his leadership, the Sutter County Court has instituted a new case management system, has become the first court in Northern California to go completely paperless across all case types, is the first court in the Third District to implement the filing of entirely electronic appeals, and has moved into its new state-of-the-art facility.

Judge Aronson has been active in the community. For many years he was on the Board of Directors for The Acting Company. He has hosted many school groups in the Sutter County Courthouse and participated in the "DUI in the Schools" Program in which actual court hearings were held at several local high schools.

Known for his keen sense of humor, his photographic memory (he was a Jeopardy! Champion in 1978) and his compassion, Judge Aronson will be sorely missed.