

THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT'S NEWEST JUSTICE: MARTIN JENKINS

On Nov. 10, Martin Jenkins won unanimous confirmation to the California Supreme Court. Appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom, Jenkins becomes the first openly gay member and the fifth Black justice in the Court's history. Jenkins fills the seat vacated with Justice Ming Chin's retirement in August. The *Review* will include a profile of Justice Jenkins in the Spring/Summer 2021 issue.

Jenkins, considered a moderate, has extensive judicial experience. Republican governors appointed him to the Alameda County Municipal Court and later, to the 1st District San Francisco-based state Court of Appeal. He also served on the federal trial bench in San Francisco, appointed by President Bill Clinton.

He retired from the Court of Appeal in 2019 to serve as Newsom's judicial appointments secretary, vetting candidates for the state's judiciary, including for the position the governor ultimately asked him to fill.

