

Richard Blake
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Richard Blake is the Chief Judge of the Hoopa Valley Tribe, contractual Chief Judge for the Redding Rancheria and Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Tribal Courts, and is a member of the Hoopa Valley Tribe. He is the President of the National American Indian Court Judges Association and a member of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ).

Chief Judge Blake, in cooperation with the NCJFCJ, leads a local School Pathways to the Juvenile Justice System Project, a collaborative effort to reduce referrals of youth to juvenile courts for school-based misbehaviors and to expand the use of positive disciplinary practices in schools. Chief Judge Blake is the former co-chair of the California Tribal-State Forum and current member of the California Federal-Tribal Forum by appointment of California Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye.