

The Honorable Ruben Sundeen of Oakland, was appointed by Governor Newsom to serve as a Judge in the Alameda County Superior Court in 2022. He is currently serving presiding over criminal cases. However, he has an extensive background in Probate Law. Starting in 2019, Sundeen served as a Commissioner at the Alameda County Probate Court, after years of appearing as a lawyer and guardian ad litem in Alameda County probate matters.

After graduating from law school, Sundeen entered into private practice, handling business law, estate planning, probate and real estate law matters. He was Managing Partner at Sundeen and Salinas from 2017 to 2019 and from 1998 to 2004. Sundeen was Managing Partner at Sundeen, Salinas and Pyle from 2005 to 2017 and at Sundeen Salinas Rommel and Pyle from 2004 to 2005.

He was an Associate at Stuckey Law Corporation from 1996 to 1998. Sundeen earned a B.A. in philosophy from the University of California, Berkeley in 1988. He spent the next several years working as an environmental assessor for Raney Geotechnical. Then, in 1996, he completed a Juris Doctor degree from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law. He fills the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Victor Rodriguez to the Court of Appeal.