Kristin B. Connelly Biography

Kristin B. Connelly began her term as Contra Costa County's Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters on January 3, 2023, where she oversees the approximately 72 employees that work in both the Clerk-Recorder Division and the Elections Division. With respect to the Elections Division, Kristin has spent her first fifteen months in office focused on increasing access to voting, ensuring transparency about elections processes, and battling misinformation about voting. She also proudly promotes the important work of the Clerk-Recorder Division which handles hundreds of thousands of property transactions and vital records each year. In her role as Commissioner of Civil Marriages, Kristin is honored to have officiated wedding ceremonies as part of her department's Destination Weddings program both at the summit of Mount Diablo and at the COBRA Experience Museum.

Prior to being elected Clerk-Recorder, Kristin worked as the President and CEO of the East Bay Leadership Council (EBLC) and the Executive Director of the Contra Costa Economic Partnership (CCEP) for more than 8 years. Through her leadership of EBLC and CCEP, Kristin proudly served as a founding Executive Committee member of the Ensuring Opportunity Campaign to end poverty in Contra Costa County.

Kristin served on the Acalanes Union High School District Governing Board starting in 2018 when she was elected to a two-year term and was re-elected in 2020. In 2022, Kristin served as the President of the AUHSD Governing Board.

A native of Martinez, Kristin earned a law degree from Fordham, a master's in public policy from Georgetown and a bachelor's in political science from UCLA, as a Frank H. Buck Scholar. Kristin is a proud graduate of College Park High School in Pleasant Hill. She practiced employment law at the firm Sidley Austin LLP in New York City. Kristin is grateful to be raising her two teenage children in Contra Costa with her husband, T.J.