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May 2019

President's Column

Thomas Min
MCBA President

Please join us for Law Day on Thursday May 2, 2019 between 9:30 am to 1 pm. Please see the next column for details. >>>

Dos Palos High School Mock Trial Team Members Win Awards at State Mock Trial Competition.

Dos Palos High School were the winners of the Merced County Mock Trial Competition in February. They went on to compete in the State competition in March.

Isabel Mejia-Sanchez received overall outstanding prosecuting attorney and Nancy Najera received an award for outstanding witness. Thank you all for your support of this fantastic program.

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Law Day 2019

When: Thursday May 2, 2019

Where: Italo-American Lodge in Merced located at 1351 W. 18th Street, Merced

Theme: Free Speech, Free Press & Free Society

Speakers:

9:30 am - David Mann from The Other Bar. One hour MCLE credit in Competence Issues.

10:45 am - Comm. Shaver, "Law Day Pub Trivia." One hour general MCLE credit.

12:00 pm - Justice Kathleen Meehan from the 5th District Court of Appeals. One hour general MCLE credit.

Cost: \$20.00, payable at the door. (Cash or check.) There is no charge for the 9:30 or 10:45 sessions.

Note: The California Highway Patrol provides security for the 5th District Justices and requires a list of names of attendees of the event.

- Please RSVP via email to: secretary@mercedbar.org

or by phone to Ian Cooke at 209-725-0770 (Aitchison & Emery)

Calendar of Events

May 2 - MCBA Law Day, Italo-American Lodge – 9:30AM – 1PM 9:30 David Mann, 10:45 Comm. Donald Shaver, Noon Speaker Justice Meehan (3 MCLE credits).



June 6 MCBA Lunch, Branding Iron – Travis Colby on Criminal Law Updates (1 MCLE credit).

July 4 – Enjoy Independence Day. No July meeting!

August 1 – MCBA Lunch, Branding Iron – Commissioner Shaver, subject TBA (1 MCLE credit).

September 5 - MCBA Lunch, Branding Iron – Lindsay Nako and David Nahmias on Legal Developments in LGBTQ Employment Discrimination (1 MCLE credit Elimination of Bias *REQUIRED SUBJECT*).

October 3 at 6 p.m. - Westside Dinner and at Wool Growers, 609 H Street, Los Banos.

November 7 - MCBA Lunch, Branding Iron - Annual Membership meeting and board elections.

December 5 at 6 p.m.- Holiday Party and Judges' Night at the Branding Iron in Merced.



Justice Meehan was nominated to be an Associate Justice of the Fifth District Court of Appeal by Governor Brown in December 2016 and was confirmed by the Commission of Judicial Appointments on February 9, 2017. Justice Meehan grew up in Fresno with her parents and three siblings and attended Fresno schools from kindergarten through high school graduation. She earned her bachelor's degree, magna cum laude, from Saint Mary's College of California, where she received the De La Salle Medal (School of Liberal Arts' highest honor) and the Thomas Jefferson Award (Government Department's highest honor). She has been married to her college sweetheart, Allen, since 1981.



Commissioner Donald Shaver was a well-respected judge for Stanislaus County for many years. After retirement, he began to sit on the bench in Merced County as a visiting judge. Donald Shaver is now a full-time Commissioner at the Merced County Superior Court.



David Mann is a graduate of Ohio State University and Stanford Law School. He served as a Deputy Public Defender in San Francisco before becoming a solo criminal defense practitioner. After 12 years of practice, substance abuse-related issues caused him to resign from the bar with disciplinary charges pending. He presently serves as the Northern California Consultant to The Other Bar, a statewide organization of recovering attorneys, judges, and law students. In this capacity, he spends his time providing outreach and education to the legal community, and assisting attorneys as they struggle with substance abuse and related challenges that threaten their ability and/or eligibility to practice law.

Friendly Reminders

It is not too late to join the MCBA. Bar dues for 2019 are \$90 and \$60 for new members.

Anyone interested in joining can contact Tom Min at tmin1216@gmail.com for an application.

Download a Member Application on the member's resources page on our website: www.mercedbar.org/member-resources/

Thank you for your 2019 membership.

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