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March 2021 CAPAJA Newsletter

Dear CAPAJA Member:

Happy First Day of Spring on March 20! Here is the CAPAJA news for March 2021.

CAPAJA Mid-Year Membership Meeting by Zoom on Saturday, March 6

We look forward to seeing you all at the CAPAJA Mid-Year Membership Meeting in conjunction with the CJA Mid-Year meeting, which will be held on Zoom this Saturday, March 6, 2021 at 12:30 p.m. You do not have to be registered for the CJA Mid-Year Meeting to attend this meeting. Log-in information was sent to all members by email.

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At the meeting, we will be giving an overview of what CAPAJA has been doing over the past half-year, and what is planned for the rest of the year. We will feature reports on the activities of each of the CAPAJA Committees: Outreach, Education, Surveys, Judicial Appointments, Judicial Elections, Mentorship, Administrative Law Judges and Scholarships, all of which welcome new members. The Scholarships Committee will be leading a discussion on how we can best set up a CAPAJA scholarship for law students. Judges Sonny Sandhu and Jana Seng will lead a discussion on a proposed CAPAJA statement on recent attacks against APIs. The new API judges in California will be highlighted, so you will have the opportunity to meet your new API colleagues!

The meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. The Agenda was sent by email.

At the meeting, we will be voting on the proposed amended By-Laws, prepared by the CAPAJA By-Laws Revision Committee, consisting of the Hon. Tracie Brown, Carin Fujisaki, Tammy Ryu, Lee Tsao, Dorothy Chou Proudfoot and Fumiko Wasserman, working together with President Holly Fujie and President-Elect Audra Ibarra. The proposed new By-Laws are again attached to the email sent to members.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the Mid-Year Meeting!

CAPAJA Members Speaking at CJA Mid-Year Meeting

CAPAJA members will be well-represented as speakers at the CJA Mid-Year meeting. CAPAJA Former President Judge Kirk Nakamura and CJA Immediate Past President B. Tam Nomoto Schumann, both of the Orange County Superior Court, will be speaking at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, March 5 on “Retirement Options for Every Judge.” Judge Wesley Hsu of the Los Angeles Superior Court will be speaking that same day at 3:30 p.m. on “Cyber Security: Protecting You and Your Court.”

Passing of a CAPAJA Member

CAPAJA is sad to report that longtime member Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Lori Ann Fournier passed away last month. Judge Fournier was a Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney before her appointment to the bench by Governor Schwarzenegger in 2006. She served in several leadership positions in the Court, including Assistant Supervising Judge of the Southeast District. In 2017, Judge Fournier was honored by the Southeast District Bar Association (SEDBA) as Judge of the Year, and SEDBA has created an SEDBA Annual Memorial Scholarship in her honor. For more information, please see the following link: <https://sedba.org/events/memorial-scholarship/>. CAPAJA expresses its condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of Judge Fournier for their loss.

With CAPAJA’s best wishes,
Holly J. Fujie, CAPAJA President
Audra Ibarra, CAPAJA President-Elect

If you have news or know of any CAPAJA member who has been or will be honored, has spoken or will speak at an event or is taking a new position, please let us know and we will feature it in the next newsletter.