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**A leader is one who knows the way,
goes the way, and shows the way.**

John C. Maxwell



PRESIDENT
LORRAINE BENAVIDES
VENTURA COUNTY

The President's Message...



Dear CCA Members:

Thank you to those who were able to attend CCA's 65th Convention in Orange County. This convention brought together attendees, exhibitors, educators and facilitators alike to share best practices and knowledge with court employees from throughout California. There were plenty of educational sessions to choose from as well as numerous networking opportunities for all. Many thanks go out to the CCA Business Team, Debbe Dreher, Tracy Brown, Rachel Myers, the CCA Executive Board, the CCA committee members, and especially, Orange County CCA Directors and Host Court Committee Chairs and members who spent numerous hours working and planning this memorable event.

Special thanks to Tanya Rivero, Immediate Past President, who's leadership in 2016-2017 resulted in the implementation of the Association's Strategic Plan and an 80% reduction of our overall budget deficit. In the coming year, Tanya's efforts will be focused on building collaborative relationships with court staff and leaders throughout California and mentorship programs.

In the year ahead, our goal is to expand our presence, retain our relevance, seek innovative ideas and maintain our effectiveness as THE leader in training, education and resource for California court employees. No doubt this is a huge undertaking. However, through the help of our members, Directors, Committee Chairs, and my fellow officers: Michelle Baldwin, Senior Vice President, Kym Chank, Junior Vice President, Jim Feenan, Treasurer and Ramses Maya, Secretary, I am confident we can achieve any challenge placed before us.

As your newly elected President, I look forward to an exciting year! If you have a great idea, please don't hesitate to share it with me.

Fondly,

Lorraine Benavides

Your 2017-2018 CCA President



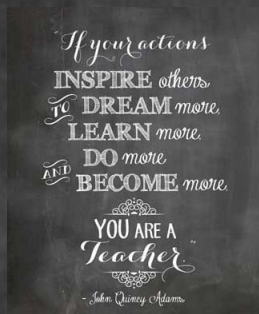
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To Provide a Forum for Education and
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Greetings CCA Members:



You may notice that this issue of the Minute Book will not contain as much news as it normally does, but rather will be dedicated to you, the **Stars** of CCA and will focus on your achievements and the highlights of the CCA 2017 Convention. I will explain more below in the "Up-to-the-Minute" article below.

It's been a few years since I have been to a CCA Convention. I forgot how fun and important it is to meet and reconnect with so many different people from so many different courts. I remember standing at the back of the room during the luncheon assembly, looking through my telephoto lens, trying to see the "whole picture". Everyone was networking and engaged in conversation with each other, and members were reconnecting and just truly enjoying the day. While snapping photos, I felt I was looking through a telescope watching so many stars shine all at once. When you think about how members come together to promote the mission of its organization, I find it similar to our solar system -- the Sun and Moon and all the Stars work together in harmony to keep the Rivers and Lakes, and Seas, and Ocean within their bounds. Without YOU, the **STARS**, our CCA organization, the **SUN**, cannot shine. Most of us can say easily that without the support of our peers and the professional organizations to which we belong such as CCA, we would not be nearly as successful in our professional life. CCA allows for a congregation of intelligent, like-minded professional "stars" that are immersed in the inner workings of our industry to gain access to a variety of training opportunities specifically designed for court employees throughout the state of California.

In the words of the late great John Lennon:

"And we all shine on, like the moon, and the stars and the sun".

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE News

Stay up to date every week with selections from major California newspapers and Judicial Council on current issues that affect the courts! Sign up for Up-to-the-Minute email news blasts. Click [here](#) to take advantage of this great CCA feature.

The Internet and modern technology have changed the way we receive and consume news. It's also changed the way the news itself is gathered. You may notice that Judicial Council sends out several email blasts and online newsletters that deliver the news within minutes after it happens. Many courts now send out email notifications for all press releases. The Minute Book is published quarterly. Traditionally, you have to wait 3 months to receive updated news from CCA. By the time, you receive it, the "news" contained in it is "yesterday's news". Facebook and Twitter have become the major news sources dedicated to breaking news as it happens. There is no need to wait 3 months to receive CCA news! If you want the up-to-the minute news, I urge you to sign up for Up-to-the-Minute news email notifications to stay current and be the first to know in your court of any news that affects the work we do as California court employees.

Up-to-the-Minute Archives

Applications for State Immigrant Driver's Licenses Declining (<https://www.calcourt.org/members-only/minute/applications-state-immigrant-drivers-licenses-declining>)
Aug 22, 2017, 9:08 AM

Landmark settlement offers some relief from crushing traffic ticket fines (<https://www.calcourt.org/members-only/minute/landmark-settlement-offers-some-relief-crushing-traffic-ticket-fines>)
Aug 16, 2017, 2:03 PM

Prop 47 (<https://www.calcourt.org/members-only/minute/prop-47>)
Aug 16, 2017, 2:01 PM

2017 Distinguished Service Award Recipients (<https://www.calcourt.org/members-only/minute/2017-distinguished-service-award-recipients-1>)
Aug 3, 2017, 9:59 AM

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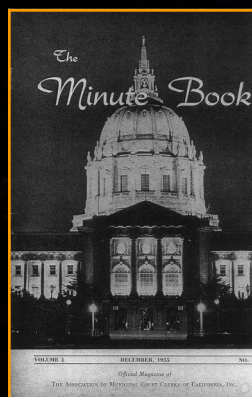
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who emails me
the correct answer
will win \$75 or
\$75 *Courtique* Credit!

Trivia Question #4:

The Association of Municipal Court Clerks of California, Inc. held its First Annual Convention Southern Regional Conference on Sept. 8-10, 1955.

1. What famous landmark hotel and city was the conference held?
2. Who served as the Guest Speaker
3. attended this event?
4. Who performed as the entertainment for the evening?

Click on the Minute
Book icon above to
search for the answer!



CORRECTION POLICY

We aim to get it right, but when we get it wrong, please let us know. We want to correct the record.



Contact Editor [Victoria Borjesson](#) to report any errors.



CCA Convention Highlights

By Juan Jaquez, CCA Director, Ventura County

The CCA 65th Annual Convention and training days in Orange County on August 11-13, 2017 offered by the California Court Association was, once again, an incredible 3 day event enjoyed by everyone. Highlights included:

Friday night Welcome Reception & Vendor Faire

The Training and Certification Committee presented the first graduating class of the new Leadership Certification Program

The 2017-2018 Executive Board being sworn in led by our newest President, Lorraine Benavides of Ventura County

Keynote Speaker Orange County CEO David Yamasaki delivered an inspiring speech to members about “technology’s role in the courts - then and now”, and how court staff needs to embrace the future by staying on top of their game through continuing education offered by CCA. In closing, Mr. Yamasaki quoted by one of his friends: “It’s not the destination, it’s the journey”.

Delicious luncheon and door prizes

Vince Ordonez Awards

CCA Service Pins Presentation

Special Awards Presentation

Saturday night “Scavenger Hunt” at Downtown Disney

Sunday morning Directors Meeting

Professional Videotaping of Convention Events

Check out the event photos taken by me, Joshua Villa, Victoria Borjesson, and special volunteer photographer Isaiah Benavides.



“Court staff need to embrace the future by staying on top of their game through continuing education offered by CCA.”

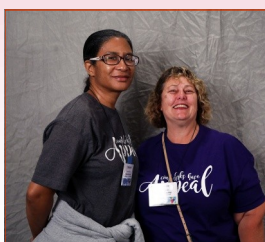
To see Mr. Yamasaki’s full speech, click on his photo above!

A very special thank you to Orange CEO David Yamasaki, the Orange County Superior Court, and to Orange County CCA Director Anthony Villa and his team, Celida Elias, Susie Rivas, Karen Nordin, Connie Garcia, Lezlee Neebe, Beng Galang and Rosemarie Garcia, for their wonderful hospitality which made it an extra-special event! Finally, thank you to Diana Jimenez from Riverside County who helped out with “Tees & Totes” and prizes, and served as an honorary Orange County member for this event!

Lorraine Benavides

CCA President

2017-2018



Thank you
Orange County





CALIFORNIA COURT ASSOCIATION SERVICE AWARDS AUGUST 12, 2017



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**The achievements of an
organization are the results of
the combined effort of each
individual.**

Vince Lombardi



On August 12, 2017, 38 CCA members received Service awards to represent their years of loyal service and contributions to the life of CCA. Awards are given in 5-year increments, beginning with year 5. The annual event honors service years earned through the preceding calendar year. During the ceremony, recipients receive a service pin. CCA members are recognized for their service at the annual CCA Convention each year.

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CALIFORNIA COURT ASSOCIATION
SERVICE AWARDS
AUGUST 12, 2017

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important
ALMOST ALWAYS
involves
the PEOPLE
around us

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Corinne Vallieres

CLASS of 2017



we
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ON A JOB
WELL DONE!

Back row (L-R) – Kym Chank, Sharon Menshew, Liberacion Galang, Ailene Sanders, Anthony Villa, Gurmeet Dhaliwal, Ramses Maya, Michele Xavier, Patty Xavier, Maria Cortez, Denise Loftis.

Front row (L-R) – Teresa Johnson, Beatriz Santelices, Susie Rivas, Ginger Voorhis, Mahalia Long, Natalie Smith, Deanna Simas.

Not Pictured – Vanessa Garcia, Angela Morales, Nancy Phillips, Shawn Parker, Marnie Sisco, Marla Seever, Claudia Zuniga

On Saturday, August 12, 2017, the Training and Certification Committee was please to present the first graduating class of the new Leadership Certification Program. Twenty five graduates were honored at the CCA Convention in Orange County - be sure to check out the presentation available on the [website](#) or click on the icon above!

The Leadership Program began at the 2014 Annual Convention in Riverside and was spearheaded by Past-President [Corinne Vallieres](#). Participants completed the following Leadership classes; Leadership Skills, Organizational Management, Ethics for Leaders, Developing Positional Influence & Political Savvy, Conflict Management & Problem Solving, and Professional Communication. The program gives participants the opportunity to immediately implement gained leadership knowledge and skills to apply to their current position and to future promotional opportunities.



Special Recognitions

Distinguished Service
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PRESIDENTS
AWARD



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SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Richard Benas
Award



ANTHONY VILLA
ORANGE COUNTY

Vince Ordonez, Jr.

Award



MARTHA PLASENCIA
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Upcoming CCA Training Dates

**California Court Association's
Redding Training Day
Hosted by: The CCA Executive
Board & Business Team
October 21, 2017**

Gaia Hotel & Spa

4125 Riverside Place,
Anderson, California 96007



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2017 NEW LAW WORKSHOP



**Calling all CA Superior Courts
—SAVE THE DATE—**

The 2017 Legislative Year is coming to a close. There were thousands of new bills introduced this year. Do you know which ones impact trial courts? Come to the CCA New Law Workshop to learn which bills you need to be aware of, which ones impact forms, processes, judges, and daily operations.

- ◆ Workshop is taught by court staff.
- ◆ Designed for court employees responsible for implementing new laws.
- ◆ Earn court continuing education credit.

December 8, 2017 | 9:30 to 3:00

Doubletree by Hilton Sacramento
2001 Point West Way, Sacramento, CA 95815



The collage consists of 30 small photographs arranged in a grid-like fashion. The photos capture various moments from a community meeting:

- Top Left:** A group of about 15 people, including men and women of diverse ages, posing for a group photo in front of a whiteboard.
- Top Center:** A large, stylized text graphic that reads "Class in Session".
- Top Right:** A woman standing at the front of a room, presenting to a group. A screen behind her displays a slide titled "Activity: Situational Leadership Case Studies".
- Middle Left:** A woman in a red blazer speaking to a group. A screen behind her shows a graphic of a trophy and the word "MOMENTS".
- Middle Center:** A group of people sitting at a round table, engaged in discussion. A whiteboard in the background has handwritten notes.
- Middle Right:** A wide shot of a large room with many people seated at round tables, facing towards the front.
- Bottom Left:** A man in a white shirt speaking to a group. A whiteboard behind him has handwritten notes.
- Bottom Center:** A woman in a grey blazer speaking to a group. A whiteboard behind her has handwritten notes.
- Bottom Right:** A woman in a white shirt speaking to a group. A screen behind her displays a slide titled "Players in Dependency Court" with a list of roles.

Other photos show individuals working on whiteboards, people in small groups, and various other scenes of active participation in the meeting.



Snapshot CCA - Orange County Convention Highlights

By Joshua Villa, Riverside County—CCA Photographer , 2017-2018

All photos taken by Joshua Villa, Juan Jaquez, Victoria Borjesson and Isaiah Benavides (Guest photographer)





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**THE FUTURE
INFLUENCES
THE PRESENT
JUST AS MUCH
AS THE PAST**

FRIEDRICH NIETZSCHE



The DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

Home of Shasta County Superior Court

Welcome to REDDING!

On behalf of the CCA Executive Board and Business Team, we are looking forward to seeing all of you at the CCA Training Day in beautiful Redding, California on October 21, 2017. Planning is well underway, and we want to make sure that this training day will be a fun and educational time for everyone who plans on attending. Great classes are being offered by seasoned instructors and experts in their field. For more information, click [HERE](#).

With mountains all around, miles of hiking and biking trails, a river running through it, and national parks nearby, Redding is an outdoor paradise for young and old alike. Cradled by Mount Shasta and Mount Lassen, Redding has 300+ sunny days per year. It's a great place to escape the chill of spring and the gray days of winter, too! [READ MORE HERE!](#)

A special reminder to Court Interpreters: Court interpreters can benefit by attending Redding County's Training Day too! The *Overview of Family Law and Overview of Domestic Violence* classes are **CIMCE** approved

Finally, if you have time during your visit, we encourage you to sample all that the city of Redding and surrounding areas offer! Before Redding existed, Shasta was the queen city of Northern California. Shasta's mostly fireproof main street now lies in ruin. But you can catch a glimpse life in the Gold Rush era and more at the Courthouse Museum. Click the picture below to get more information on the Old Courthouse Museum!



Old Courthouse
Museum

“Click” around to see other activities!

Food



Turtle Bay



Lake Shasta Caverns



Sundial Bridge



Check out the Sundial Bridge
Cam—LIVE!!!



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



Urgency Legislation Creates Mid-Year Changes in Law

URGENCY CLAUSE

Language in a bill which states the bill will take effect immediately upon enactment. A two-thirds vote is required for adoption of the clause and for passage of the bill.

URGENCY MEASURE

A bill affecting the public peace, health, or safety and requiring a two-thirds vote for passage. An urgency bill becomes effective immediately upon enactment.

Source: Legislative Counsel, “A Guide for Accessing California Legislative Information on the Internet”

Each year the Legislature passes, and the Governor signs, hundreds of bills impacting thousands of code sections. Normally, new laws become operative on January 1 of each year. But in extraordinary cases Urgency Clauses are added which make a bill operative immediately. Below are five bills which became operative over the summer as urgency legislation (they are in chronological order from oldest to newest). For additional information, each bill can be found at <https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>.

AB 103 (Chapter 17, Statutes of 2017)

Public safety: omnibus

Operative 6/27/2017 “This act is a bill providing for appropriations related to the Budget Bill within the meaning of subdivision (e) of Section 12 of Article IV of the California Constitution, has been identified as related to the budget in the Budget Bill, and shall take effect immediately” [SEC. 67 of AB 103]

Summary: This bill makes the necessary statutory changes needed to implement the budget act of 2017. In doing so, several substantive changes are made which impact trial courts. [READ MORE HERE!](#)

SB 94 (Chapter 27, Statutes of 2017)

Cannabis: medicinal and adult use

Operative 6/27/2017, “This act is a bill providing for appropriations related to the Budget Bill within the meaning of subdivision (e) of Section 12 of Article IV of the California Constitution, has been identified as related to the budget in the Budget Bill, and shall take effect immediately” [SEC. 183 of SB 94].

Summary: This bill is the cannabis trailer bill for the Budget Act of 2017. This bill establishes a single system of administration for cannabis laws in California. It contains changes related to the Budget Act of 2017 that are necessary for state licensing entities to implement a regulatory framework pursuant to the Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MCRSA), established by AB 266 (Bonta, Chapter 689, Statutes of 2015), AB 243 (Wood, Chapter 688, Statutes of 2015), SB 643 (McGuire, Chapter 719, Statutes of 2015), and SB 837 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 32, Statutes of 2016), and the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA) of 2016 (Proposition 64). [READ MORE HERE!](#)

AB 430 (Chapter 42, Statutes of 2017)

Marriage: solemnization

Operative 7/10/2017 “In order for couples in the state to have access to secular marriage ceremonies at a reasonable cost and at the earliest possible time, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately” [SEC. 2 of AB 430].

Summary: Clarifies that, consistent with Penal Code § 94.5, a judge, retired judge, commissioner or retired commissioner may accept reasonable compensation for solemnizing a marriage. [READ MORE HERE!](#)



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



Urgency Legislation Creates Mid-Year Changes in Law

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AB 984 (Chapter 169, Statutes of 2017)

Civil: frivolous actions or tactics

Operative 8/7/2017 “In order to avoid further confusion or inconsistent decisions among courts regarding the application of Section 128.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 425 of the Statutes of 2014, including, among other things, the standards, conditions, and procedures that must be applied and whether the statute applies to a case that was filed on or after January 1, 2015, instead of applying to a case pending as of January 1, 2015; to apply the statute equally to similarly situated parties; and to prevent further injustice, as quickly as possible, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately” [SEC. 3. of AB 984]

Summary: Amends current law contained in CCP § 128.5 to clarify the standards which apply to situations when an attorney's actions or tactics are found to be made in bad faith, and that these sanctions apply to cases filed after January 1, 2015. [READ MORE HERE!](#)

SB 725 (Chapter 179, Statutes of 2017)

Veterans: pretrial diversion: DUI

Operative 8/7/2017 “In order to resolve conflicting interpretations of existing law at issue in pending cases that may affect the rights and liberties of veterans at the earliest time possible, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately” [SEC. 2 of SB 725]

Summary: Provides that a trial court may grant pretrial military diversion under Penal Code § 1001.80 on a misdemeanor charge of DUI (VC § 23152) or of DUI causing injury (VC § 23153), to a veteran or current member of the military who is suffering from sexual trauma, traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, or mental health problems as a result of his or her military service. States that participation in the military diversion program does not limit the Department of Motor Vehicles' ability to

More Court –Related Legislative Updates

Status of Legislation that Could Affect the Courts

Judicial Council Governmental Affairs maintains a chart on the [Court-Related Legislation](#) page that shows the [status of legislation](#) the council's Policy Coordination and Liaison Committee has taken a position on.

take administrative sanctions against the person's driver's license. [READ MORE HERE!](#)

Other California Legislation: Click on links to read about other interesting California legislation in the works...

SACRAMENTO - Police video recordings can't help with public oversight of law enforcement agencies if they are kept secret, a California legislative panel recently decided. State lawmakers advanced legislation that would require law enforcement agencies to generally release body camera video and recordings of fatal police shootings and other significant incidents. But it's still a long way from final legislative approval. [READ MORE HERE!](#)



DMV Updates



Discontinuing Reporting to Failure to Pay

DATE: 7/17/17

PURPOSE:

To advise courts of changes to reporting failure to pay (FTP) violations to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) under California Vehicle Code (CVC) §§40509 and 40509.5.

BACKGROUND

CVC §§40509 and 40509.5 authorized courts to notify DMV when a person fails to pay a fine or bail with respect to various violations relating to driving. Additionally, under the provisions of CVC §13365, DMV is required to suspend a person's driving privilege when an FTP is updated on a driver record with a pre-existing FTP or failure to appear (FTA) violation, or when the FTP violation was reported pursuant to CVC §40509.5.

NEW INFORMATION

Effective June 27, 2017, Assembly Bill 103 repeals the courts' authority to report FTP violations to DMV pursuant to CVC §§40509 and 40509.5. The new law also repeals DMV's authority to suspend a person's driving privilege based upon notice of an FTP violation pursuant to CVC §13365.

PROCEDURE

Effective immediately, courts are to discontinue reporting FTP violations to DMV. Most courts no longer have access to update FTP violations. DMV disabled the courts ability to update FTP violations (DD3 and DE3). If a court attempts to update an FTP violation, the following error message will display "UNAUTHORIZED TRANSACTION CODE". Courts that process updates via overnight batch processing (D13) using secure file transfer (SFT) and courts that submit hard copy abstracts to DMV need to discontinue reporting FTP violations immediately. Additionally, DMV is no longer updating FTP violations submitted via hard copy abstracts.

Note: The new law does not affect the courts' authority to report FTA violations or convictions. Therefore, courts should adhere to existing procedures for reporting FTA violations and convictions to DMV.

Commercial Driver License Program Update

DATE 8/17/17

PURPOSE:

To inform courts of the new Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) and Commercial Driver License (CDL) information.

BACKGROUND

Federal regulations set the standards for the issuance of a CLP/CDL. Programming allows the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to comply with the federal requirements.

NEW INFORMATION

Effective May 10, 2017, the use of the CLP label has been discontinued. The information from the label will now be displayed on the CLP.

- An existing label on a CLP may be valid until November 5, 2017.
- When issuing a Limited Term CLP, DMV will line out the expiration date and write the date the legal presence document expires below the lined-out date if less than 180 days. The CLP is only valid as long as the underlying driving privilege is valid (See attached sample).

A passenger vehicle (PV) endorsement is allowed on a commercial Class C driver license.

Questions regarding this information may be directed to the Justice and Government Liaison Branch at (916) 657-7732 or via email at jagcourt@dmv.ca.gov



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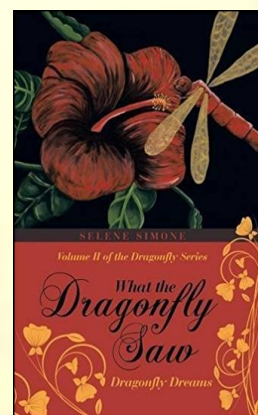
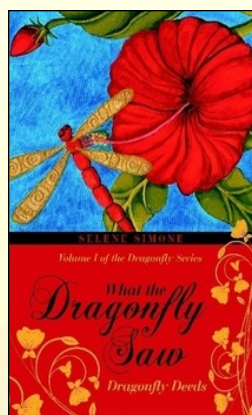
Spotlight

Meet The Author

Cynthia K. Cullen Sandoval has been a Civil Deputy Clerk III with Sacramento Superior Court for 13 years, and a member of the CCA for most of that time benefitting greatly from her experiences with the training and fellowship of clerks from around the state. She believes the CCA provides a valuable and viable service to all court employees and admires their dedication to serve above and beyond on top of their daily service to the public. She has covered many desks during her career from processing mail in the basement to covering the trial setting calendar on the bench for past presiding judges. She takes her duties as a deputy clerk seriously and will tell you, "Every document I process and every phone call I answer is someone's life, someone's financial viability, and someone's trust. I will always do my best to honor the commitment of my station regardless of the challenges."



What the Dragonfly Saw—Volumes 1 and II



In her spare time she enjoys a different challenge. She has always enjoyed writing and when a co-worker told her about NaNoWriMo, (a free annual 30 day writing exercise held each November); she thought she would give it a try. It started with a dragonfly in her backyard, which led to a poem that became part of another story line she used for the NaNoWriMo 2012 contest. After 30 days she had 65,000 words and the beginnings of what would become "What the Dragonfly Saw." She decided to self-publish the finished product through LuLu.com. In March of 2015 she published "What the Dragonfly Saw: Volume I Dragonfly Deeds," under the pen name Selene Simone. It covers about 270 years of the lives and times of the Danetrees and their extended family from France in 1742 to Southern Louisiana present day. "The last heiress of Greyfriars, Miss Juliette Danetree, must return to her family home on the Bayou Teche to settle the estate but finds lies, a curse, and deceptions that hang heavy like Spanish moss on all of the branches of her ancestral tree rooted deeply in mayhem, madness, and murder on the bayou. Volume II was released in 2016 and III will be released in 2018. Volumes I and II are available on Kindle, Nook, ePub, iBook, B&N, Amazon.com, and LuLu.com. She encourages you all to try NaNoWriMo this November and create something special for the entire world to read.

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Barbara Richards Looks Back at Career



Greetings CCA Members:

I am sure many of you know Barbara Richards who has been a CCA member for 35 years. She recently retired from Solano Court, and I wanted to share an article from Solano's newsletter about Barbara....enjoy!

“Barbara Richards *wraps up 35 years as a court employee this month. The Court has seen many changes during her time. Back then, Criminal division was located across the hall from Judge Kinnicutt's courtroom on the second floor of the Hall of Justice. The office was staffed by a manager, a criminal supervisor, 3 clerks, a calendar supervisor and 3 calendar clerks. Back in 1982, electric typewriters were the new technology. Most processing was done by handwriting. Indexes were typed based on handwritten*

case information logged in a steno pad. In closed cases, dockets and paperwork were filed separately in increments of 50 dockets and increments of 10 cases. File space was limited and overflowed into boxes. It wasn't until 1994 that the court got its first case management system—Blackstone. Five years later, the court transitioned to a system called Banner, now known as Contexte. In 1989, the division moved to the Law and Justice building. In 2010, that space was demolished and remodeled to be 2 courtrooms and the division moved to its current location in the Hall of Justice, formerly occupied by the District Attorney's office. In 2015, Criminal and Traffic divisions were combined. Barbara has worked with many attorneys who are now on the bench, Judges Bowers, Foor, Frachia, Getty, Gutierrez, Healy, Ichikawa, Kinnicutt, Nelson, and Commissioner Warshawsky. Thank you for your service to the citizens of Solano County.”

On a personal note, I'm just so proud of her. I have to share with you that she never called in for a sick day during her career.

On behalf of CCA, we wish Barbara the very best for the next chapter of her life!!!

BARBARA WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER
OF CCA FOR 35 YEARS AND
WENT TO MANY TRAININGS OVER
THE YEARS. BARB WAS VERY
INVOLVED IN HOSTING THE
SOLANO CONVENTION.
WE WILL MISS HER DEARLY.

DEANNA SIMAS

Judge Forces Defendant to Remove Bags of Weed From Underwear

Back in May, 2016, Hamilton County, Ohio, Judge Bernie Bouchard was not amused to enter his courtroom and be smacked in the face with the stench of marijuana. He gave whoever was holding the contraband the opportunity to come forward before bringing in the drug dogs. Lo and behold, the offender was none other than the defendant, Darius Dabney, prompting the following delightful exchange:

THE COURT: What time did you smoke it?

MR. DABNEY: like since 9:00, 9:15. I'll be honest about that....

THE COURT: What's your name? Do you remember that?

MR. DABNEY: I don't know that right now.

THE COURT: Now, listen to me, Mr. Dabney. If you got it on you it's going to be a felony when they strip you over there so I'll give you one last time to tell me if you have any unburnt marijuana on you. I'm giving you — oh, ah-ha.

(Defendant pulled a bag of marijuana out of his pants.)

THE COURT: Okay. So finally you came clean. If there's anything else, this is your opportunity. We're going to destroy it. Are you sure?

(Defendant pulled another bag of marijuana out of his pants.)

THE COURT: Mr. Dabney, I'm telling you — now why would you do that? Why would you bring that much pot to court?

THE DEFENDANT: I forgot it in my car, sir.

THE COURT: You forgot it in your underwear.



Drunk Juror *Believe It or Not!*

Dallas News reported on July 14, 2017 that a Smith County, TX prospective juror was arrested while reporting for jury service. Smith County sheriff's deputies noticed that defendant was stumbling in the jury room. He later admitted that he had beer in a Coca Cola cup. Defendant was charged with public intoxication.



The Word Search

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Greetings from the CCA Communication Committee:

It was great to see everyone at the CCA Convention. The Communications Committee was proud to introduce you to our new photographer, Joshua Villa, from Riverside County and to John Wilson, our multimedia guru. I hope you all had the opportunity to meet both of them. John and Joshua provided excellent coverage of the event by way of photography and video, and we look forward to sharing more of their talented and creative work with you soon. Many of you know Juan Jaquez from Ventura County, and he was also "snapping" away capturing highlights of the convention and serving as the Minute Book's field reporter. In 2017-2018, the Communications Committee will focus its efforts on building a vibrant online presence. Improving the functionality of our website will be primary with special attention paid to the Membership, Education and Resources sections. The committee will also participate in the development of additional content for the website, as well as marketing collateral to support membership growth. Additional projects will include policy development for various types of communications. Teresa Rodriguez remains behind the scenes here in Ventura assisting me with all of the graphic details and layout design for each issue.

Publications

CCA's quarterly online publication *The Minute Book* is delivered each quarter to CCA's membership via electronic delivery. As a member benefit, *The Minute Book* serves to inform our members about current activities, announcements about CCA events, updates regarding committee work and so much more.

Facebook

We are excited to announce that CCA will go live with its new Facebook page on Friday, September 8, 2017. Weekly posts will share community news, leverage Up-to-the-Minute content, share news and photos from all California Courts. We hope the Facebook page will be a vibrant space for sharing information serve as another avenue to connect with our community directing interested individuals to CCA's website. Teresa Rodriguez (Ventura County) will be the main administrator for the CCA Facebook and Twitter pages, so if you have any questions, please email her by clicking on her photo above!

Twitter

CCA plans on joining the world of Twitter in the very near future. We hope Twitter will also provide a reliable source of news and updates from the world of CCA and another way to promote CCA's Mission Statement. Stay tuned!

The Communications Committee continues to stay busy working on all of these projects and more. We will keep you posted on all of our future projects that are "in the tube"! Stay tuned for "LinkedIn and Instagram in the future!"

Finally, as you know, CCA Member Roxanne Russell and former CCA Photographer of Ventura County has taken a very well-deserved break from CCA photography to spend more time with her family. CCA and the Communications Committee want to extend a very special thank you to Roxanne for all of her hard work and beautiful photography she has contributed to CCA over the last decade. Roxanne's photography took the Minute Book to a completely new level over the last 10 years, and we are forever grateful to her for her time and talent.





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