Mission & Goals

The Women's Section has been a strong presence in CCCBA for over 25 years and welcomes men and women practicing in all areas of the law who work or live in Contra Costa County.

The goal of the section is to further the advancement of women in the legal profession and the judiciary. To do so, the Section offers frequent networking opportunities, such as "Power Lunches" and happy hours, MCLE classes with notable and relevant speakers, and fundraising and community events, such as the Honorable Patricia Herron and Honorable Ellen James Scholarship, and an annual Awards Dinner.

For membership information, please contact Jennifer Comages, Membership Director for the Contra Costa County Bar Association via email at icomages@cccba.org.



Contra Costa County Bar Association

FEBRUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the February 2019 Women's Section Newsletter! Thank you for taking time to learn about our upcoming events, awards, and members!

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

We love to celebrate the accomplishments of our members!

 Congratulations to the CCCBA 2018 Diversity Award winners!

Platinum Level

M.S. Domingo Law, Littler Mendelson, Pearson & Schachter, Quarles & Brady LLP, and Santaella & Jahangiri, LLP

Gold Level

Law Office of Ariel Brownell, Cooper, White & Cooper LLP, Hanson Bridgett LLP, Leoni Law, Livingston Law Firm, Miller Starr Regalia, Mora Employment Law, and SC Selleck Law

Silver Level

Law Offices of Natasha S. Chee, Law Office of Marjorie Wallace, and Washington & Associates

2018 Board

<u>Officers</u> Patanisha Davis-Jenkins, President Key Counsel, P.C.

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- Erika McKenna became partner at Buchman Provine Brothers Smith LLP during the same week she gave birth her second child.
- Inga M. Miller of Miller Property Law is now the Mayor of the City of Orinda. She was appointed to the post by her fellow members on the Orinda City Council. Miller was elected in 2016 to the City Council seat vacated by thenretiring Women's Section Member and former Orinda Mayor Victoria Robinson Smith.

Please share news about other Section Members with us at <u>cccbawomenssection@gmail.com</u>. We want to celebrate you!

POWER LUNCH AND HAPPY HOUR SUGGESTIONS WANTED!

We are looking for suggestions of locations in East County and West County to hold our Power Lunches and Happy Hours. Please email <u>CCCBAWomensSection@gmail.com</u> with your suggestions.

UPCOMING SECTION EVENTS

First Power Lunch of the Year

Come join us at the First Power Lunch of the Year. It will be held at Tender Greens in Walnut Creek on February 19^{th} from 11:30 AM – 1 PM. We are looking forward to continuing the tradition of socializing and networking together with our members.

Save the Date for the Women's Section Annual Wine Auction & Scholarship Fundraiser

Save the date for the Women's Section Annual Wine Auction & Fundraiser. This exciting and worthwhile event will be held on April 17th at the Round Hill Country Club in Alamo.

Save the Date for the Family Fun Day Picnic at Pleasant Hill Park on July 21, 2019

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

We encourage our members to reach out to neighboring associations to network and meet others in our area! Also included are other CCCBA Events!

The CCCBA Appellate Section is sponsoring "Puttin' on the Writs"

Wednesday, February 27, 11:45 am – 1:15 pm This program will focus on what to consider when deciding whether to file a writ petition, and how to maximize the likelihood of success on the petition.

Register here: http://www.cccba.org/attorney/calendar/event.php?id=12458

<u>The Contra Costa District Attorneys' Association</u> Invites you to the 7th Annual Partners for Justice Benefit for Community Violence Solutions on March 28, 2019 at the Lafayette Park Hotel. See website for more information and tickets: <u>http://www.contracostaprosecutors.com/</u>

ODDS & ENDS

The Women's Section is looking for one more board member. Please contact <u>cccbawomenssection@gmail.com for more</u> <u>information.</u>



Wine glasses for sale! The Women's Section is selling our signature stemless wine glasses for the low price of \$5 each! All proceeds go to our scholarship fund. Contact us at <u>cccbawomenssection@gmail.com</u> to place your order today! <u>Offices for Sublease</u>: Walnut Creek offices for sublease. Please contact <u>lisa@mwlawca.com</u> or <u>christina@mwlawca.com</u> for more information.

Looking for employment?

Mendes Weed, LLP is hiring an associate and an administrative assistant. Please contact <u>lisa@mwlawca.com</u> or <u>christina@mwlawca.com</u> for more information.

Leoni Law is hiring an associate. Please contact admin@leonilawfirm.com for more information.

Key Counsel, P.C. is hiring an associate and an administrative assistant. Please contact pat@keycounselpc.com for more information.

FEEDBACK

We would love to hear from you! Please send event ideas or any information and feedback about the Section to us at <u>cccbawomenssection@gmail.com</u>. We hope you have enjoyed the February Women's Section Newsletter!