

## Mission & Goals

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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 [jcomages@cccba.org](mailto:jcomages@cccba.org).



# Women's Section

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Contra Costa County Bar Association

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## MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER

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

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## ANNUAL WINE AUCTION

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Thank you to everyone who attended, donated, sponsored, bid and otherwise assisted in putting on this wonderful event. It truly was an amazing evening raising money for the scholarship to help support deserving law students.



## 2018 Board

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## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

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Summer Selleck was recently awarded the 2019 Excellence in Service Award by the Solo and Small Firm Section of the California Lawyers Association. The Solo and Small Firm Section of the California Lawyers Association presents its Excellence in Service Award to honor a solo or small firm attorney who has devoted significant service to the public and/or legal community. Congratulations Summer!



Please share news about other Section Members with us at [cccbawomenssection@gmail.com](mailto:cccbawomenssection@gmail.com). We want to celebrate you!

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## UPCOMING SECTION EVENTS

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### Happy Hour

Come join us at the next Happy Hour. It will be held at Smith's Landing in Antioch on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 5 PM – 8 PM. We are looking forward to continuing the tradition of socializing and networking together with our members.

### Power Lunch

Come join us at our next Power Lunch. It will be held at Tender Greens in Walnut Creek on July 9<sup>th</sup> 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 2019 Women's Section  
Annual Luncheon with the Honorable Wendy  
McGuire Coats on June 27, 2019

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

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## OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

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We encourage our members to reach out to neighboring associations to network and meet others in our area!

The Women Lawyers of Alameda County Spring Reception is on May 9, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House. There will be plenty of time for drinks, heavy appetizers and to socialize with your fellow Alameda County judicial officers and practitioners. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Margaret A. Gannon Legal Education Stipends to four local law students. The stipends which were named in honor of former WLAC President Margaret Gannon help deserving law students trying to survive the financial rigors of the bar exam. This event is free for members. Non-members can purchase tickets for \$25 at the door. RSVP to [womenlawyers@gmail.com](mailto:womenlawyers@gmail.com) by May 6, 2019.

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## SCHOLARSHIP

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Calling all law students! It's time to apply for The Honorable Patricia Herron and The Honorable Ellen James Scholarship. Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Applications are due by September 13, 2019. Recipients must attend the Scholarship Dinner at Scott's Seafood in Walnut Creek on October 17, 2019. All interested applicants please email Crystal Van Der Putten at [cvanderputten@livingstonlawyers.com](mailto:cvanderputten@livingstonlawyers.com) for an application.

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## ODDS & ENDS

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The Women's Section is looking for one more board member. Please contact [cccbawomenssection@gmail.com](mailto:cccbawomenssection@gmail.com) for more information.



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 [cccbawomenssection@gmail.com](mailto:cccbawomenssection@gmail.com) to place your order today!

### Offices for Sublease:

Walnut Creek office work space available for sublease.  
150 N. Wiget Lane, Suite 105

Large conference room, break room, work station outside office included in rent. Assistant at door to greet visitors.  
Notary on premises.

Rent offered between \$700 and \$900 for office styles.

Contact [summercselleck@gmail.com](mailto:summercselleck@gmail.com) for more information.

Looking for employment?

**Pearson & Schachter** is hiring a receptionist. Please contact [rpearson@pearsonschachterlaw.com](mailto:rpearson@pearsonschachterlaw.com) for more information.

**Leoni Law** is hiring an associate. Please contact [admin@leonilawfirm.com](mailto:admin@leonilawfirm.com) for more information.

**Key Counsel, P.C.** is hiring two associate general practitioners and a paralegal. Please contact [pat@keycounselpc.com](mailto:pat@keycounselpc.com) for more information.

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## FEEDBACK

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We would love to hear from you! Please send event ideas or any information and feedback about the Section to us at [ccbawomenssection@gmail.com](mailto:ccbawomenssection@gmail.com). We hope you have enjoyed the May Women's Section Newsletter!