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SAN FRANCISCO SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES JOIN CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, ATTORNEYS FOR DIVERSITY EVENT TO ENCOURAGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO CONSIDER LAW PROFESSION

SAN FRANCISCO -- Forty Balboa High School students are invited to the San Francisco Superior Court on November 9 to attend the Color of Justice Program.

Presented by the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ), the event will promote diversity in the legal profession and encourage the students to consider a career in the law field. The program begins at 9 a.m. in Department 602 of the Civic Center Courthouse, 400 McAllister St. in San Francisco. The event, which ends at Noon, features a panel discussion with attorneys; a panel discussion with Judges, including Supreme Court Associate Justice Ming Chin and Martin Jenkins, Justice of the California Court of Appeal for the First District; a mock legal proceeding; and lunch with small group discussions with Judges and attorneys.

"The San Francisco Superior Court Bench is among the most diverse of any Bench, which reflects the rich diversity of the San Francisco community," said San Francisco Superior Court Judge Charlene Padovani Kiesselbach, a member of NAWJ. "Mentors are the reason many of our Judges and attorneys have achieved success in their careers. Now it is our turn to promote the same opportunities for San Francisco high school students."

The event is sponsored by Filice, Brown, Eassa & McLeod LLP; Robbins Family Law; and

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Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold LLP. Co-sponsors of the program are the Queen's Bench Bar Association; California Women Lawyers; and Golden Gate University. Presiding Judge-Elect Katherine Feinstein and Judge Kiesselbach will provide introductory remarks at 9 a.m.

Permission to photograph or film the event must be obtained in advance through the Court's Communications Director Ann E. Donlan.

The program and participants are as follows:

THE COLOR OF JUSTICE

Presented By:

The National Association of Women Judges

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San Francisco Superior Court
Civic Center Courthouse
400 McAllister Street
San Francisco, California

November 9, 2010
In Department 602

9:00 a.m. **Introduction and Welcoming Remarks:**

Hon. Charlene Padovani Kiesselbach, *San Francisco Superior Court Judge*

Hon. Katherine Feinstein, Assistant Presiding Judge, *San Francisco Superior Court*

9:15 a.m.-10 a.m. **ATTORNEY PANEL: *A Career In Law***

Moderator: Drucilla Stender Ramey, *Dean, Golden Gate University School of Law*

Panelists: Eugene Brown, *Filice, Brown, Eassa & McLeod LLP*

Kevin Fong, *Pillsbury, Winthrop, Shaw & Pittman LLP*

Arturo J. Gonzalez, *Morrison & Foerster LLP*

Bobbie Wilson, *Perkins Coie LLP*

10 a.m.-10:15 a.m. **Break**

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10:15 a.m.-11 a.m. **JUDGES' PANEL:** ***View From The Bench***

Moderator: Hon. Charlene Padovani Kiesselbach, *San Francisco Superior Court Judge*

Panelists: Hon. Ming Chin, *Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California*

Hon. Martin Jenkins, *Associate Justice of the California Court of Appeal*

Hon. Brenda Harbin-Forte, *Alameda County Superior Court Judge*

Hon. Suzanne Ramos Bolanos, *San Francisco Superior Court Judge*

11 a.m.-11:30 a.m. **Enactment of Legal Proceeding**
Introduction by Eliza Rodrigues, *Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold LLP*

Motion to Suppress Evidence: **(In Re Dennis):**
Arguing for The People: Ana Gonzalez, *Assistant District Attorney, San Francisco District Attorney's Office*
Arguing for Dennis: Alfred Vea, Jr., *Criminal Defense Attorney, Law Office of Alfredo Vea, Jr*

11:30 a.m.-Noon **Leveling With the Bench and Bar: Luncheon Discussion**

Hon. Charlene Padovani Kiesselbach, *San Francisco Superior Court Judge*

Group 1 (Room 501): Hon. Suzanne Ramos Bolanos, *San Francisco Superior Court Judge*

Mathew Watts, *2010 Graduate, Hastings College of Law*

Group 2 (Room 509): Drucilla Stender Ramey, *Dean, Golden Gate University School of Law*
Reid Shannon, *2010 Graduate, Hastings College of Law*

Group 3 (Room 602): Ana Gonzalez, *Assistant District Attorney, San Francisco District Attorney's Office*
May Shin, *Class of 2012, Hastings College of Law*
Prudence Hutton, *Attorney at Law, Central California Legal Services*

Group 4 (Room 604): Alfred Vea, Jr., *Criminal Defense Attorney, Law Office of Alfredo Vea, Jr.*
Amee Mikacich, *Filice, Brown, Eassa & McLeod LLP*
Engy Elrefaie, *2010 Graduate, Hastings College of Law*

Group 5 (Room 640): Kelly Robbins, *Robbins Family Law*
Eliza Rodrigues, *Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold LLP*
Carol Copsey, *Gordon and Rees LLP*

Noon **Return to Room 602 for Farewell Comments and Gift**

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