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President's Column

Casey Aitchison, MCBA President

Welcome to the July 2018 edition of the Mariposa County Bar Association's (MCBA) monthly Newsletter. The MCBA is off to a great start in 2018. As noted by Judge Fagalde at our last meeting, attendance is higher than it has ever been! We have a great deal in store for you over the next few months!



Our regular luncheon meetings are at the Miner's Roadhouse 140 at noon on the second Monday of the month. Each attendee is invited to order lunch from the regular menu at their own cost.

We were honored to have Judge Fagalde as our guest speaker at our last luncheon, with a presentation regarding changes in the laws regarding Behavioral Health. We learned from Judge Fagalde that the guidelines for the medical use of marijuana were revised by the Medical Board of California in April 2018. The Court considers these guidelines in relevant cases. The Guidelines may be found at this web site: http://www.mbc.ca.gov/Publications/guidelines_cannabis_recommendation.pdf

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 13, 2018 at the Miner's Roadhouse 140 with speaker, David Mann of The Other Bar providing 1 hour of MCLE credit in the required area of Competence/Substance Abuse. Everyone is invited to attend! We request that you RSVP by emailing MCBA@MariposaBar.org. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required.

Don't forget to visit our new web site at www.MariposaBar.org! That is where you will find the latest on the event schedule and our list of members. For those who have yet to join, use the application there (or attached to this Newsletter) and send in your dues for 2018! It's just \$35 for the remainder of the year, and it includes a listing on our new web site.



Attend Our August 13, 2018 Luncheon for 1 Hour MCLE Credit in Substance Abuse!

We are excited to have David Mann of The Other Bar as our guest speaker for our luncheon meeting on August 13, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Miner's Roadhouse 140, banquet room. Mr. Mann will provide a presentation entitled Competence: Substance Abuse in the Legal Profession.

In this presentation, Mr. Mann provides a review of the brain chemistry of addiction and alcoholism, as well as a discussion of the behavioral and health consequences of the disease. Insights are offered into the personality traits of attorneys and the qualities of the legal profession that combine to make lawyers significantly more susceptible to addiction, and more difficult to treat, than the general population.



The presentation identifies and discusses the detection of substance abuse issues that impair an attorney's ability to perform legal services with competence. It includes a case study of an addict attorney, as well as a self-diagnosis exercise for attorneys to utilize if they are concerned that they may have a problem which needs to be addressed.

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2018 MCBA Officers

President: Casey Aitchison

Vice President: Wayne Green

Secretary: Anita Starchman Bryant

Treasurer: Skye Emery

An election for the 2019 Officers will be in November 2018 with the new panel of officers being installed in January 2019. **If you would like to serve as an MCBA Officer, email us at MCBA@MariposaBar.org!**

August 13, 2018 Luncheon, *continued*

Concluding remarks are directed towards both systemic and individual solutions to the problem, with references to specific strategies and resources available. Mr. Mann approaches this very serious topic in a manner that incorporates humor and irony and invites attorneys to engage in a bit of sometimes much-needed self reflection.

David Mann is a graduate of Ohio State University and Stanford Law School. He served as a Deputy Public Defender in San Francisco before becoming a solo criminal defense practitioner. After 12 years of practice, substance abuse-related issues caused him to resign from the bar with disciplinary charges pending. Following a relentless battle with addiction which included numerous hospitalizations and periods of living on the streets, he succeeded in getting clean and sober in 1998. Since then he has worked, among other things, as a cab driver, a private investigator, a paralegal, and a drug and alcohol rehabilitation counselor.



Mr. Mann presently serves as the Northern California Consultant to The Other Bar, a statewide organization of recovering attorneys, judges, and law students. In this capacity, he spends his time providing outreach and education to the legal community, and assisting attorneys as they struggle with substance abuse and related challenges that threaten their ability and/or eligibility to practice law.

This 1 hour MCLE credit in Competence/Substance Abuse is provided free to MCBA members (for non-members it is \$10.00). RSVP by replying to this email at MCBA@MariposaBar.org. Everyone is welcome to attend. Membership for 2018 is \$35.00 if you would like to join, and includes a listing on our new website at www.MariposaBar.org.

The MCBA is applying to the California State Bar for its MCLE Provider Certification for this luncheon. Our Provider Certification has not yet been approved. If we do not receive approval, The Other Bar is a certified MCLE provider (#10821) and will provide the 1 hour MCLE Credit for the luncheon.

Mark Your Calendars for Our Upcoming Meetings

The MCBA has a great deal in store for the remainder of 2018. Our regular meetings are at noon on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Miner's Roadhouse 140, banquet room. However, due to the Court holidays in October and November 2018, as well as Thanksgiving week, we have scheduled our meetings for alternate days during those months.

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings. The atmosphere is always fun, and we welcome new members. Mark your calendars for these upcoming presentations which promise to be very informative:

August 13, 2018 (Monday)

Luncheon Meeting – Speaker David Mann of The Other Bar, providing 1 hour of MCLE credit in Competence/Substance Abuse

September 10, 2018 (Monday)

Luncheon Meeting – Speaker Cory Hamma, Director of Digital Forensics, Sacramento, providing 1 hour of MCLE credit in Ethics with a presentation on Ethics and Electronically Stored Information.

October 15, 2018 (Monday)

Luncheon Meeting – Speaker Doug Binnewies, Mariposa County Sheriff, speaking about the new laws that affect Mariposa County

November 15, 2018 (Thursday)

Luncheon meeting: 1 MCLE credit, in a topic TBA

2018 Membership List

Thank you to those who have already paid their 2018 membership dues:

Casey Aitchison	Steven W. Dahlem
Nanette Beaumont	Skye Emery
Anita Starchman Bryant	Kimberly G. Flores
Gregory M. Chappel	Edward J. Johnson
Russell D. Cook	Elizabeth Waldow

If you haven't already paid your 2018 dues, please bring payment to the next luncheon, or mail it in with your application to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338. The application is available at www.MariposaBar.org.

Sidebar

On May 23, 2018, the Supreme Court issued California Rule of Court, Rule 9.9.5, requiring the re-fingerprinting of most active attorneys licensed in California, effective June 1, 2018. The deadline to submit proof that you have been fingerprinted is April 30, 2019.

Failure to follow these instructions may be considered non-compliance with the California State Bar fingerprinting rule requirements and may subject attorneys to penalties.

To obtain the form for your livescan, you must log into your State Bar account and download the form. Each attorney's form will contain a unique identification number assigned by the DOJ. Once you have downloaded your form, you must have your livescan performed by an authorized vendor. Complete and detailed instructions for this process may be found at the following State Bar web site: <http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Attorneys/Attorney-Regulation/Fingerprinting-Rule-Requirements/For-In-State-Attorneys>



The livescan vendor will collect the \$49 fee for the FBI and DOJ background checks. Each vendor charges an additional “rolling” fee for conducting the scan, which ranges from \$5 to \$75. The most reasonably priced vendor in a several county area is our own Mariposa County Sheriff's Department, which charges only \$5.00 for the rolling fee. Thank you Mariposa County Sheriff's Department, the Mariposa County Bar Association Salutes you!

For more information, please go to your My State Bar Profile and the Fingerprinting Rule Requirements.



Mariposa Courthouse, circa 1880 (OAC photo)

MARIPOSA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Membership Application - 2018

2018 dues: \$35.00

Please mail the completed application and dues payable to:
Mariposa County Bar Association
P.O. Box 628
Mariposa, CA 95338

The following data will be used for your Member Information of the MCBA records.
Please indicate what information you would like included on the public web site.

	Include on Website?	
	Yes	No
Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bar#: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Firm Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Address: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phone: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fax: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Areas of Practice: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Languages: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Free Consultations: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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