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President's Column

Casey Aitchison, MCBA President

Welcome to the August 2018 edition of the Mariposa County Bar Association's (MCBA) monthly Newsletter! At our August meeting, attendees earned one hour of MCLE credit in Substance Abuse/Competence,



the presentation of David Mann of The Other Bar. Mr. Mann, a graduate of Stanford Law School, provided a fascinating and informative presentation regarding the prevalence and identification of substance abuse in the legal professions. His course material may be found on the MCBA website here:

https://mariposabar.org/mcba-mcle-materials/

The MCBA's regular luncheon meetings are held in the banquet room of the Miner's Roadhouse 140 at noon on the second Monday of the month, unless an alternate date is necessary due to a Court holiday. Each attendee is invited to order lunch from the regular menu at their own cost.

Our next meeting will be Monday, September 10, 2018 at the Miner's Roadhouse 140 with speaker, Cory Hamma of Califorensics, providing 1 hour of MCLE credit in the required area of Ethics. Everyone is invited to attend! We request that you RSVP by emailing MCBA@MariposaBar.org. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required, so if you find yourself able to attend the meeting but have not RSVPd, feel free to join us! This is a great opportunity to network and take a break from the day to enjoy lunch with friends.

Also, 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 September 10, 2018 Luncheon for 1 hour MCLE Credit in Ethics!

We are excited to have Cory Hamma of Califorensics, Sacramento, as our guest speaker for our luncheon meeting on September 10, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Miner's Roadhouse 140, banquet room. Mr. Hamma will provide a presentation on Ethics and Electronically Stored Information for one hour of MCLE credit in the required area of Ethics. Mr. Hamma specializes in network security and network forensics at Califorensics.

Previously, Mr. Hamma worked to protect confidential data for more than ten years as IT Director for the California Cancer Registry and regional registries. With a background in practical



application of data security, he analyzes networks and advises clients on the implementation of the latest security best practices. A combined knowledge in network, smartphone, Windows, Linux/UNIX, and application security enables him to consult on a wide variety of technically challenging cases.

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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 held in November 2018 with the new officers being installed in January 2019. If you would like to serve as an MCBA Officer, email us at MCBA@MariposaBar.org!

September 10, 2018 Luncheon, *continued*

Mr. Hamma graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Information Systems Management from the University of California at Santa Cruz and is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional as well as an AccessData Certified Examiner (ACE). **Spoiler Alert**: During his presentation, Mr. Hamma has been known to give pointers on how to determine whether photos and videos have been digitally altered, a fascinating topic for all attorneys, and for prosecutors and criminal defense attorneys in particular.

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



2018 Membership List

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

Casey Aitchison
Nanette Beaumont
Anita Starchman Bryant
Gregory M. Chappel
Russell D. Cook
Thomas Cooke
Steven W. Dahlem
Skye Emery
Kimberly G. Flores
Robert Iwama
Edward J. Johnson
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 attached to this Newsletter or can be downloaded at www.MariposaBar.org.

Mark Your Calendars for Our Upcoming Meetings

The MCBA is on the way to obtaining its status as an MCLE provider. Ultimately, by attending our lunch meetings every month, attendees will be able to fulfill all of the MCLE requirements mandated by the State Bar. 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:

September 10, 2018

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

Luncheon meeting: Speaker Doug Binnewies, Mariposa County Sheriff, speaking about the new laws that affect all attorneys and citizens in Mariposa County

November 15, 2018

Luncheon meeting: 1 MCLE credit, in a topic To Be Announced



"It's 'the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.' It's not a multiple choice question."

Sidebar

Proposal for a Judicial Recall Amendment

The MCBA was asked to notify members of a proposal calling for a State Constitutional Amendment limiting judicial recall to only cases of proven judicial misconduct as determined by the Commission on Judicial Performance. Per the proposal, California voters would be able to vote to elect a Judge, but would not be able to vote for a judicial recall unless the Commission on Judicial Performance first determined there has been misconduct. The proposal is entitled Statement for the Independence of the Judiciary. Anyone interested in learning more about the proposal may do so at this link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qxm5COslHDcxXL0Ll9AcJ_0UFf6SouRptu8iA8Q4d0I/edit?usp=sharing

New Rules of Professional Conduct

On May 10, 2018, the California Supreme Court issued an order approving the new Rules of Professional Conduct, which will go into effect November 1, 2018. The current Rules remain in effect until then.

The California Rules of Professional Conduct use discipline to regulate the professional conduct of attorneys licensed by the State Bar. They have been adopted by the Board of Trustees and approved by the California Supreme Court. The Rules are designed to protect the public and to promote respect and confidence in the legal profession. The Rules and any related standards adopted by the Board of Trustees are binding on all attorneys licensed by the State Bar.

You may view the New Rules by visiting this link: http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Attorneys/Conduct-Discipline/Rules/Rules-of-Professional-Conduct



Mariposa, circa 1866 (note the Courthouse with its new clock tower in the top left)