

# Mariposa County Bar Association

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## President's Column

Casey Archer, MCBA President

The Mariposa County Bar Association ("MCBA") customarily meets on the second Thursday of each month at the Miner's Roadhouse 140. Our meetings have essentially been suspended since April 2020 due to COVID-19, although we are continuing efforts to provide MCLE meetings via webinar. We recently obtained approval from the California State Bar for MCLE credit for an in-person presentation by attorney Russell Cook regarding private mediation. Due to continued social distancing, Mr. Cook is seeking approval from the State Bar to provide a webinar presentation on October 15, 2020. The application for approval is pending with the State Bar.



The MCBA has also been invited by the Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom ("BALIF") to attend an MCLE webinar on October 7, 2020, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. BALIF is a community of LGBTQI+ legal professionals that envisions a world where LGBTQI+ people live with dignity and equality under the law. The webinar will be presented by Alex Binsfeld, the Legal Director of the Transgender, Gender-Variant, & Intersex Justice Project, and will include information about representing transgender, gender-variant, and intersex (TGI) people in California jails and prisons. Anyone interested may email Mr. Binsfeld at [alex@tgijp.org](mailto:alex@tgijp.org), or check the BALIF events calendar where the event will be listed soon at the following link <https://www.balif.org/events>.

MCBA Membership is \$35.00 and includes access to several MCLE credits throughout the year as well as a listing on the MCBA website at [www.MariposaBar.org](http://www.MariposaBar.org). An application may be downloaded at our website and mailed to our PO Box with the yearly dues. Those who are renewing their membership may forego the application and simply send in their dues to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338.

## Mariposa Superior Court News Release

### Mariposa Superior Court To Update Its Computer System

Mariposa Superior Court is pleased to announce that Tyler Technologies, Inc. (Odyssey) has been selected as the vendor for the court's new Case Management System (CMS).

On September 21, 2017 The Judicial Council on behalf of the Superior Courts of California solicited a request for proposal for a new CMS (RFP #TCAS-2017-05-JU).

On February 5, 2018 Tyler was one of four vendors that was issued a notice of intent to award to enter into a Master Service Agreement (MSA) for Court Case Management Systems.

In September 2018 the Judicial Council of California submitted a Budget Change Proposal (BCP #0250-101-BCP-2019-GB) for funding to assist ten trial courts with replacing their legacy CMS.

Together, the Judicial Council of California and Tyler Technologies, signed a Master Services Agreement commencing March 1, 2019 and expiring February 28, 2024 with an option to extend (MSA #MA-2017-13).

In the Budget Act of 2019, the governor approved and signed into law the budget change allowing funding to be distributed for the Mariposa Superior Court CMS. On October 15,

2019 the Judicial Council and the Court Executive Officer signed an Intra-Branch Agreement (IBA-44060) awarding the funding to the Mariposa Superior Court.

After several product demonstrations and much deliberation, Tyler Technologies' Odyssey was selected as the product that would best match the needs of the Mariposa Superior Court. On June 17, 2020 the Court Executive Officer and Tyler finalized and executed the participation addendum.

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## MCBA 2020 Meetings

The MCBA meetings are temporarily suspended due to COVID, but are usually held on the second Thursday of each month at the Miner's Roadhouse 140 banquet room. The following is the 2020 schedule:

### January 9, 2020

Luncheon meeting: Strategic Planning Meeting for 2020

### February 13, 2020

Luncheon meeting: Speaker, Dr. Eric Sergienko, Mariposa County Public Health Officer, regarding COVID-19 and Public Health Law

### March 12, 2020

Luncheon meeting: Judge Michael Fagalde, .5 MCLE credit in Ethics with his presentation "Ethics-A Perspective After Crossing the Divide from Attorney to Judge"

### April 9, 2020

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

### May 14, 2020

Law Day postponed due to COVID-19.

### June 11, 2020

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

### July 9, 2020

Luncheon meeting: 1 hour MCLE credit Webinar with Speaker, Brian Chase, Director of Digital Forensics, with a presentation on "How to Find and Use Location Information in Litigation"

### August 13, 2020

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

### September 10, 2020

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

### October 15, 2020 (tentatively scheduled for the third Thursday)

Luncheon meeting: Speaker, Russell Cook, with a presentation on "Effective Mediations through Zoom."

### November 12, 2020

Luncheon meeting: Speaker, Judge Michael Fagalde

### December 10, 2020

Luncheon meeting: Holiday Luncheon and Judges Appreciation Day

## Mariposa Superior Court News Release, cont.

Since 1999, Mariposa Superior Court has been operating on a mainframe system that is unable to provide necessary data sharing for the court system and keep up with current technologies and efficiencies. Additional applications and products had to be developed over the years to supplement new processes they are becoming outdated and will not be supported in the near future. The new web browser-based system is more configurable, and the court can design the CMS to meet the courts needs now and into the future.

Information will be more accessible to the public, and individuals will be able to obtain data and documents from their homes and offices, and no longer have to travel to the courthouse for basic services. The new CMS will not only increase accessibility it will increase efficiencies of court services. The targeted go live date is 2022.

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## State Bar News

The State Bar of California Department of Legal Specialization has requested the MCBA to disseminate information regarding the State Bar's Legal Specialization program. The Legal Specialization program was created with the purpose to protect the public and continually develop attorneys academically and professionally. It assists in advancing the legal profession and offers an additional opportunity for attorneys to be distinguished in their legal profession, thereby assisting legal professionals in making career development opportunities. All MCBA members are encouraged to look into the State Bar's Legal Specialization Program. For more information, please see the flyer attached to this Newsletter.



## Job Opportunities

# LAW JOBS

### Staff Attorney I/II

Superior Court of the State of California County of Kings (Hanford) - August 18, 2020

Under direction, this professional level position performs a wide range of complex legal research and analysis duties in assistance to judicial officers hearing all case types.

### Deputy County Counsel II/III

Kings County (Hanford) - August 18, 2020

The Deputy County Counsel II/III position will be a general law position responsible for reviewing contracts, responding to subpoenas and requests under the California Public Records Act, and assisting County officials and departments in pursuing code enforcement actions to enforce County codes.

### Equal Justice Works Fellowship

NALC (Clovis) - August 12, 2020

San Joaquin College of Law's New American Legal Clinic is seeking a candidate to apply for an Equal Justice Works Fellowship.



## MCBA Membership List

Thank you to our 2020 members:

Casey Archer  
Nanette M. Beaumont  
Kevin Briggs  
Marvin Brown (retired)  
Anita Starchman Bryant  
Aaron Castleton  
Jeffrey Castleton  
Russell D. Cook  
Thomas K. Cooke  
Steven W. Dahlem  
Skye Emery  
Kimberly G. Flores  
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Robert B. Lindley  
Brent Richardson  
Elizabeth E. Waldow  
Walter Wall

If your name is not on the list and you would like to renew your membership, no application is needed, just send in your payment to our PO Box. For new members who wish to have their information listed on the MCBA website, a Membership Application may be downloaded at [www.MariposaBar.org](http://www.MariposaBar.org) and mailed with your dues to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338.

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## 2020 MCBA Officers



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President



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# The State Bar of California

## Become a certified specialist!

### Specialty Areas

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- Criminal Law
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### Benefits

By becoming a certified specialist, you will be recognized as an expert in your speciality area, show clients that you have taken every step to prove you are the right choice, and sets you apart from attorneys who have not been willing to take this extra step for their clients.

### General Requirements

- Pass the written exam in your specialty area
- Practice law for at least 5 years, 25% of your time in your specialty area
- Complete additional MCLE requirements
- Completion of variety of matters in your specialty area
- Favorable references from judges/attorneys who are familiar with your work in your specialty area