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President's Column

Casey Archer, MCBA President

The Mariposa County Bar Association ("MCBA") in-person meetings have resumed on the second Thursday of each month at the Banquet Room of the Miner's Roadhouse 140.



At our January 2022 meeting, attorney Jeffrey Castleton provided a presentation regarding new software he assisted in developing to keep track of potential jurors during jury selection for trial.

Mark your calendars for our meeting on February 10, 2022, when our speaker will be Mariposa County District Attorney, Walter Wall.

It is time to send in your 2022 dues. MCBA Membership is \$35.00 and includes a listing on the MCBA website at www.MariposaBar.org. For new members, the attached application may be mailed to our PO Box with the yearly dues. If current members would like to maintain membership including their listing on our website, they should send their annual \$35.00 dues to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338.



Walter Wall to Speak at Next Meeting

Mariposa County District Attorney Walter Wall has been a California Attorney for 25 years. Elected on the 5th day of June in 2018, he was sworn in as the 25th District Attorney for Mariposa County District Attorney's Office on January 8, 2019 and has served in that Office since that time, leading the office, including lawyers, investigators, victim witness advocates, and staff. He is currently running for re-election.



Walter Wall, Mariposa County District Attorney

His top priority is keeping Mariposa County safe and secure from criminal activity. District Attorney Wall is committed to safeguarding our county from crimes that threaten our health, well-being, and livelihood.

District Attorney Wall is a certified Criminal Legal Specialist. Criminal legal specialization is a distinction achieved by less than 1% of District Attorneys in California. Criminal legal specialization requires a lengthy resume of trials, legal issues, and experience in criminal law that are realized after a specialized certification examination and presented to the criminal legal specialization division of the California Bar Association, which then confers the specialist on the duly

MCBA 2022 Meetings

The MCBA meets at noon on the second Thursday of each month at the Miner's Roadhouse 140 Banquet Room. The atmosphere is always fun, we welcome new members, and everyone is invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to network and take a break from the day to enjoy lunch with friends and colleagues.



January 13, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker attorney Jeff Castleton on jury selection software

February 10, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker Mariposa County District Attorney, Walter Wall.

March 10, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speakers Suzette Prue and Beth Tomsick on the Ordinance to Save the Hospital.

April 14, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Dr. Shawn Emery, MD, Medical Lab Director for John C. Fremont (Mariposa) and Dignity Health (Merced) on the progression of COVID, updates, and Q&A

May 12, 2022

Annual Law Day Luncheon: Speaker Judge Michael Fagalde on "Toward a More Perfect Union: The Constitution in Times of Change"

June 9, 2022

1 hour MCLE credit Webinar with Speaker Brian Chase of ArcherHall, with a presentation on "Admissibility and Use of Digital Evidence at Trial"

July 14, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker to be announced.

August 11, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker to be announced.

September 8, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker to be announced.

October 13, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker to be announced.

November 10, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Speaker to be announced.

December 8, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Annual Holiday Luncheon and Judges

Appreciation Day

Walter Wall, continued

qualified candidate. Of the elected District Attorneys in California, Mr. Wall is the only one who is a Criminal Legal Specialist.

Walter Wall is a native of California and is a product of California public schools, having graduated from Ventura High School in Ventura, California and California State University at Bakersfield, California. District Attorney Wall received his juris doctorate from Seattle University School of Law in Seattle, Washington and is licensed in the states of California and Pennsylvania.

Over his distinguished career, District Attorney Wall has been the recipient of the Prosecutor of the Year Award (2010). He is active in his community as a regular member of the Mariposa-Yosemite Rotary Club. He has initiated the participation of Mariposa High School in the annual Mock Trial competitions. He is happily married to Christy Wall (30 years) and is the proud father of nine children.



Job Opportunities

Magistrate: Applications are invited for the position of United States Magistrate Judge (Full-Time) for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, San Francisco.

The selection and appointment of a candidate is contingent on the confirmation of Judge Corley as a United States District Judge. Applications must be received by February 28, 2022. Application instructions and forms are available at:

https://cand.uscourts.gov/judges/magistrate-judge-information-and-career-opportunities/

Contract Counsel: Mariposa County is now seeking proposals for contract counsel to provide indigent defense legal services on behalf of the County. The Request for Qualifications can be found at:

http://mariposacounty.org/bids.aspx

2022 MCBA Officers



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MCBA Membership List

Thank you for your 2021 Membership.

2021 Members listed below:

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Walter Wall

It's time to pay your 2022 dues! If you would like to renew your membership and maintain your listing on the MCBA website, you may do so by sending your \$35.00 annual dues to our PO Box. For new members who wish to join and have their information listed on the MCBA website, a Membership Application is attached and may be mailed with your dues to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338.

New California Laws for 2022

Governor Gavin Newsom signed 770 new laws in 2021. Some of them have a window before they take effect, such as mandating mental health instruction in schools and requiring gender-neutral toy sections in stores. However, most of them went into effect on January 1, 2022. Some of the new laws are as follows:

Schools: Middle schools and high schools will soon be required to start class no earlier than 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m., respectively, so that preteens and teenagers can get more sleep. Rural school districts are exempt.

Compost: All California residents and businesses are required to sort their organic waste from the rest. The law will take effect in phases, and fines will start being imposed in 2024.

Minimum wage: Businesses with 26 or more employees are required to pay \$15 per hour minimum wage, more than double the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour. California businesses with fewer than 26 employees will be required to pay \$15 per hour starting in 2023.

Animal Welfare Law: The law passed by voters in 2018 takes effect this year. It mandates that pigs, egg-laying chickens, and veal calves be housed with more room. Many in the pork industry have not made the necessary changes, and are suing for an additional two-year delay.

Removing the word "alien" from California Codes: The word "alien" will be replaced with words like "noncitizen" or "immigrant" so that state laws will better reflect state values.

No unsolicited single use silverware or condiments: As with straws in 2018, effective Junee 1, 2022 restaurants are prohibited from providing single use items such as chopsticks or ketchup packets for take out unless requested. They also are prohibited from packaging plastic silverware in a way that makes it hard to take only what you need.

Rubber bullets and tear gas: Police are now prohibited from using rubber bullets or tear gas to disperse crowds at a protest, or against someone just because they have violated "an imposed curfew, verbal threat, or noncompliance with a law enforcement directive."

MARIPOSA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Membership Application – 2022

2022 dues: \$35.00

Please mail the completed application and dues payable to:
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 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.

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