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President's Column

Casey Archer, MCBA President

The Mariposa County Bar Association ("MCBA") customarily meets at noon on the second Thursday of each month at the Banquet Room of the Miner's Roadhouse 140.



For our June 9, 2022 meeting, the venue will be the second floor of the Mariposa County Courthouse in the Law Library. The MCBA extends a heartfelt thanks to Judge Fagalde for joining us for our meeting and making this venue available. The MCBA will be providing lunch at no cost to all attendees.

The MCBA invites all Mariposa area attorneys and colleagues to join us Thursday, June 9, 2022, for a 1 hour MCLE credit live webinar presentation by digital forensics expert Brian Chase, in the Mariposa County Superior Court Law Library, on the topic "Your Home is Spying on You: A Look at Internet of Things Forensics."

More and more homes contain smart devices: Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Nest Thermostat, Smart TVs, Roombas, and more. These devices store all kinds of activities and send that data to the cloud. This MCLE presentation explores the types of data available, looks at some cases where that data was used, and discusses the law regarding the collection of this type of data. The presentation has been universally acclaimed as extremely informative, educational, and, incorporating a good amount of humor; it has been very well received across the board.

Thank you to those who have sent in their 2022 dues. MCBA Membership is \$35.00 and includes a listing on the MCBA website at www.MariposaBar.org. For new members, the 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, and have not yet sent in their dues, they should send their annual \$35.00 dues to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338.

YOU WILL BE DEARLY MISSED, STEPHANIE PEREZ

It is with heavy hearts that the MCBA announces the passing of attorney Stephanie M. Perez. We lost a respected attorney, member of the MCBA, colleague, and friend. Our thoughts are with her family and friends during this difficult time.

Stephanie M. Perez was born May 10, 1973 and passed away on May 11, 2022. Stephanie grew up in the small community of Le Grand, California. From a young age, Stephanie displayed great academic acumen and a strong desire for knowledge. She was an avid student and excelled in her academics. Stephanie attended



Le Grand Elementary School in her younger years where she took a particular interest in band as a talented drum major. She went on to graduate as Valedictorian of Le Grand High School in 1991. After high school, Stephanie attended the University of California, Davis where she earned her bachelor's degree in Sociology in

Stephanie Perez, May 10, 1973 - May 11, 2022 1996. Stephanie then decided to pursue a career in the practice of law; she attended McGeorge School of Law, obtaining her law degree in 2000.

Stephanie practiced law for over 20 years. She spent several years as an associate attorney at the Law Firm of Morse, Morse

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 guests and 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.

MINER'S ROADHOUSE

140

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

April 14, 2022

Luncheon meeting: Sarah Williams, Mariposa County Planning Director, regarding Code Enforcement

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 – Meeting at the Mariposa Courthouse Law Library, 1 hour MCLE credit Webinar with Speaker Brian Chase of ArcherHall, with a presentation on “Your Home is Spying on You: A Look at Internet of Things Forensics.”

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

& Morse. She then went on to operate as a sole practitioner and eventually opened her own law firm in February 2017.

Stephanie had several accomplishments and passions in life. She took great joy in contributing to her community and always helping those around her. She was an active member of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Merced for many years. She loved dedicating her time to assist operating Kiddieland on the weekends for the youth of Merced. Every year Stephanie would lead a toy drive during Christmas time to donate toys in support of the local firefighter's charity toy drive for children. Stephanie also took delight in regularly supporting and donating to her alma mater, the Le Grand Bulldogs. She truly gave selflessly in all that she could.

Stephanie had a creative mind and was known for her witty rhetoric. She always amazed her family members and friends with her arts and crafts creations, especially her talent for origami. Stephanie greatly appreciated her life with her loved ones and would often return the casual question of, “how are you doing” with her signature response of, “living the dream.”

Above all, Stephanie loved her family fiercely, and she always put her family first. She carried an extremely special place in her heart for her two nieces, Izabel and Emily, who she showered with love. She deeply treasured her family and worked hard to ensure that even through the losses of her grandparents that family traditions carried on in their honor. For Stephanie, family was everything.

Stephanie M. Perez is survived by her loving parents, Rosita M. Perez and Abelardo R. Perez; her sister, Lena Nunez (Frank Nunez); her brothers, Christopher Perez and Michael Perez; her nieces, Izabel Perez and Emily Nunez; and an abundance of aunts, uncles and cousins. Her love and kindness will never be forgotten.



MCBA Membership List

Thank you to those who have paid your 2022 dues.

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If you have not yet paid your 2022 dues, and 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.

2022 MCBA Officers



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Local Attorneys and Judge Address MCHS Seniors

The Honorable Michael A. Fagalde, Mariposa County Superior Court Judge, the Mariposa County District Attorney's Office, McAfee Law Firm, and Starchman & Bryant Attorneys at Law recently presented the program "When You Become 18" at the



Pictured: Left to Right, the Honorable Michael A. Fagalde, Mariposa County Superior Court Judge, attorney Anita Starchman Bryant and MCHS teacher Brooke Collins

Mrs. Brooke Collin's classes.

Judge Fagalde and the attorneys enlightened the senior class on topics concerning their new responsibilities upon reaching the age of 18. A range of issues were addressed including driving under the influence, insurance, rental agreements, credit, working and taxes, crimes and consequences, dealing with domestic violence, civil laws and lawsuits, and finding legal help.



Mariposa County High School. This year marked the 15th year of attorney Anita Starchman Bryant arranging the program. Judge Fagalde, Mariposa County Deputy District Attorney Robert Iwama and attorney Michael McAfee addressed the graduating MCHS seniors in

