



2019 NAALJ Annual Conference

"Celebrating 45 Years Promoting the Independence of the Administrative Law Judiciary, The Sapphire Jubilee: Strategies for Sanity, Safety, and Success in the Hearing Room and Beyond"

October 27-30, 2019

**Marriott San Mateo San Francisco Airport
San Francisco Bay Area, California**

Preliminary Agenda

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Sunday, October 27, 2019

9:00am - 6:00pm

Registration

9:30am - 1:00pm

Early Bird Outing: Walking Tour of San Francisco's Chinatown and traditional Chinese Dim Sum culinary experience (separate registration)

12:00pm – 1:00pm

NAALJ Board of Governor's Meeting & Lunch

1:30pm - 3:00pm

Plenary Session: *Year in Review: Legislation, caselaw, societal developments affecting the independence, workload, and public perception of the Administrative Law Judiciary Panel*
Moderator: Hon. Emily Chafa, Iowa
Welcome: Hon. Mary Li Creasy, NAALJ President
Year in Review Panel

3:15pm - 4:30pm **Plenary Session:** *Safety and Security in the Hearing Room*
Presentation by the American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter

4:30pm – 4:45pm **Sponsor Presentation 1**

5:00pm - 7:00pm **Welcome Reception**

Dinner on Own

Monday, October 28, 2019

8:00am - 9:00am **Breakfast**

9:00am – 10:30am **Plenary Session:** *Judicial Ethics for the Administrative Law Judge: the new model code and state examples, including recent changes in California law*
Moderator: Professor Carol Langford
Superior Court Judge Brenda Harbin-Forte & San Francisco Human Rights Commissioner Karen Clopton

10:30am – 10:45am **Refreshment Break**

10:45am – 12:15pm **Breakout Session 1**
“Reclaiming Our Time:” strategies and techniques for Stress management, coping skills, time management, and statutory deadlines
Barbara Townsend, LFT

Breakout Session 2
NAALJ Strategic Planning Session
Hon. Mary Li Creasy, President
Hon. Selina Malherbe, Immediate Past President
Hon. Elizabeth Figueroa, President Elect

Breakout Session 3
Overcoming Unconscious Bias: Confronting Stereotypes, Archetypes, and Phenotypes with science, technology, and conversation
Speaker: Karen Fleshman, Esq. Racy Conversations

12:30pm - 1:45pm **Luncheon / NAALJ Annual Business Meeting**

2:00pm – 3:30pm **Breakout Session 4**
Judicial Notice, the Guardians of the Record, and the Importance of Cross Examination
Hon. Katherine MacDonald, CPUC

Breakout Session 5

Substance Abuse in the Legal Profession and the Administrative Law Judiciary: Recognition, Resources, and Recovery
Presentation by The Other Bar

Breakout Session 6

Education Law and Students' Rights: what Administrative Law Judges Need to Know
Hon. Selina Malherbe

3:30pm – 3:45pm

Refreshment Break

3:45pm - 5:00pm

Plenary Session: *To Robe or Not to Robe? Informality versus Formality: a panel discussion about the pros and cons of casual informality, accessibility, and the public trust, including robes, gavels, honorifics, and the configuration of the Hearing room.*
Moderator Hon. Anthony Colbert, CPUC

Dinner on Own

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

8:00am - 9:00am

Breakfast

9:00am – 10:30am

Plenary Session: *Fostering Bias-Free Writing and Hearings*

10:30am – 10:45am

Refreshment Break

10:45am – 12:15pm

Breakout Session 7

Beyond the Americans with Disabilities Act: the Accessible Hearing Room and Process
Presentation by the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing

Breakout Session 8

Transgender Rights and Administrative Law
Transgender Law Center Presentation

Breakout Session 9

The Hearsay Rule in Administrative Law
Moderator: Hon. Robert Mason, CPUC

- 12:30pm - 1:45pm **Challenge Grant / Foundation Fellowship Luncheon Presentation**
- 2:00pm – 3:30pm **Breakout Session 10**
Mental Health and Mindfulness: Practical discussion and techniques for maintaining a drama free hearing room and life-
Dr. Robert Foster, Clinical Psychologist and Author
- Breakout Session 11**
The Changing of the Guard: Navigating the Fine Line between Judicial Independence and Political Appointees Panel
Moderator: Hon. Demetrius Shelton, California HSS
- Breakout Session 12**
How the Tech industry is influencing the law, the Administrative Law Judiciary, and judging, what you need to know about Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality, and Technology
Presenter: Naomi Assaraf, Founder and CEO, CloudHQ
- 3:30pm - 3:45pm **Refreshment Break**
- 3:45pm - 4:45pm **Plenary Session: Keynote Karen Korematsu, Learning the Lessons of Yesterday and Applying Them Today**
Karen Korematsu, Founder and Executive Director of the Fred T. Korematsu Institute, and the daughter of the late civil rights icon, dedicated to the advancement of racial equity, social justice and human rights for all.
- 4:45pm – 5:00pm **Conference Wrap-Up/Announcements**
- 6:00pm – 7:00pm **Silent Auction and Reception**
- 7:00pm - 9:00pm **NAALJ Annual Banquet/Installation of New Officers and Board of Governors**

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

- 8:30am – 10:30am **NAALJ Board of Governor's Meeting**