State Bar’s
COVID-19 Information Hub

The State Bar of New Mexico is committed to helping New Mexico lawyers respond optimally to the developing COVID-19 coronavirus situation. Our recommendations are based on advisories from the CDC and other health agencies. To view up-to-date information, please visit nmbar.org/covid-19.

COVID-19 Updates

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DID YOU KNOW?

The Paralegal Division of the State Bar of New Mexico will be celebrating its 25 year anniversary in 2020! On Aug. 26, 1995, the Division’s first organizational meeting was held and its first slate of officers and board members was elected.
MESSAGE FROM NEW MEXICO STATE BAR FOUNDATION CENTER FOR LEGAL EDUCATION

Due to the COVID-19 situation, the New Mexico State Bar Foundation (NMSBF) plans on holding the section annual CLEs remotely through the end of the year. Although we have been providing webcasts since 2006, now having remote learning as a primary option has been a slight adjustment. However, we are seeing that it can actually provide more options to attendees! We have several technology platforms and some include the ability for attendees to “raise their hands” and verbally ask questions. All platforms have a Q&A function in which attendees can type questions for the presenters. Staff are happy to help attendees and speakers learn to use the technology. We are looking forward to a great CLE season! *All dates are subject to change due to ongoing developments with COVID-19*

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Voluntary Service During COVID-19

All of our State Bar groups are fueled by voluntary time and service to strengthening our membership. This is especially true of our sections.

VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS
- Bankruptcy Law
- Children's Law
- Real Property, Trust and Estate

AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS
- Employment and Labor Law
- Family Law
- Indian Law
- Solo and Small Firm
- Public Law

AWARD PLANNING
- Business Law
- Natural Resources, Energy and Environmental Law
- Prosecutors

ACTIVE MEETINGS
- Animal Law
- Appellate Practice
- Cannabis Law
- Elder Law
- Health Law
- Immigration Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- Tax Law

See just a few of the tasks and accomplishments that they have achieved during these unique times.
MEETING DATES
Paralegal Division - Saturday, Sept. 19 at 11 a.m.
Senior Lawyers Division - Tuesday, July 21 at 3:30 p.m.
Young Lawyers Division - Saturday, Aug. 8 at 10 a.m.

SENIOR LAWYERS
Raymond Hamilton Oral History
The Senior Lawyers Division was honored to have had the opportunity to record Raymond (Ray) Hamilton's oral history before his passing. Between co-founding the New Mexico Black Lawyers Association, mentoring diverse law students, serving on various Boards and more, Hamilton was influential in our legal community and his legacy will live on for years to come. Click here to view his video.

PARALEGAL DIVISION
Electronic Discovery and Trial Preparation CLE
Saturday, Sept. 26 • 9 - 12 p.m.
This CLE will focus on preparing for a bench trial with a focus on the use of electronic discovery. Starting with the scheduling order and progressing through the preparation of a trial notebook, we will discuss best practices and challenges on the organization and exchange of electronic discovery, and conducting depositions via electronic services such as Zoom, including challenges and how to overcome them. We will discuss trial notebooks and best practices on what to include and how to organize a trial notebook, whether electronic or hard copy, to serve as an effective tool at trial. For more information, contact Linda Sanders at lsanders2316@gmail.com, or Angela Minefee at angela@l4sb.onmicrosoft.com.
Lunch with Judges

Young Lawyers Division members,

You are invited to attend the first virtual Lunch with Judges event. Please join us for lunch with:

**Justice David K. Thomson**
Thursday, July 16
Noon - 1 p.m.
Via GoToMeeting

Lunch with Judges program is designed to allow YLD members to meet New Mexico judges in an informal setting. Justice David Thomson will discuss with YLD Chair Allison Block-Chavez his career path, work and life as a justice, and the process of becoming a judge or justice. Participants will be able invited to ask Justice Thomson questions.

Please RSVP with Member Services at memberservices@nmbar.org by Wednesday, July 15 to secure your spot.

Podcast Episodes: What I wish I knew

The Young Lawyers Division will begin their podcast subseries of *What I wish I knew.*

The YLD will interview previous YLD chairs who are now established in their practice. Past chairs will share the experiences they had as a young lawyer and what insights they'd like to pass on to the new generation. They'll discuss day-to-day relationships, money, work-life balance and personal and professional growth.

**What I Wish I knew with Ernestina Cruz**
**Part 1:** Premiers July 15
**Part 2:** Premiers July 22

The YLD was honored to chat with current State Bar President and 2011 YLD Chair, Ernestina (Tina) Cruz. The first episode will dive into day-to-day relationships and everyone's favorite topic, money. The second episode will discuss work-life balance and personal and professional growth.
State Bar Committees

Did you know that Committees are free to join? Our Committees do wonderful work for our community at large. Learn about any of our nine committees and join one any time!

ADR CLE PRESENTATION

Stuck in Neutral: Ethical Concerns for the Attorney as Arbitrator or Mediator with Sidney R. Barett

Date: Thursday, July 23, 2020
Time: Noon - 1:30 p.m.
Credits: 1.5 EP
Learn more and register at nmbar.org/cle

CWLP #LAWMOM CHATS

Join the Committee on Women and the Legal Profession for their #LawMom chats. The chats will focus on the struggle of having a legal career and managing parenting responsibilities.

Dates: July 20, Aug. 3, Aug. 17
Time: Noon - 12:30 p.m.
Visit the CWLP website for more information and to view previous chats!
We have a podcast!

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EPISODE 1

Personal Inventory: COVID – A Forced Life Transition for Some

Pamela Moore and Tenessa Eakins,
State Bar Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program;
Morgan Pettit (moderator), State Member Services Coordinator

We will be discussing how COVID-19 has impacted the professional and/or personal identity of attorneys, judges, and other legal professionals. Specifically we will be discussing life transitions due to COVID19. Many of us, if not all, have had to change the way we function in our day to day lives recently. Some of us are grieving the loss of the way life was, what we deemed “normal”. Others may be grieving the loss of a loved one, a business, a relationship, or a personal or professional role before the pandemic hit.

Listen at www.nmbar.org/podcast

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