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CALIFORNIA EASTERN DISTRICT CJA PANEL TRAINING

May 17, 2023: Panel Training by Zoom at 12:15 p.m. will focus on long term effects of traumatic brain injury and its forensic implications. Merriam Young, with Godoy Medical Forensics, will present on TBI and discuss how its long-term effects may impact clients and cases. Zoom link will be provided.

CJA Representatives

District's CJA Representative: Kresta Daly, Sacramento, (916) 440.8600, kdaly@barth-daly.com. Backup CJA Representative: Kevin Rooney, Fresno, (559) 233.5333, kevin@hammerlawcorp.com.

Sacramento DEI Series:
EDCA US Attorney Office/FBA-Sacramento
& Wiley W. Manuel Bar Association

Wed. May 24, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Preserving Black History: Sacramento's **African-American Experience Project**

A Conversation with Preservation Director Sean de Courcy and Former Preservation Director Carson Anderson, City of Sacramento Community Development Department. This special program will be held **in-person** in Sacramento in the Kennedy Learning Center, **and by Zoom** for attendees outside of Sacramento and those who cannot attend in-person. AUSA Colleen Kennedy, organizer. Register @ <https://fbasacramento.org/req-052423/>. In-person attendance seating is limited and on a first-registration basis.

EDCA US Attorney Office/FBA- Sacramento
& San Joaquin Chapters, & Central
California Asian Pacific American Bar
Association, Asian/Pacific Bar Association
of Sacramento, South Asian Bar
Association of Sacramento, Sacramento
Filipino American Lawyers Association

Wed. May 31, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Zoom only

Celebrating Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, **Who or what is "Asian American"?, a conversation with Princeton University Professor Anne A. Cheng.** [Professor Cheng](#) is an English Professor, helps lead Princeton's Asian American Studies Program, and is "the founder and organizer of the public conversation series Critical Encounters, which promotes dialogue between art and theory and encourages cross-disciplinary conversations on the shared topic of social justice. Past programs include a collaborative student reenactment of the Minoru Yasui Trial, with Judge Denny Chin, which highlights the roles of Asian Americans in American legal history as well as explores the enduring question of civil rights and the American Constitution." Register @ <https://fbasacramento.org/req-053123/>.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE TRAINING SESSIONS

Know a good speaker for the Federal Defender's panel training program? Want the office to address a particular legal topic or practice area? Email suggestions to:

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Karen Mosher, karen_mosher@fd.org
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REMOTE CJA PANEL TRAINING

The Federal Defender Services Office - Training Division (fd.org) continues to provide excellent remote training for CJA counsel. You can register for and access all fd.org training with your CJA username and password. You can also sign up to receive emails when fd.org is updated.

The Federal Defender Training Division also has a **telephone hotline** offering guidance and information for all FDO staff and CJA panel members: 1-800-788-9908.

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (nacdl.org) and NAPD (publicdefenders.us) (which all CJA lawyers qualify to join) also offer excellent remote training, including self-study videos relevant to your criminal defense practice.