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District Court of Guam Federal Bar
Guam Bar Association
Attention: Members

RE: District Court of Guam Annual District Conference.

Dear Members:

Buenas yan hafa ada!

Like the rest of our island and the world, we have been closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic. After much contemplation, the District Court of Guam and the Guam Bar Association have made the difficult decision to postpone the annual district conference scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2020. Our conference will be rescheduled to a date in the future when we feel it is safe for all to gather.

United States Supreme Court Associate Justice Kagan, Ninth Circuit Chief Judge Sidney Thomas, and the rest of the speakers along with the proposed topics for discussion listed on the attached agenda have continued to express their desire and interest to come to Guam and present at our annual conference. We are in discussions with Justice Kagan and Chief Judge Thomas for a new date and time.

For those of you who have paid the registration fee and wish to seek reimbursement, you may do so by contacting the Law Office of Cynthia V. Ecube, Esq. by emailing info@ecubelaw.com or via telephone at (671) 472-8889. We can also retain the fee and apply it when we reschedule the conference.

We hope that you and your families are well during these unprecedented times. If you have any questions, please contact Joyleen Sanchez, District Court of Guam via email at Joyleen_Sanchez@gud.uscourts.gov or by phone at (671) 969-4503.

Dangkulu na si Yu'os ma'ase.

Very truly yours,

Frances M. Tydingco-Gatewood
Chief Judge
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Cynthia V. Ecube
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DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM ANNUAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE



LeoPalace Hotel, Zefiro Ballroom
Thursday, July 16, 2020
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



AGENDA

8:00 a.m. — 8:30 a.m.	Registration and Seating
8:30 a.m. — 9:10 a.m.	<p>Welcome Remarks and State of the District Court of Guam Address The Honorable Frances M. Tydingco-Gatewood, Chief Judge, District Court of Guam</p> <p>State of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal Address The Honorable Sidney R. Thomas, Chief Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals</p> <p>State of the Office of the U.S. Attorney Shawn Anderson, U.S. Attorney, District of Guam and the NMI</p> <p>Report of the Federal Public Defender's Office and CJA Panel Mr. John T. Gorman, Federal Public Defender of Guam</p>
[1 CLE]	
9:10 a.m.— 9:25 a.m.	Group Photo
9:25 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.	<p>Supreme Court and Ninth Circuit Review The Honorable Sidney R. Thomas, Chief Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals The Honorable M. Margaret McKeown, Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals</p>
[1 CLE]	
10:30 a.m. — 10:45 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.	<p>Conversatorio with U.S. Supreme Court Justice The Honorable Elena Kagan, Associate Justice, Supreme Court of the United States</p>
[1 CLE]	
11:30 a.m. — 12:45 p.m.	<p>Presentation of the Cristobal C. Duenas Excellence Award The Honorable Frances M. Tydingco-Gatewood, U.S. Chief Judge, and the Honorable, U.S. Magistrate Judge, District Court of Guam</p> <p>Luncheon</p> <p>State of the Guam Bar Association Jacqueline T. Terlaje, Esq., President, and Board of Governors, Guam Bar Association</p>
[1 CLE]	
12:45 p.m. — 2:45 p.m.	<p>Ethics Martha Sheehy, Esquire, Sheehy Law Firm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Lawyers and the media, traditional and socialTalking to the press: ethical and practical ramifications of discussing an ongoing matter; lawyers and social media. •Issues of dual representation, including the difference between waivable and non-waivable conflicts; contents of waiver; and conflicts arising during course of litigation. •Ethical issues arising from contingency fees, including representation of multiple plaintiffs with differing fee arrangements; disclosures; and court approval. •The Advocate / Witness rule (when attorney may be both): when it arises, and the extent of attorney's disqualification.
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2:45 p.m.— 3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.	<p>E-Discovery Sean Broderick, National Litigation Support Administrator, Federal Public Defender</p>
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5:00 p.m.	Adjourn
6:00 p.m.	Welcoming Dinner Reception