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# May 4, 2018 Chapter Newsletter

## Chapter Events

#### Registration Open for Annual Chapter Meeting June 1, 2018

Our Annual Meeting is just four weeks away! Join us for our annual meeting on June 1, 2018! We'll have election results, awards, reports for the year from the Chapter Chair and Treasurer, speakers and our essay winner will present his/her winning work!

When: Friday, June 1, 2018

Where: Maggiano's Perimeter - 4400 Ashford Dunwoody Rd, Dunwoody, GA 30346

Time: 11:30-12:00 Networking; 12:15 Presentation Begins

Cost: \$30.00

Registration: Through the chapter website.

#### RSVP for Chapter Meeting at AILA AC18 June 14, 2018

Will you leave your heart in San Francisco? I hope not...but you won't leave hungry if you come to our Chapter meeting at the Annual Conference! This lunch is free to chapter members, but we need an accurate headcount. Please RSVP by June 1st.

Thursday, June 14th

12 pm-1 pm

Hotel: Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Meeting Room: Union Square 22, Tower 3, 4th floor

Registration: Online

11th Circuit Cruise CLE - Updates December 2-9, 2018 We're still working on the CLE schedule, but with the deadline for deposits coming up, I wanted to share the latest information with y'all. The CLE itself will \$200, but we aren't quite ready with a registration link.

We anticipate 10-12 hours of CLE credit and already have speaking commitments from Mary Kramer, Kari Ann Fonte, Laurel Scott and Helen Parsonage. We are still working on the program, but our focus will be on 11th Circuit Litigation Strategies and Professional Development (How to Practice Immigration Law During the Trump Era). Don't worry - it won't be eight hours straight of CLE each day - we know you want to get out and have fun :) This CLE will be in addition to our chapter conference (anticipated to be in February 2019) and the Florida chapters' respective conferences.

- Oceanview Balcony (15 rooms available) for \$1385.33 per person balcony overlooking the ocean
- Boardwalk View Balcony (17 rooms available) for \$923.86 per person balcony overlooking the ship's boardwalk area
- Central Park View Balcony (18 rooms available) for \$892.86 per person balcony overlooking the central park neighborhood

\$250/person deposit due: May 15, 2018 Final payment due: August 31, 2018

To reserve your spot, please contact Bridgette Bennett: bridgette@bennettlawcenter.com

https://www.royalcaribbean.com/cruise-ships/harmony-of-the-seas (Link to Harmony of the Seas) for more information about the ship

## Chapter News

#### Have a Client Defrauded by Washington/Gonzalez? Conference Call May 9, 2018

Thank you to Chuck Kuck for getting this arranged. Bring your ideas and your questions and let's brainstorm an aggressive strategy for these case.

Date: Wednesday, May 9th

Time: 1:15 - 2:00

Phone Number: 404-965-0488

Code: 8462

#### Access to Law Hosting Citizenship Drive June 14, 2018

Access To Law is offering a FREE Citizenship Clinic on National Flag Day 6/14/18 9am -8pm.

\*There will be a nominal fee of just \$25 to cover LLX admin costs, photos and mailing expense.

Experienced and licensed attorneys will be on site for consultation with LPR's

Please see attached flyer or contact Rebecca Salmon for more information.

#### **Big Win in Crimmigration!**

If you missed this on the Yahoo group, it's definitely worth repeating. Great job to Anna Erwin who shared the following decision with us -

Hello all! I just wanted to share a great BIA crimmigration win I just received. My LPR client has two GA Simple Battery(a)(1) convictions (intentional physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature), sentenced to 12 months confinement (it's complicated but due to the Douglas County judge we had we couldn't change that). He also has a GA Aggravated Stalking conviction. He had a ton of charges on his NTA, and I filed a Motion to Terminate stating he wasn't removable at all.

IJ Duncan at Stewart held that Simple Battery is NOT a CIMT, but it IS an aggravated felony crime of violence under 11th Circuit case law because a touching involves the use of force. I argued Johnson v. United States, 559 U.S. 133 (2010), which says that a touching does NOT rise to the level of agg fel COV; however, Duncan said that I needed to appeal and have the 11th circuit rule that Johnson overruled prior 11th Circuit case law. It was baffling because the Supreme Court trumps the 11th (but Duncan just hated my client). Duncan also found that Aggravated Stalking was a crime of stalking under INA 237(a)(2)(E)(i) even though the GA stalking definition is way broader than the INA definition.

The BIA found that under Johnson and Matter of Velasquez, 25 I&N Dec. 278 (BIA 2010), Simple Battery(a)(1) is not an agg fel COV under 18 U.S.C. 16(a) and 18 U.S.C. 16(b) is no longer valid under Dimaya. The BIA also found that Simple Battery(a)(1) is not divisible so the IJ cannot apply the modified categorical approach and look at the record of conviction.

The BIA also found that under the new case Sanchez-Lopez, 27 I&N Dec. 256 (BIA 2018), Aggravated Stalking is not a crime of stalking. The BIA also found that Aggravated Stalking is not divisible so the IJ cannot apply the modified categorical approach and look at the record of conviction.

OCC has long been ignoring Johnson and spouting ridiculous nonsense that Simple Battery(a)(1) is an agg fel, so please show the IJs that it's not! Also stalking under the INA has a much more limited definition than GA stalking crimes, so shut OCC down on that ground of removability too!

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#### Administration Ends TPS for Hondurans

https://www.cnn.com/2018/05/04/politics/immigration-tps-honduras/index.html

The Department of Homeland Security's decision on Friday ends the temporary protected status designation for Honduras that was put in place after Hurricane Mitch. There are about 86,000 current recipients, according to USCIS's count at the end of October, and all of them must have lived in the US continuously since at least 1999.

### **AILA News and Events**

#### Annual Conference in San Francisco Chapter Competition - Win a FREE Registration!

AILA National will provide one FREE registration to each of the top five chapters whose registration percentages increase the most between April 30 and May 11. That's like nearly \$1000!! Right now, 11% of our members have signed up for the Annual Conference. We can totally knock that number out of the park. Register now!!

#### **AILA National Elections Open Today**

The Nominating Committee nominated one candidate for President Elect, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. There are no additional candidates running by petition.

The Nominating Committee nominated a total of twelve persons for the seven At Large Director terms expiring in June 2018. Two additional candidates are running by petition. The seven candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be the winners of seven open At Large Director seats and serve three-year terms. An eighth seat will be filled for a one-year term, to complete the three-year term initially held by me but became vacant when I was elected national Secretary in June 2017. The eighth seat will be filled by the person whose total of votes is eighth in number of those seeking election to the Board.

By operation of Section 8, 8.5(C) of the AILA Bylaws, President-Elect Anastasia Tonello automatically becomes the President upon the adjournment of the Annual Meeting; accordingly, her name does not appear on the ballot.

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held at 5:30pm on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at the Hilton, Plaza, Lobby Level, San Francisco, CA, and the elections will conclude at that time. The results of the election will be announced before the meeting adjourns.

Simply click on the link and follow the step by step instructions. You will need your member number in order to login. If you wish to request a paper ballot, please contact elections@aila.org. Candidate information is included on this voting site so you can make an informed decision. You may also view the candidate statements through aila.org.

Ballot Link: <a href="https://eballot4.votenet.com/aila">https://eballot4.votenet.com/aila</a>

### Job Scene

• Rafael Lisboa Limia is fluent in English, Spanish and Portuguese and is looking to use his skills in an immigration firm. Please see attached resume.

- Natalia Martinez is a licensed Colombian lawyer looking to begin her career in the United States as a legal or administrative assistant. Please see attached resume.
- The University of Georgia School of Law recently received a grant to hire a Fellow to work with The Community HeLP Clinic and the Family Justice Clinic for two years on a shared docket representing immigrants. The position would ideally start in June, though given the tight recruitment timeline we can be flexible about the start date. It's a great opportunity to dive deep into immigration law and family law while working with law students in an academic setting.

The University of Georgia, School of Law's Family Justice Clinic (FJC) and Community Health Law Partnership Clinic (Community HeLP), will jointly host a fellow over two years as part of the Equal Justice Works Crime Victims Justice Corps. The fellowship should begin on or about June 1, 2018 and end May/June 2020.

The fellow will be supervised by the faculty directors of two co-located law school clinics based at the University of Georgia, School of Law, in Athens, Georgia. Community HeLP is a medical-legal partnership clinic that focuses on immigration law and public benefits. FJC specializes in family violence and stalking protective orders and domestic relations law. Under the supervision of the two clinic directors, both of whom are former fellows and members of the Georgia Bar with deep experience in the relevant practice areas, the fellow would work with law students on a shared docket of cases involving immigrant crime survivors and conduct community outreach.

The Equal Justice Works Crime Victims Justice Corps is a legal fellowship program designed to increase capacity and access to civil legal help for crime victims. A cohort of approximately sixty fellows are placed at nonprofit organizations across the country to provide direct representation, outreach, and education, to victims of crimes, including human trafficking, fraud/identity theft, campus sexual assault, and hate crime, and immigrant victims of crime with meritorious claims for immigration relief. All fellows will incorporate crime victims' rights enforcement into their practice and will receive training from the National Crime Victim Law Institute and other training and technical assistance providers.

This program is supported by an award from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime, Award Number 2017–MU–MU–K131, and private funding.

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- Chapter Website: <u>www.ga-al.com</u>
  - Password for AILA Members Only Page: GA-AL-M3MB3R5!
- Chapter Yahoo Group: As chapter members, you get to use it. Send anyone on the Executive Committee an email if you want in on the action the ability to post responsibly and search older threads.



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