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May 11, 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

The cruise is filling up quickly! Please register as quickly as possible as we are only allowed 50 rooms at the group rates below. After those are gone, you can still register for the cruise and CLE, but you will not get the discounted group rate. I estimate we are already about a third booked just in the past few days. Here is a brief summary of what you need to know and how to register:

What: 11th Circuit CLE Cruise aboard Harmony of the Seas – see attached itinerary.

When: December 2-9, 2018

Where: Departs Fort Lauderdale, FL with stops in Haiti, Jamaica and Mexico

Costs:

- 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
- \$200 per person

Important Dates: May 15, 2018 (4 days from now) – Deposit of \$250 per person is due; August 31, 2018 – Final payments are due

How to Register:

- Send an email to Bridgette Bennett, our Education Vice-Chair and travel agent. She is copied on this email, but her address is bridgette.bennett@gmail.com. You can also send your information to her business email address bridgette@bennettlawcenter.com. In the email, include your:
 - Full name as it appears on your passport
 - Date of birth
 - Country of citizenship
 - Cell phone number
 - Your address
- Go to [PayPal.com](https://www.paypal.com) and send your deposit of \$250.00 to Bridgette. Simply send the money to bridgette.bennett@gmail.com. Do not send the money to her business email address.
- Click this link to register for the CLE through EventBee – the cost is again \$200.00 – <https://ailacfc.eventbee.com/event?eid=136161693> – a copy of the proposed course schedule is attached, but remember the times and content are still a work in progress.
- You need a roommate – cabins hold two people, but each person must pay the respective cost – if you want a room to yourself, you would have to pay double. If you need a roommate, please let me know and I will circulate a list. Bridgette cannot register you until she has the information for both people in the room.

- Prepare to have fun!

Committed Speakers:, Mary Kramer, Kari Ann Fonte, Laurel Scott, Helen Parsonage, Greg Siskind, Sui Chung, Michael Vastine, Tracie Klinke, Stan Walker

Topics Included in the CLE (subject to change):

- 11th Circuit Crimmigration Update
- Prolonged and Indefinite Detention / Habeas
- Strategies After a Successful Petition for Review or Motion to Reopen an In Absentia Order
- Maintaining Balance with Life and Practice
- Promoting Member Involvement Locally and Nationally
- Effective Local Liaison
- Local Legislation - Promoting Good, Fighting the Bad
- Writing Effective Appellate Briefs
- Natviating Stays of Removal with the 11th Circuit
- I-212s and Motions to Reopen/Terminate

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

Chapter and Local News

Paul C. Ford Memorial Service May 12, 2018

For those of you who wish to attend, Paul's Memorial Service at Trees Atlanta will be tomorrow, Saturday, May 12th from 4pm to 7pm. The address is 225 Chester Avenue, Atlanta, 30316

Pro Bono Project for I-765Vs

Nisha Karnani helped start a pro bono project with Raksha, Inc. and the South Asian Bar Association of Georgia to assist Raksha's clients with the I-765V (EAD's for abused spouses of H, E-3, G, and A visa holders). She has this message for AILA members -

If anyone has clients who might qualify and need pro bono help, please have them contact Raksha per the attached flyer. We have several volunteer attorneys, law students and paralegals signed up to help, but we encourage AILA attorneys to contact me at karnani@antoniniandcohen.com if they wish to be added to the volunteer roster. It's a fairly short time commitment and we have a comprehensive training packet with templates and relevant guidance. These pro bono cases are mentored by myself and Sonal Shah at Vazquez and Servi.

A Farewell from Peter Hill

Peter posted this on our Yahoo list-serve, but I wanted to share his farewell to Atlanta story through our official channels. Please see attached. And Peter - we will all miss you and your insanely brilliant legal strategies!

Support a DACamented Educator and Her Students

This came across my radar screen this week. Meet Yehimi Cambron, a teacher at Cross Keys High School...

I am a DACamented artist and educator. In light of teacher appreciation week, I am reaching out to ask for your help. On Sunday, May 6th, I launched a fundraiser on social media to help my students at Cross Keys High School pay for DACA renewal application fees. In just three days, I have raised \$1,800+ thanks to the collective power of our community! As a thank you for donating \$25 or more, I am gifting my [Here to Stay Monarch sticker](#) (\$3 of the donation will be used for shipping).

Initially, I was hoping to cover at least five students. However, the past few days have empowered me to aim higher. I would like to cover as many students as possible while I still have access to them during the school year. In addition, I would like to connect them to immigration lawyers that can help them fill out their applications pro-bono or on a sliding scale.

People can make donations via PayPal (yehimicambron@gmail.com), Venmo @ Yehimi-Cambron or in person via check or cash. Once the donation has been made, I've instructed people to send me their address so I can send a monarch sticker their way!

Please consider sharing my efforts with your networks by forwarding this email, or by sharing my most recent posts on social media highlighting the graphic attached. The following are my social media handles:

- Facebook: [Yehimi Cambron](#)
- Instagram: @ycambron
- Twitter: @yehimicambron

New American Dreams Series at Horizon Theater

The Horizon Theater is pleased to share the first of three American Dreams plays. Citizen's Market "follows a hopeful group of immigrants as they form an unlikely family, working to master the ups and downs of language, love, and staying afloat in the city." The show runs from May 18th through June 24th.

Tickets and information are available [online](#).

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.

National News

Resources on LGBTI DACA Recipients and Options for Relief

Thank you to our Asylum Committee for bringing this resource to our attention -

CLINIC is pleased to share a hot-off-the-presses practice advisory on LGBTI DACA Recipients and Options for Relief under Asylum Law.

<https://cliniclegal.org/resources/lgbti-daca-recipients-and-options-relief-under-asylum-law>

EOIR Hiring Judges in Nine Locations

In case you missed it, EOIR is hiring immigration judges! See below for a link to the USA Jobs posting. I know it's hard for many of us to imagine making the leap to that side, but you would be in a position to do a lot of good...

[EOIR Is Hiring Immigration Judges](#)

EOIR recently announced job openings for nine immigration judge positions in various cities across the United States. Applications must be received by May 21, 2018.

Vacancy Locations

- San Francisco, CA
- Elizabeth, NJ
- Stewart County, GA
- Las Vegas, NV
- Philadelphia, PA
- Conroe, TX
- Seattle, WA
- Memphis, TN
- Fort Worth, TX

AILA News and Events

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

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!!](#)

Urgent Need for Volunteers in Dilley, TX Immigrant Justice Campaign

This week, Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) acting Director Thomas Homan [announced](#) their plans to ramp up criminal prosecutions of individuals along the southern border—likely resulting in the criminalization of asylum seekers, and the separation of families.

Now, more than ever, families seeking asylum at our border need your help. Currently, over 2,000 women and children are detained at the South Texas Family Residential Center (STFRC) in Dilley, Texas and the government just increased its daily interview capacity from 68 to 92 with no warning. We expect this surge to last at least the next two weeks, and we will need more volunteers on-the-ground to help prepare the mothers for their interviews.

If you are an experienced immigration practitioner who speaks Spanish, or have volunteered in the past and can come over a weekend soon, please consider [signing up today](#). We are in particular need of volunteer attorneys who can spend a week on-the-ground in Dilley during the following weeks:

- May 27th, June 3, June 10, and June 17

Why volunteer in Dilley? In 2017, more than 600 volunteers prepared over 12,000 mothers and children for their asylum screening interviews, with a 98% success rate. [Become part of this life-changing volunteer force.](#)

Learn more:

- Read the American Immigration Council's statement: [Increase in Border Prosecutions Will Separate More Families](#)
- Read AILA's statement: [DOJ and DHS Decide to Forcibly Separate Families and Prosecute Asylum Seekers](#)
- Read our family separation [complaint](#) filed with oversight agencies of Department of Homeland Security, and [Freedom of Information Act \(FOIA\) requests](#) seeking more information regarding the protocols and methods used by the government to separate family members.

AILA Civility Code

On 4/14/18, the Board of Governors voted into effect a new AILA Civility Code. The goal is to roll out this code on 7/1/18. The Civility Code is designed to make AILA communications tools more accessible to the membership by keeping them professional, instead of driving members away. Additional information, including written FAQs, will be forthcoming.

Please find attached a letter from AILA President Annaluisa Padilla and a copy of the AILA Civility Code.

AILA National Elections Open

Just a reminder to vote for AILA National Leadership -

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: <https://eballot4.votenet.com/aila>

Job Scene

- Castan & Lecca, PC is looking for an immigration paralegal. If interested, please contact Iliana Dobrv at iliana@catanlecca.com.
- 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.

<https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/21820>

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- Like us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/ailagaal/>
- Tweet with us! <https://twitter.com/@ailagaal>
- Chapter Website: www.ga-al.com
 - 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.



