

April 20, 2023 Report from District 11 Honorable Gina Benavides

Texas, Arkansas Oklahoma

We have been busy this month so busy that we did not have meeting but several events.

Our Color of Justice Program in in Austin on April 19th was a huge success. President-Elect NAWJ Judge Karen Sage welcomed 50 to 60 students from Travis Early College High School and Bertha Sadler Young Women's Leadership. Senior Judge Orlinda Naranjo with Austin Attorney Rachel Luna organized an excellent program with Justice Gisela Triana, Judge Selena Alvarenga, Judge Maria Cantu Hexsel, and Judge Raul Gonzalez providing our judicial panel. All three of our female judges are members of NAWJ.

We also providing guidance were attorneys Elissa I Henry, Chris Mujica, Angela Rodriguez and Daniela Peinado.

With contributions from Travis Women Lawyers' Association and Judge Orlinda Naranjo we gave a \$1000 scholarship to Emani Brown, a law student at the University of Texas Law School.





Judge Becky Paloma is already in full program for the Color of Justice in Laredo on May 4^{th}

And this coming Monday, April 24th is is Texas Women Jurist Day. As of today, we have over 90 female Judges coming to the state capitol. Senator Zaffirini along with Chief Justice Rebeca Martinez is spearheading the resolution on the Senate Floor. And again Sr Judge Orlinda Naranjo with Judge Karin Crump have organized the reception at the State Bar of Texas. I

