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Report from District 12

Honorable Colleen Clark

Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming

The women judges of District 12 are very excited to be hosting their first in person event in two years! Colorado Supreme Court Justice Melissa Hart will be opening her home on April 9th to host a welcome dinner for Afghan Judge Nadeera Akbari who is now living in Colorado. Next on the 2022 agenda is hosting monthly “coffee and conversation” virtually with women judges across our district. Colorado Court of Appeals Judge Jaci Brown has been organizing our NAWJ reception at the yearly conference in September. She is also working on collecting nominations for the Lady Justice award. Colorado District Court Judge Elizabeth Weishaupl has been assisting the Mothers in the Courthouse committee in collecting data regarding barriers, particularly those that have become more apparent during the pandemic. Judge Colleen Clark is working in conjunction with the Colorado Commission on Attorney Wellness to raise awareness and to improve conditions for magistrates and judges. The main focus is to improve the ability to take time off for urgent health and family needs. Judge Clark continues to support Moms on the Bench with her ongoing blog posts. Our goals are to improve communication and sharing opportunities amongst all our women judges and to increase our membership by sharing our amazing stories about NAWJ.