



September Newsletter and District 14 Report
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APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

FORMER NAWJ PRESIDENT AND SAN DIEGO SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE TAMILA IPEMA APPOINTED TO A TEAM TO LEAD AN INDEPENDENT INTERNATIONAL JUDICIAL ORGANIZATION BY POPE FRANCIS

Congratulations to Judge Ipema who continues to be a driving force for positive change in retirement. Judge Ipema has long had the honor of serving on an International Committee for Social Justice under the Vatican. Recently, Pope Francis elevated this committee to operate independently and includes Judges and Justices from several South American countries and Judge Ipema from the United States. Their mission is to educate judges from around the world on social justice issues. Anyone who knows Judge Ipema knows that this issue has been her passion since coming to the United States from Iran during a time of great upheaval and injustice. We continue to be amazed at the energy and passion of Judge Ipema!



Pope Francis with Judge Ipema at a recent conference in Rome

**NAWJ DISTRICT 14 MEMBER RENEE GALANTE STACKHOUSE APPOINTED
AS A SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE IN SAN DIEGO**



Congratulations to Judge Renee Stackhouse who has been a leader in San Diego's legal community for many years. Judge Stackhouse currently co-chairs the NAWJ Fairness and Access Committee and was the head of San Diego's NAWJ Friends Committee for the 2024 annual conference. Judge Stackhouse is the current co-chair of the NAWJ Success Inside and Out Committee for San Diego. Her involvement in the community at the local, state and national level is truly second to none. We are delighted with Governor Newsom's appointment of Judge Stackhouse.