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Midyear Report for District 4
Honorable Gwenlynn D'Souza

District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia

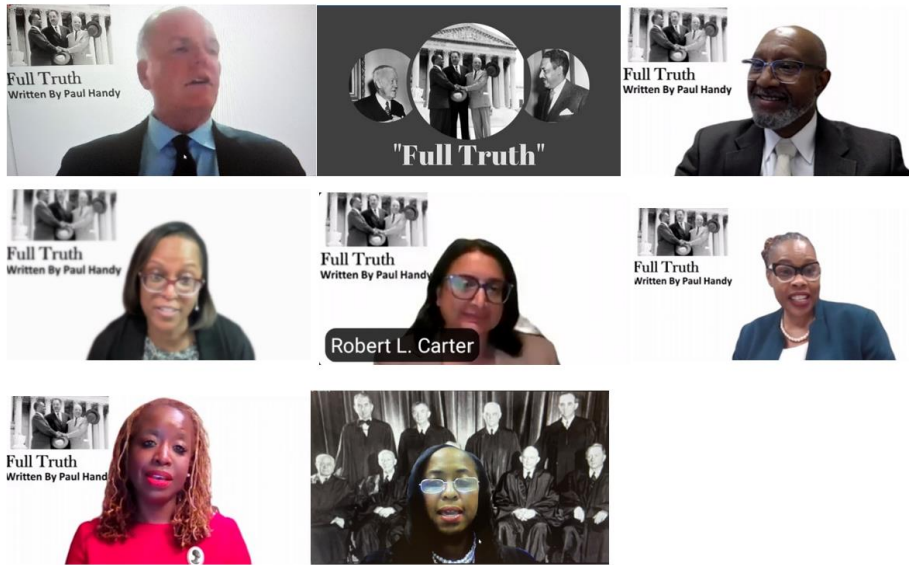


Congratulations to **Beverly Cutler** who received the Vaino Spencer Award during the Annual Meeting for very inspiring pro bono work helping members of the U.S. Military and veterans with naturalization and related immigration issues as well as her assistance to women judges who were evacuated from Afghanistan and are facing challenges reestablishing their lives in our country. To the right is a picture of some District 4 members in attendance.

On November 9, 2022, District 4 with the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia held a Bar to Bench event. NAWJ President **Toni Clarke** welcomed everyone. **Monica Bhattacharyya** of the U.S. Court of International Trade, **Bibi Berry** of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland, **Tanya Chutkan**, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and **Deborah Israel** of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia spoke about their paths to the bench. **Bridget Bailey Lipscomb**, WBA-DC Immediate Past President, moderated.

On November 29, 2022, **Tanya Jones Bosier** participated in the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia's program entitled Pathways to Leadership: Inspiration from Women in Power.

Thanks to those of you, especially the new members, who attended Coffee, Cocktails & Conversation with President Toni Clarke on December 1, 2022.



Congratulations to **Cathy Serrette** who received the 2023 Legal Excellence Award from the Maryland Bar Foundation. Congratulations to **Rosalyn A. Tang** who became the youngest woman appointed to the Appellate Court of Maryland. She was the featured speaker at the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association on March 2023. She is pictured below with members of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Maryland.



Kudos to **Pamela J. Brown** who participated on Women’s Bar Association panel during Women’s History Month. **Elizabeth Gunn** was featured in a program regarding becoming a Federal Magistrate.

Bev Cutler and **Judy Wheat** organized a get together with several Virginia judges to meet the resettled Afghani judges in March 2023. This month a new judge **Nafiseh Kabuli** arrived. All the judges are job searching and have begun some form of training.

Welcome to all our new members! We hope to see you soon.