

## December 3, 2021 Report from District 4 Honorable Gwenlynn D'Souza

## District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia

The District chapter continues to partner with the District of Columbia Department of Corrections to create a series of podcasts. Planning for future podcasts on public housing, reentry job search, expungement, mental health, and wellness is underway. Two podcasts on public housing are being organized by Judge Sharon Goodie for recording in December 2021.

Chief Judge Erika Pierson of the District of Columbia Office of Human Rights invited NAWJ members to the 2021 Commission On Human Rights Annual Human Rights Awards Gala to be held on December 7, 2021.

A virtual District Meeting is being planned for January 6, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., based on a Doodle poll regarding availability. An Zoom invitation was sent to members.

Plans are underway for the nomination process for Edna G. Parker award. An email to District 4 members about the nominations process will be sent to members soon.

Judges Heidi Pasichow and Gwenlynn D'Souza are helping plan the mid-year Conference, which is scheduled for **March 10-12, 2022**, at the Renaissance Arlington Capital View Hotel (Crystal City, Virginia). The hotel website is <u>https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/waspy-renaissance-arlington-capital-view-</u>

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