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**Save the Date! NAWJ Annual Conference**

**NAWJ 29th Annual Conference  
to be held in  
Historic Philadelphia, PA  
November 7 - 11, 2007 (Veteran's Day Weekend)**



The Conference Registration Form will be mailed to you in the next issue of Counterbalance.

Contact Jeff Groton at [jgroton@nawj.org](mailto:jgroton@nawj.org) if you would like a registration form sent to you now.

**Plenary Sessions Planned**

(Details will be added to the Web Page as they are confirmed)

**First Plenary Session**

Separation of Powers: What does it mean?

Moderators: Professor Charles J Ogletree, Jr., Harvard Law School; Jessie Climenko, Professor of Law and Vice Dean for Clinical Programs

Panelists: Honorable Marjorie O. Rendell, 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals and First Lady of Pennsylvania; Honorable Deannell R. Tacha, 10th Circuit Court of Appeals

**Second Plenary Session**

Public Perception of Women Judges

Speaker: Lisa Scottoline, Esq., Author

**Third Plenary Session**
**Have You Moved to A New Court or A New Home?**

If you're not getting e-mail, postal mail, or faxes from us, it could very well be that we don't know where you are. Don't miss out on anything. If you have recently moved to a new court or a new home, please take a minute and send us an e-mail at [nawj@nawj.org](mailto:nawj@nawj.org) to let us know so we can update our membership database.

**NAWJ Latest News**
**Welcome New Landmark Sponsors**

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The Roberts Court Evolving

Speaker: Professor Pamela S. Karian, Stanford Law School; Kenneth and Harle Montgomery, Professor Public Interest Law

**Fourth Plenary Session**The Innocence Project (PWB)

Panelist: Maddy Delone, Esq.; Madame Justice Cynthia Baldwin, PA Supreme Court

**Fifth Plenary Session**

TOVA - a dramatic presentation about women in prison

**Sixth Plenary Session**Immigration Law: Its impact on Women

Panelist: Mary Campbell McQueen, President, National Center for State Courts; Rosalind Malloy, Immigration Judge; Professor Deborah Anker, Harvard Law School Immigration Clinic

**Seventh Plenary Session**Gender and Sexuality Law in the 21st Century

Moderator: TBD

Panelists: Professor Suzanne Goldberg, Columbia Law School - Evolving Norms of Gender and Sexuality; Professor Elizabeth M. Schneider, Rose L. Hoffer Professor of Law, Brooklyn Law School - New Perspectives on The Law of Domestic Violence; Professor Minna Kotkin, Brooklyn Law School - Invisible Settlements, Invisible Discrimination

**Eighth Plenary Session**International Justice for Women

Speakers: Trudy Rubin, Reporter, Philadelphia Inquirer; Shirin Tahir-Kheli, Special Assistant to the President and National Security Council Senior Director for Democracy, Human Rights and International Operations

For up-to-date conference information, visit us at

<http://www.nawj.org/conference.asp>

Conference Attendees will enjoy the comforts of the spectacular Four Seasons Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. Room rates are an astounding \$198.00 Single and \$228.00 Double. Register today to ensure you are able to take advantage of this amazing rate. The group identifier is National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ). Call today! 1-866-516-1100 or 215-963-1500.

***Make your plans today!*****We would like to thank the supporters of the NAWJ 29th Annual Conference!**

(As of June 1, 2007)

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**Upcoming Events**

*You can find more details about these events on our [Web calendar](#).*

**NAWJ Maryland Chapter Meeting and Elections**

June 13, 2007  
Ocean City, MD

**New York NAWJ Annual Spring Dinner**

June 18, 2007  
Manhattan, NY

**[Alaska Color of Justice](#)**

June 21 - 23, 2007  
Anchorage, AK

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**Save the Date! NAWJ Southwest Regional Conference**

**Save the Date!**

**The National Association of Women Judges Presents  
The First-Ever NAWJ Southwest Regional Conference**

Keynote Speaker: Justice (Retd) Sandra Day O'Connor  
Guest Speaker: Hon. Sharon Majors-Lewis

Plenary Sessions:

*Impact on Judicial Diversity: Systems of Judicial Selection, Retention & Evaluation*  
*Relationship Between Judicial Diversity and Judicial Independence*

August 24-26, 2007  
San Diego, California

Keep an eye out for your invitation!

**We would like to thank the supporters!**

(As of June 1, 2007)

Kirby Noonan Lance & Hoge LLP  
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### **Program Announcement**

The Bar Association of San Francisco, NAWJ and The American Bar Association Judicial Division Bench Bar Bankruptcy Council present

***The Bankruptcy Card and How to Play it:  
Bankruptcy Issues for Attorneys, Federal and State Judges***

Thursday, August 9, 2007  
BASF Conference Center  
301 Battery Street, 3rd Floor

Lunch and Program 12:00 – 2:00pm

Contact Jeff for registration information at [jgroton@nawj.org](mailto:jgroton@nawj.org)

### **NAWJ Welcomes New Landmark Sponsors**

**NAWJ Welcomes  
Lief Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, LLP  
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the NAWJ Landmark Sponsor Program!**

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### **NAWJ Annual Spring Dinner (New York Chapter)**

**New York Chapter of the  
National Association of Women Judges Association**

**Annual Spring Dinner  
Celebrating All New York Women Jurists**

**Monday, June 18, 2007 - 6:00 p.m.**

Please Join Us for a Fun-Filled Evening of Fine Dining  
At The Elegant Manhattan Restaurant

**TERRACE IN THE SKY**  
(Located on the campus of Columbia University)  
Outdoor Cocktail Hour  
Glorious Manhattan Skyline  
Elegant Three Course Dinner

For more information e-mail [dcobbina@courts.state.ny.us](mailto:dcobbina@courts.state.ny.us)

### **NAWJ Maryland Chapter Meeting**

The NAWJ Maryland Chapter will hold our June MD-NAWJ meeting and elections in Ocean City, on Wednesday, June 13, 2007 at 4:15, in Conference Rooms 1, 2, and 3 of the Clarion Fontainbleau Hotel, 10100 Coastal Highway.. This is a large space where judges will be meeting from 3:45 to 4:15 as part of the Bench/Bar conference; The Md-NAWJ meeting will commence following the bench meeting, so many of us will already be there.

Please let me know of any items you would like on the agenda.

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### **Commonwealth Magistrates' and Judges' Association Conference**

The CMJA will be holding its Caribbean Regional and Gender Conference in Bermuda from the 19th to the 23rd of August, 2007

***"Equality And The Courts:  
Exploring the Commonwealth Experience"***

at

THE FAIRMONT SOUTHAMPTON HOTEL  
BERMUDA  
20 - 23 AUGUST 2007

For more information: <http://cmja.org/downloads/Brochure-final.pdf>

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Event date:  
Event time:  
Event title:  
Event description:  
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Location:

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The National Association of Women Judges is a non-profit organization which has for 27 years served as the nation's leading voice for jurists dedicated to preserving judicial independence; ensuring equal justice and access to the courts for women, minorities and other historically disfavored groups; providing judicial education on cutting-edge issues; and increasing the numbers and advancement of women judges at all levels to more accurately reflect their full participation in a democratic society. For more information, visit [www.nawj.org](http://www.nawj.org) or call 202.393.0222.