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# *Judiciary Reception*

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As the only lifetime member of the San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association, I believe deeply in this organization and the role it plays in uplifting our community. It has been a constant force for justice, mentorship, and professional excellence, and I am proud to stand with it year after year. My journey—from humble beginnings to building one of California's premier trial firms—has been shaped by the values this association represents: hard work, integrity, and giving back. Supporting its mission is not just important to me professionally, but personally. Today, we stand in solidarity and proud support through this fantastic event—because when our community rises, we all rise together.

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Esteemed Guests, Colleagues, and Friends,

On behalf of San Diego La Raza Lawyers, it is my distinct honor and profound pleasure to welcome you to our 16th annual Judicial Reception. Tonight, we gather not just to observe but to celebrate and recognize the extraordinary dedication and unwavering commitment of one of San Diego's most esteemed judicial figures: Judge Enrique Camarena of the San Diego Superior Court.

This evening reflects the core values we cherish as a legal community—integrity, service, and relentless pursuit of justice. It is a moment to pause and appreciate the profound impact our judiciary has on countless lives and the fabric of our society.

Judge Camarena's journey to the bench is marked by exceptional intellect, compassion, and a strong work ethic. From his distinguished tenure as a Deputy District Attorney to his current role as a Supervising Judge, he has consistently exemplified the highest standards of fairness, equity, and judicial temperament. Beyond his professional achievements, his legacy, shaped by the brave actions of his father, DEA Special Agent "Kiki" Camarena, fuels his dedication to public service and community well-being.

Finally, this remarkable evening would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of our outstanding Event Chairs, Guillermo Escobedo, Ana De Santiago Ayon, and Catherine Arambula Lewis. Your tireless efforts, meticulous planning, and unwavering commitment have brought this vision to life. From the initial stages of planning to the beautiful event you see tonight, your leadership has been exceptional. I also extend my deepest thanks to our volunteers whose tireless efforts make events like this possible, to our members and sponsors whose support advances our mission, and to our Board of Directors whose vision guides our future.

Thank you for being here to celebrate Judge Enrique Camarena. May this evening be filled with meaningful connections and a renewed appreciation for the essential work we all do to uphold justice.

Warmly,  
Marco A. Garcia  
President of San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association



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## *Judge Enrique E. Camarena*

Judge Enrique E. Camarena attended Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire. He received a Bachelor of Arts and double majored in Government and Spanish Literature. He then attended the Gould School of Law at the University of Southern California. After graduating from USC's Gould School of Law, he was hired as a graduate law clerk at the San Diego County District Attorney's Office. After 15 years in the DA's office, he was appointed to the San Diego Superior Court by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. in July 2014.

Judge Camarena is the former Supervising Judge of the Family Court in San Diego County and is now the Supervising Judge of the South County Courthouse. He is currently on the San Diego Superior Court's Executive Committee, the Judicial Council Advisory Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions, and Governor Gavin Newsom's San Diego County Judicial Selection Advisory Committee.



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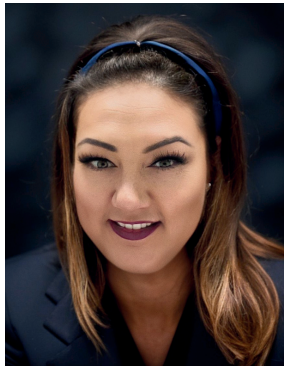
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# PROGRAM SCHEDULE



5:30 PM Registration & Networking

6:15 PM Welcome

6:20 PM Introduction of Judges,  
Commissioners & Elected  
Officials

6:30 PM Title Sponsor Address

6:32 PM Introduction of Honoree

6:40 PM Honoree Judge Enriquee E.  
Camarena

6:50 PM Proclamation

6:55 PM Closing Remarks

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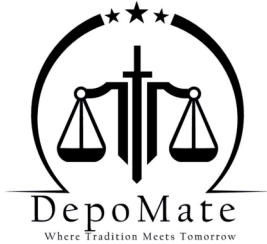
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