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## March 16th: Distinguished Women in the Law

Please join us Wednesday, March 16th at 5:30 p.m. at the Atlantis for a dinner celebrating Women’s History Month. NNWLA will host a diverse panel of prominent Northern Nevada women judges and attorneys.

Panelists will include Justice Nancy Saitta of the Nevada Supreme Court; Sallie Armstrong, a partner at Downey Brand who represents clients in all areas of bankruptcy and financial restructuring; Kathy Breckenridge, a solo practitioner specializing in domestic relations and family law; Nicole Hicks, a deputy district attorney who led the development of the Child Advocacy Center; Ann Morgan, a director at Fennemore Craig who handles employment law and human resource issues, estate and trust litigation, and general business matters; and Maizie Pusich, an attorney with the Washoe County Public Defender’s Office.

Tickets are available at NNWLA.com. Pre-sale prices are \$45 for NNWLA members and \$50 for non-members. After 12 noon on March 14th, tickets will only be available at the door for \$55.

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## Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government



The National Women’s History Month theme for 2016 honors women who have shaped America’s history and its future through their public service and government leadership. Although often overlooked and undervalued, these women have dramati-

cally influenced our public policy and the building of viable institutions and organizations. From championing basic human rights to ensuring access and equal opportunity for all Americans, they have led the way in establishing a stronger and more democratic country.

Each year, the National Women’s History Project honors several remarkable women and recognizes their important contributions. This year, three of these honorees are attorneys:

### Sonia Pressman Fuentes (1928– Present)

Ms. Fuentes was the first woman attorney to work in the General Counsel’s Office of the EEOC. She is also a founding member of the National Organization for Women and the advocacy group Federally Employed Women.

### Karen Narasaki (1958-Present)

Ms. Narasaki is a lawyer and lobbyist dedicated to issues of Asian American equality. Her work has focused on voting rights, affirmative action, family immigration, and hate crime prevention. She currently serves on the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

### Inez Milholland (1886-1916)

Ms. Milholland was a leader in the women’s suffrage movement as well as an attorney who also fought for the rights of working class women, spoke out for racial equality, and worked for prison reform.





## A Word From Our President



By Lauren Berkich

Thank you to all of our members who joined us last month for our February social event at 1864 Tavern. We enjoyed some creative cocktails, appetizers and good company.

Looking ahead to March, in honor of Women’s History Month, NNWLA is excited to host a dinner event featuring a panel of several prominent Northern Nevada women attorneys, including: Justice Nancy Saitta, Sallie Armstrong, Kathy Breckenridge, Nicole Hicks, Ann Morgan, and Maizie Pusich. The event will be held at the Atlantis Resort and Casino on Wednesday, March 16th beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Registration is available online at NNWLA.com.

Please save the date and consider volunteering at our NNWLA Lawyer in the Library event April 13, 2016 beginning at 5:30 p.m. NNWLA is partnering with the Washoe County District Court Law Library and hosting a large-scale Lawyer in the Library event for our community. For this event, we are looking for volunteer attorneys who may have some experience in the areas of: family law, estate planning, contract law, landlord/tenant matters, criminal law, and record sealing. Please email us at [nnwla.rsvp@gmail.com](mailto:nnwla.rsvp@gmail.com) if you are interested in participating. Snacks will be provided for all volunteers.

### DA's vs. PD's Children's Cancer Classic

Come watch the Washoe County District Attorney's Office take on the Washoe County Public Defender's Office in charity basketball game benefiting the Northern Nevada Children's Cancer Foundation.

This fun and family-friendly event at the Reno Events Center on March 20th will also feature a bounce house, face painting, balloon art as well as a raffle. Ticket prices are \$20 for ages 5 and up and include food and drink as well as entrance to the Reno Bighorns basketball game later that evening. The charity game starts at 3 p.m. and tickets are available online at [www.childrenscancerclassic.doodlekit.com/](http://www.childrenscancerclassic.doodlekit.com/).



### Stay Connected with NNWLA



Stay connected with the latest news from NNWLA by liking us on Facebook and visiting our website at [www.nnwla.com](http://www.nnwla.com).

### It's Membership Renewal Time

Have you renewed your NNWLA membership yet? If not, please complete the attached Membership Registration Form (last page) and return it to our treasurer, Anjali Webster, at the address listed. Dues will remain at last year's levels. This year, we have included a place on the form for our members to indicate what days of the weeks (and weeks of the month) are most convenient for attending NNWLA events. Thank you for taking the time to provide this feedback!



**NNWLA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**FEBRUARY 2, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M.**

1. Present: Lauren Berkich, Laury Macauley, Anjali Webster, Marilee Breternitz, Katie Hoffman, Kendra Bertschy, and Kaitlyn Miller
2. Bank Balance: \$3,608.87
3. Housekeeping
  - a. Resident Agent
  - b. Bank Account
  - c. Website
  - d. Special Events duties
4. Newsletter
  - a. Brainstorm future articles
5. January Event Wrap Up
6. Discussion of Upcoming Events
  - a. February Social (2/18) at 1864
  - b. March “Distinguished Women in the Law” Event (3/16)
  - c. April Lawyer in Library Event (4/13)
7. Ideas for future events
8. Next Newsletter Deadline: February 22, 2016
9. Next Board Meeting: March 2, 2016



# Children's Cancer Classic

Benefiting the Northern Nevada Children's Cancer Foundation

Presented by

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Charity basketball game featuring  
the Washoe County District Attorney's Office v. the Washoe County Public  
Defender and Alternate Public Defender's Office

When: March 20, 2016 (3-5p)

Bighorns game @7p

Where: Reno Events Center

Cost: \$20/ticket for those ages 5 and up, which  
includes the event ticket, entrance to the Bighorns  
game vs. the Texas Legends, and food & drink.



### For the Kids...

- magic
- bounce houses
- face painting
- balloon art

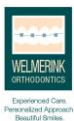


### For the Adults...

- basketball
- raffle item
- changing lives through charity

To purchase tickets go to: [www.childrenscancerclassic.doodlekit.com](http://www.childrenscancerclassic.doodlekit.com)

Don't Miss Out!





## 2016 Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association Membership Registration

(Personal information will not be published or provided to third parties)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (work): \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ EMail: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

State(s) and Years (s) admitted to practice:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Nevada \_\_\_\_\_ Others: \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Type/Annual Dues:

\_\_\_\_\_ Fewer than two years of practice in Nevada: \$50.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Government attorneys (regardless of years of practice): \$50.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Retired attorneys (regardless of years of practice): \$50.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ More than two years of practice in Nevada: \$75.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Sustaining member: \$125.00

Please make checks payable to "Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association" or NNWLA and remit to:

**Anjali Webster**  
**c/o Dickinson Wright**  
**100 W. Liberty Street, Suite 940**  
**Reno, Nevada 89501**

More information about you (check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_\_ Solo practitioner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fewer than 5 attorneys in firm  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5-10 attorneys in firm  
\_\_\_\_\_ More than 10 attorneys in firm  
\_\_\_\_\_ Contract Attorney  
\_\_\_\_\_ Employed by Government  
\_\_\_\_\_ Agency/Court  
\_\_\_\_\_ Judicial Law Clerk  
\_\_\_\_\_ Not currently practicing  
\_\_\_\_\_ Seeking employment

My practice areas include:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What subjects/activities would you like to see as topics for the monthly lunch meetings?

\_\_\_\_\_ political/legislative issues \_\_\_\_\_ mentoring  
\_\_\_\_\_ family law issues \_\_\_\_\_ stress management  
\_\_\_\_\_ career options \_\_\_\_\_ CLE credit  
\_\_\_\_\_ local legal community issues \_\_\_\_\_ issues particular to women practicing law  
\_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any suggestions as to activities and/or events that you would like NNWLA to sponsor or participate in during 2016? \_\_\_\_\_

If our meetings were moved from the third Tuesday of the month, what day(s) each month would be best for you? Please also specify days for luncheons and dinner events if they differ.

Other comments: \_\_\_\_\_