



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Hello TMBA Family!

We sincerely hope that you and your family are staying safe, secure and healthy during this unprecedented time.

We have been busy at work revamping TMBA's programming for 2020 to ensure that we continue to meet the felt and expressed needs of our TMBA village. To that end, we will continue to host our monthly legal workshops in conjunction with the NAACP and we are also brainstorming ways to continue our legal clinic to provide critical legal assistance during this pandemic.

Updates regarding COVID-19 resources and TMBA programming will be provided via newsletter, our website and social media platforms.

Please let us know how your TMBA leadership can best assist you during this time by emailing:

[info@thurgoodmarshallbarassociation.org](mailto:info@thurgoodmarshallbarassociation.org). We are in this together!

### ***Introducing the TMBA Member Spotlight***

TMBA will be highlighting exemplary TMBA members who are going above and beyond to serve our community during this pandemic.

Are you an essential worker, or doing work in the community to assist essential workers, our OC homeless community, the OC elderly population, individuals in custody (i.e. ICE detention or criminal custody) during COVID-19, or working on legislation that impacts COVID-19, etc.? We want to hear from you and celebrate you!!!

Send us 1-2 photos of the work you are doing, including your headshot and a brief description of the work you are doing to [info@thurgoodmarshallbarassociation.org](mailto:info@thurgoodmarshallbarassociation.org) by **Friday, April 17** to be included in our April Newsletter. We are excited to hear about all of the positive things our TMBA village is doing to spread love, hope, and a helping hand during this crisis!

Please click [HERE](#) to join the Thurgood Marshall Bar Association Facebook page and be sure to follow us on [Instagram](#)

[@thurgoodmarshallbarofficial](#) for more info and updates. We will get through this!

Best,

Keshia Dorsey

*Thurgood Marshall Bar Association President*

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### ***LAW STUDENT CORNER***

Law students, we want to hear from you too! How can we best support you during this time?!

We are planning informative webinars for you but also want to hear input from you. If there are specific questions you have about navigating law school, internships, and/or the bar during this time, please reach out to us. To that end—we will still be offering scholarships to local law students. Please click [HERE](#) to download the scholarship application.

Additionally, we will be joining [The John M. Langston Bar Association](#) and [Black Women Lawyers of Los Angeles](#) this **Saturday, April 18th at 10:30am** to host “A Brunch Break for Law Students.” Please see the flyer below and click on the flyer to join the Zoom meeting.

Look out for our April Newsletter for additional TMBA events and COVID-19 updates!



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LANGSTON  
BAR ASSOCIATION  
OF LOS ANGELES

BLACK WOMEN  
*Lawyers*  
Association of Los Angeles

# A BRUNCH BREAK for Law Students

We invite all law students to join us

**Saturday April 18th at 10:30am**

for a virtual round table. We want to hear from you about how you are doing, your concerns, your questions, and how Langston and BWL can help during these challenging times.



Zoom Meeting

>> <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5529471261>

>> Dial **(669) 900-6833** to connect by phone

>> Meeting ID: **552 947 1261**



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## QUESTIONS TO OUR PRESIDING JUDGE, JUDGE KIRK NAKAMURA

Our Presiding Judge, Judge Kirk Nakamura has agreed to do a presentation to OCBA members and affiliates on the state of the

Orange County Superior Court. The presentation is scheduled for this **Thursday, April 16, at Noon**. He may be joined by other court leaders.

The format of the meeting will not lend itself to a question and answer format (although there may be some limited ability to ask questions through the Zoom chat function). For that reason, the OCBA has been asked to gather questions in advance of the presentation so Judge Nakamura can address some or all of them during his presentation.

If you have any specific questions you would like addressed, please send them to our OCBA President, Scott Garner at [president@ocbar.org](mailto:president@ocbar.org). OCBA plans to compile the questions in advance for Judge Nakamura.

The OCBA will be circulating a flyer shortly so that people can plan to attend on Thursday. Once we receive it, we will circulate to TMBA members.

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**Our Mission Statement:**

*Thurgood Marshall Bar Association is a contemporary bar association committed to connect, support, and increase the Black legal community in Orange County. TMBA strives to promote diversity, professional improvement, and the advancement of justice through positive community involvement and excellence in the practice of law for the Black legal community, allies, and the community at large.*

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