

# Law Day – 2016

# Monterey County

*Judges from Monterey County Superior Court are partnering with Hartnell College and the Monterey County Office of Education to offer 300 high school students an outstanding opportunity to deepen their understanding of the law. Students will spend an entire day taking part in various activities, learning about Miranda Rights, and the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Amendments to the United States Constitution.*

*The event highlights Hartnell College's Pathway to Law School Program and is intended to help create a "legal" culture on campus while ensuring everyone learns about the benefits of the program.*

## **Target Population:**

Hartnell College students, faculty and staff are invited to attend the Law Fair and the Speaker Series as well as other presentations. High School Students from various county High Schools will be brought in by bus. Lunch is provided for High School Students only and will be based on ticketed admissions. The Law Fair will be set up from 10:30 until 2:00 for everybody's convenience, with the participation of neighboring law schools and local law enforcement agencies with information about their programs.

## **Agenda – May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**

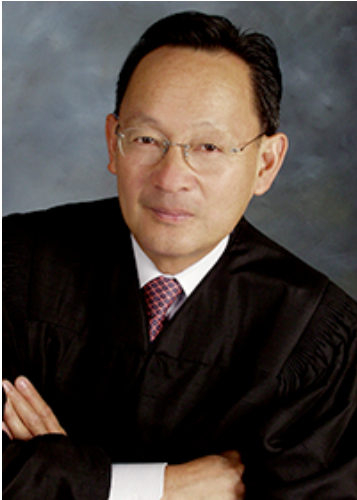
### **Hartnell College**

<b>Times</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>9:30 – 10:00 am</b>	Buses Arrive from Regional High Schools.
<b>10:00 – 10:30 am</b>	Keynote Address: Justice Ming W. Chin, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California. (Western Stage)
<b>10:30 - 2:00 pm</b>	Law Fair highlighting regional Law Schools and Law Enforcement Agencies
<b>10:30 – 12:00 pm</b>	Speakers will discuss Miranda Rights and the 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , and 6 <sup>th</sup> Amendments to the Constitution (Western Stage) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prosecutor</li></ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defense Attorney</li> <li>• Police Chief</li> <li>• Judge</li> </ul>
<b>12:00 – 12:45 pm</b>	<p>“Miranda...More than Words” Essay and “In Liberty We Stand...4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> Amendments” Art Contest (Western Stage)</p> <p>Top 3 high school students present their artwork  Top 3 high school students read their essays</p>
<b>12:45 – 1:00 pm</b>	Presentation of wining prizes for high school students Essay/Art Contest (Western Stage)
<b>1:00 - 2:00 pm</b>	Lunch provided for high school students (Steinbeck Hall)
<b>2:00 pm</b>	Closure – High School students leave on school buses

**Keynote Speaker:**

**Justice Ming W. Chin, Supreme Court of California**



On March 1, 1996, Justice Ming W. Chin became an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California. Governor Pete Wilson appointed him to that position on January 25, 1996. On March 1, he was confirmed by the Commission on Judicial Appointments and sworn in by the Governor. Justice Chin previously served as the Presiding Justice of the First District Court of Appeal, Division Three, in San Francisco beginning January 2, 1995. He was appointed to that position by Governor Pete Wilson on August 17, 1994, and in November 1994 was elected to a 12-year term. Previously he was an associate justice of that court, having been appointed to that position by former Governor George Deukmejian. Prior to that appointment, he served as a judge of the Alameda County Superior Court. Before his appointment to the bench, Justice Chin was a partner in an Oakland law firm, where he specialized in business and commercial litigation.

**About Law Day**

In 1958, President Eisenhower proclaimed Law Day to honor the role of law in the creation of the United States of America. Three years later, Congress followed suit by passing a joint resolution establishing May 1 as the official date for Law Day. Presidents since then have systematically issued a Law Day proclamation on May 1<sup>st</sup> in celebration of the country's commitment to the rule of law.

The United State Code 36 U.S.C. § 113 reads in part: Law Day, U.S.A., is a special day of celebration by the people of the United States (1) in appreciation of their liberties and the reaffirmation of their loyalty to the United States and of their rededication to the ideals of equality and justice under law in their relations with each other and with other countries; and (2) for the cultivation of the respect for law that is so vital to the democratic way of life.

**Theme:** Miranda...More than Words

Every year the American Bar Association identifies a theme that underlines an important issue related to law. In 2016, the country celebrates the 50th anniversary of one of the nation's best-known U.S. Supreme Court case, *Miranda v. Arizona*. The Miranda Warning permeates in law enforcement and is ingrained in popular culture through numerous recitations in films and television productions. Miranda is only one part of the story when it comes to ensuring justice. This year's Law Day theme —Miranda...More than Words— will focus on exploring the protections afforded to each of us by the U.S. Constitution. Participants will learn about the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Amendments to the United States Constitution, how these rights are safeguarded by courts, and why preserving these principles is fundamental to our liberty.

For more information on the day's events and speaker's consult the following website

<http://lawday.montereycoe.org>