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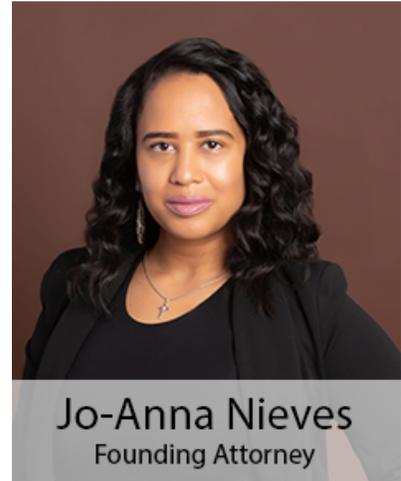
*"You can't fight for your rights if you don't know what they are." - **John Roberts***

Happy July from The Nieves Law Firm team! Hopefully you all had a safe and fun 4th of July weekend. More specifically, we hope none of you came out of the weekend facing criminal charges as a result of the weekend festivities. If you did, give us a call. We can help.

Scholarship Winner

This month, we were able to award a California student who is pursuing a career in the legal field with our annual "Know Your Rights" scholarship. We created this scholarship three years ago to assist students pursuing an interest in social justice and to spread awareness about individual rights. When individuals are not armed with specific knowledge about their rights, they run the risk of making self-incriminating statements during or after an arrest. We hope that this scholarship will encourage discussion and help educate others about the rights they possess during police encounters. This year's scholarship winner is Corinna Kwok, a law school bound student who recently graduated from the University of California, San Diego. Corinna will be attending the University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School this fall, and she looks forward to using her education to help those who have been underserved.

According to Corinna, "COVID-19 has exacerbated America's pre-existing



Jo-Anna Nieves
Founding Attorney

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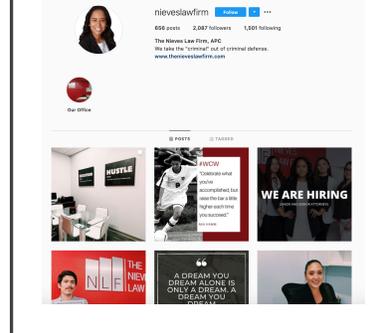
disparities as people of color and the underserved indigent population continue to be hit hardest. Quality civics education and effective advocacy work remain key to creating a more equitable society. Thanks to The Nieves Law Firm, I can worry less about the cost of law school and devote more of my attention to studying this justice gap, helping make positive changes for those who have been historically wronged and continue to face systemic injustices today.”

Congratulations Corinna! We look forward to all the great legal work she will do in the near future.



Super Lawyers

Every year, Super Lawyers honors the most successful lawyers across the country for their high-quality legal work. The Nieves Law Firm founder Jo-Anna Nieves was once again recognized by Super Lawyers with the Rising Star distinction for her exemplary legal work, marking the 6th consecutive year that Jo-Anna has been recognized by Super Lawyers for her successes in and outside the courtroom. This places Jo-Anna in elite company as only 2.5% of candidates are named to the Super Lawyers Rising Stars list. While the recognition is great, Jo-Anna notes that her focus is always on providing her clients with the best legal representation she can offer. “My goal is to always find the best results I can for my clients, one that takes their wants and needs into account,” Jo-Anna said. “The most rewarding part of my job is helping



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Fairfield Block Party on 7/24
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individuals get their lives back on track and it's always an honor to be recognized by Super Lawyers for the work we do."

Global Forgiveness

Speaking of holidays, have you ever heard of Global Forgiveness Day? A worldwide day of forgiveness, July 7th encourages the practice of forgiving. This holiday is very important to us as a criminal defense firm, especially considering our dedication to post-conviction relief. We understand that individuals can make mistakes. We also believe these same individuals can learn from their mistakes, be forgiven, and move forward with their life. Focus on forgiving this July, whether that is forgiving yourself for a past mistake or someone else who wronged you. Forgiveness can make a large difference in your overall happiness. In the legal field, forgiveness is a little bit different. It is often accompanied by some form or legal certification that removes a crime from your criminal record or states that you have been rehabilitated. If you need assistance getting forgiveness from the California legal system, we're here to help. Whether you need an expungement, a motion to vacate a prior conviction, or a certificate of rehabilitation, we're here for you. If you need assistance with post-conviction relief, give us a call.

As usual, we would like to thank you for your support of our firm. If you know anyone who could use the information covered in these newsletters, feel free to forward it along to them and encourage them to sign up at www.thenieveslawfirm.com. If you have any questions about this month's featured topic, or anything else related to criminal defense, please contact us today at [510.879.7549](tel:510.879.7549).

Stay healthy and safe.

Thank you,

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Jo-Anna Nieves Named To 2021 Super Lawyers Rising Stars List

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Under the current California cash bail system, if you are offered bail then you are required to pay it,,

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