



Ramona V. Manglona
Chief Judge

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TO: All CNMI Bar Association Members

RE: 2012 Annual Conference of the District Court of the Northern Mariana Islands

Dear Bar Association Member,

Buenas yan Hafa Adai!

We are pleased to invite you to attend our 2012 Annual District Court Conference, to be held January 28 and 29. This year's conference is graciously co-sponsored by the District Court of Guam, the Guam Bar Association, and the CNMI Bar Association.

We are extraordinarily pleased to announce that the keynote speaker at our conference will be the Honorable Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor of the United States Supreme Court. Appointed in 2009, Justice Sotomayor is the Court's 111th justice, its first Hispanic justice and its third female justice. The conference will commence on Saturday afternoon with sessions at the Fiesta Hall of the Hafadai Beach Hotel. It will continue on Sunday, January 28, at American Memorial Park with a luncheon in Justice Sotomayor's honor hosted by the CNMI Bar Association. On Sunday afternoon, Justice Sotomayor will participate in a "Conversatorio" at the U.S. District Court courtroom in the Horiguchi Building.

The CNMI conference registration form and agenda are available at the District Court website, <http://www.nmid.uscourts.gov/>. The registration fee is \$55.00. This price includes the Saturday afternoon conference sessions, Sunday luncheon, and the Sunday afternoon Conversatorio. A total of 5.5 hours of CLE credit will be offered (3.5 hours for the Saturday afternoon sessions and 2.0 hours for the Sunday Conversatorio).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Judge Manglona's assistant, Erlinda Villagomez, at (670) 236-2900 or erlinda_villagomez@nmid.uscourts.gov, or to e-mail Sean at sfrink@marianaslaw.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference. Si Yu'us ma'ase.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of Ramona V. Manglona in blue ink.

Ramona V. Manglona, Chief Judge
District Court of the Northern Mariana Islands

Handwritten signature of Sean Frink in blue ink.

Sean Frink
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