

## **Kimberly Toney**

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**From:** Prosecution Support Operations  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 16, 2021 4:00 PM  
**Subject:** FW: PAC Training

*The email below has been approved by Director, Ron Geltz, Bureau of Prosecution Support Operations:*

The Prosecutors Alliance of California (PAC) is a first-of-its-kind law enforcement association. It supports California prosecutors committed to reforming our criminal justice system through smart, safe, modern solutions that advance not just public safety but community well-being. PAC is launching a series of trainings entitled, “Third Thursday Training” and the first one will begin tomorrow, June 17, 2021, with a Trauma and Crime Survivors series. Please see the flier below for additional information on the topics/speakers, as well as a registration link for the training. Additional questions should be directed to Alana Mathews, Director of Training at [alana@prosecutorsalliance.org](mailto:alana@prosecutorsalliance.org)



**JOIN US**

*For our monthly*

**Third Thursday Training**

## **JUNE 17: "Understanding Trauma and Trauma Responsive Strategies"**

## **July 15: "Application of Trauma-Informed Approaches to Working with Crime Survivors "**

*Details can be found below.*

### Upcoming Training Topics:

LGBTQ Survivor Awareness

Impacts of Misdemeanor Declinations

### **WHAT:**

Two Part Training Series on Trauma and Crime Survivors

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Part One: Understanding Trauma and Trauma Responsive Strategies

This course will provide a broad overview of the biological, emotional and social impact of trauma on crime survivors and provide an understanding of trauma responsive strategies to promote healing and recovery.

#### Part Two: Application of Trauma Informed Approaches to Working with Crime Survivors

This session will provide support for implementing trauma informed practices in working with crime survivors including effective communication skills, assisting survivors in the prosecutorial process and justice options for crime survivors.

#### **WHEN:**

Part One:

Thursday, June 17, 2021

4:00PM - 5:00PM

Part Two

Thursday, July 15, 2021

4:00PM - 5:00PM

#### **ZOOM INFO:**

Register in advance for this meeting:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUocO2vrjgjGNQax3FSDdZtVw3fwCEL\\_FB](https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUocO2vrjgjGNQax3FSDdZtVw3fwCEL_FB)

#### **PRESENTERS:**

*Gena Castro Rodriguez Psy.D.*

Gena Castro Rodriguez is a psychologist and licensed marriage and family therapist in private practice, adjunct professor at the University of San Francisco and Chief of the Victim Services Division for the San Francisco District Attorney's Office. Dr. Castro Rodriguez received her bachelor's degree in psychology from Sacramento State

University, a master's degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of San Francisco, and her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from the California Institute for Integral Studies. Dr. Castro Rodriguez completed her doctoral internship at the San Francisco Psychotherapy Research Group Clinic. Her research interests include the areas of interpersonal trauma, the cycle of violence, delinquency and criminal behavior, victimology, gender responsive strategies and secondary trauma. Dr. Castro Rodriguez has taught at the University of San Francisco graduate counseling psychology program for eight years and teaches Trauma and Crisis among other courses.

Dr. Castro Rodriguez is the former the Chief of the Victim Services Division for the San Francisco District Attorney's Office where she oversaw the work with more than 9,000 victims of violent crime a year and teams including victim advocacy, California Victims of Crime Compensation, Restitution, and Mass Casualty.

### *Alana Mathews*

Alana Mathews is the Director of Training and Membership for the Prosecutors Alliance of California. She is an adjunct professor at McGeorge School of Law and a former prosecutor for the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office where she served in the misdemeanor, domestic violence, juvenile delinquency, general felony, superior court review and prison crimes units. She has tried 50 jury and court trials and supervised special calendars and collaborative courts. She earned her B.A. in Philosophy from Spelman College and her J.D. and LL.M from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law.

\*An application requesting 1 hour MCLE credit for this activity is pending for approval by the State Bar of California.

**We look forward to seeing you! Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.**

**- Alana Mathews**  
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