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## SD County Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk (ARCC) serves over 800 for Apostille services

SAN DIEGO, CA--San Diego County Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk (ARCC) Jordan Z. Marks, in partnership with the California Secretary of State, hosted a one day, Apostille Pop-Up Shop event from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 12 at the ARCC offices, Room #273, at the San Diego County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego. Free underground parking was offered at the entrance on Ash Street.

Apostille is the process that certifies the authenticity of documents for international use, including birth, death and marriage certificates, educational documents for university students' international travel, military documents and other documents required for business on the border. The authentication involves a signature by a public official. Officials with the California Secretary of State will attend to certify documents.

Normally, in-person apostille services are available only at California Secretary of State offices in Sacramento and Los Angeles. Marks said the San Diego Apostille Pop-Up Shop on March 12 helped local residents avoid traveling to Sacramento or Los Angeles for in-person apostille services.

For more information about the apostille event, visit [www.sdarcc.gov/apostillepopup](http://www.sdarcc.gov/apostillepopup).

"My office is excited to partner with



Top photos show some of the staff of the San Diego County Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk (ARCC) as they welcome the customers who braved the cold and rain to get their paperworks processed during the Apostille Pop-Up Shop in the County Administration Building (Courtesy photos by ARCC)



California Secretary of State Shirley Weber to deliver this much-needed service here in San Diego," said Marks. "As your elected advocate, I proactively sought out this great opportunity from the Secretary of State for San Diegans because it will save many who live and do business on the border, serve in our military, or are traveling internationally from an institution of higher education from having to travel hundreds of miles or spend hundreds of dollars to obtain this apostille authentication services. San Diego County is an international region and our office is proud to host

this event that will cut the red tape and save San Diegans time and money." Documents must be originals, no photocopies. Fees charged by the Secretary of State include \$20 for processing each apostille document, plus \$6 special handling fee for each public official's authentication signature. Non-cash payments can be made with Visa or MasterCard, personal check or money order. Notary services also will be available from the Clerk of the San Diego County Board of Supervisor for \$15 per signature. Notary services must be paid with only personal checks or

cash. Apostille services with the California Secretary of State can be processed by mail, but there's a chance of not filling out documents correctly without in-person review by a government worker. Plus, there's a four-to-six-week wait time.

This is the second year the ARCC Downtown San Diego office has hosted apostille services provided by the California Secretary of State. Last year, more than 1,300 customers saved thousands of dollars in travel thanks to the ARCC office. In 2024, a total of 2,854 apostilles were issued

during San Diego apostille events. According to Marks, among the individuals helped last year included a military member getting a driver's license certified for a deployment in Italy, several marriage certifications and international students getting diplomas verified before returning to home countries.

For the March 12, Apostille Pop-Up event, there were over 800 people served by ARCC. Anyone who is interested to avail of this service, to save time money and travelling time to go to Los Angeles, can reach out to the ARCC office for their next

scheduled apostille Pop-Up event on June 11 from 8am-5pm, at the ARCC offices, Room #273 at the San Diego County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego. So, mark your calendar to avail of this special service.

Other services that the ARCC offers include Marriage Licenses, Property Tax Savings, Birth/Death/Marriage Certificate information, Fictitious Business Name, Assessor Service and more.

Contact (619)236-3771 Assessor (619)237-0502 for Recorder/Clerk for more info.



3AF ELECTS  
**NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

### ASIAN AMERICAN ADVERTISING FEDERATION (3AF) ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LOS ANGELES, CA -- The Asian American Advertising Federation (3AF), the country's primary resource for Asian marketing, Asian advertising, and the power of the Asian American consumer, announced recently the election of a new President, Vice-President and several members of the 3AF Board of Directors. All were elected for a two-

year term. Cheryl Lee, Executive Director, Intertrend, will serve as President. Giancarlo Pacheco, CEO and Founder of Plan C Agency, was elected as Vice President.

Deepti Kapur, Co-Founder/COO, Diya TV, will serve as a first-time 3AF Board member.

Board members who were re-

elected and will continue to serve are: Jay Kim, Managing Director, AAAZA, Howard Lichtman, Co-Founder, Ethnicity Matters, Indrajit Majumdar, President, Vin Media & Digital Solutions, Michael Moon, CEO, Prime Image Media, Jack Schwartz, General Manager,

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## Pag-asa Law Clinic Hosts "Hand in Hand: Kamayan for Justice" Fundraiser to Support Immigrant Communities

SAN DIEGO, CA -- As immigration policies continue to shift and impact millions of individuals and families across the U.S., Pag-asa Law Clinic, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, is stepping up its efforts to provide essential legal services to those in need. On March 20, 2025, the clinic will host "Hand in Hand: Kamayan for Justice" at Villa Manila, a cultural dining experience designed to bring the community together in support of immigrants facing legal challenges.

With growing uncertainty in immigration law—from visa delays to deportation risks—many documented and undocumented immigrants are left vulnerable without access to affordable legal representation. Pag-asa Law Clinic provides free, pro bono, and discounted legal services to low-income individuals navigating the complexities of immigration law,

including asylum seekers, visa applicants, and those in removal proceedings. The clinic also offers Know Your Rights workshops to empower communities with legal knowledge and self-advocacy tools.

"Our goal is to ensure that no one is left without legal help simply because they cannot afford it," said Valerie Garcia Hong, Director at Pag-asa Law Clinic. "With ongoing changes in immigration policies, the demand for our services has never been greater."

**Join Us for Kamayan - A Cultural Feast for a Cause**

The Kamayan for Justice event will feature a traditional Filipino kamayan feast—an immersive, hands-on dining experience that embodies the spirit of unity and communal support. Tickets are \$40 per person, with \$200 sponsorships available to help offset the costs of legal representation, attorney fees, and government filing fees for immigrant families.

**Event Details:**

- Date: March 20, 2025
- Location: Villa Manila, 500 E. 8th Street, National City, CA 91950
- Tickets: [\$40 per person, \$200 sponsorships available]

• Purchase Tickets:

Zeffy Ticketing Link  
**Support a Cause That Changes Lives**

Pag-asa Law Clinic has been recognized with multiple grants and awards for its work in the community, ensuring that immigrants have access to justice regardless of their financial situation. Donations and event sponsorships will directly support legal aid, filing fee assistance, and immigrant advocacy projects.

Join us in breaking bread—and barriers—at Kamayan for Justice as we stand hand in hand for immigrant rights.

For more information about the event or how to support Pag-asa Law Clinic, please visit [www.pagasalawclinic.org](http://www.pagasalawclinic.org) or contact Aaron Giron at [pagasalawclinic@gmail.com](mailto:pagasalawclinic@gmail.com)

About Pag-asa Law Clinic  
Pag-asa Law Clinic is a nonprofit legal organization dedicated to providing pro bono and low-cost legal services to immigrants in the United States. Through direct legal representation, community education, and advocacy, the clinic strives to empower individuals and families seeking a path to stability and justice.

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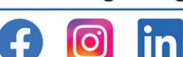
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