

# Bar Talk – June 29, 2020

- Emergency/Executive Order updates
  - judge reassignments
  - Law Court invites amicus briefs on termination of parental rights of a parent who is unable to provide direct care of a child, when the child is being cared for safely and appropriately by relatives under a guardianship; briefs due by July 13
  - June 26: nearly 100 Maine cities and towns will receive a total of \$9 million in grants to support local COVID-19 prevention efforts [www.maine.gov/covid19/](http://www.maine.gov/covid19/)
  - June 25: Gov Mills dedicates \$50K to permanent commission on the status of racial, indigenous and Maine tribal populations (Gov's daily digest bulletin)
  - June 22: after outbreaks in other states, indoor bar service in Maine will not resume as scheduled on July 1 in order to protect public health [www.maine.gov/covid19/](http://www.maine.gov/covid19/)
- Guest: Jonathan Dunitz re: proposed amendments to PMO-SJC-2 with respect to remote depositions
- Business-side updates
  - (ad hoc) Diversity Committee
  - no Bar Talk on July 6: Happy Independence Day!
  - upcoming guests: ACJ Mead on 7/13; Laurie Lachance on 7/20
- Personal-side updates
  - journal: thankful for living in the United States of America
- Questions/requests: MSBA can liaise – please send to [aarmstrong@mainebar.org](mailto:aarmstrong@mainebar.org)