



Kenneth Apicella Installed as NWSBA President

On June 23, 2022, members, friends and colleagues gathered at Makray Memorial Golf Club to celebrate the Installation of Northwest Suburban Bar Association's new President, Kenneth Apicella and the 2022 Officers and Board of Governors.

We were privileged to have the Hon. Jill Cerone-Marisie, Presiding Judge of the Third Municipal District, swear in President Kenneth Apicella, Officers and Directors Anthony Calzaretta, Stephanie Garces Donat, and Nicholas Richardson; and board members Robert Boszko, Allen Gabe, Christopher Nudo, Christine Svenson and Gregory Walker. (Unable to attend their swearing in that evening was Frank Serio). Also sworn in were Association Attorney Daniel Terhune and Tja Chiapelli and Caitlyn Wilder, Co-Parliamentarians.

Andrew and Apicella and a long-time friend and associate of President Apicella.

Matthew Fakhoury and Colin Gilbert emcee'd the event and kept all attendees entertained with their humor and jest.



*2022-2023 NWSBA President
Kenneth Apicella.*

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

BY: KENNETH APICELLA

I am honored to be elected to serve the Northwest Suburban Bar Association as President. The road to presidency in any organization is not a solo journey but is filled with people who support you, believe in you, and inspire you. And so to all of those people “thank you.” Amazing people brought me into the association years ago, and amazing people have kept me here and engaged since. The beauty of this bar association is the network of talented and passionate lawyers and judges — people that I have learned from, collaborated, commiserated, and celebrated with. I have developed referral relationships, partners and life-long friends as a result of this bar association.

Under the leadership of our Association's 65th President Moe Ahmad, the NWSBA has flourished in its mission to support our members and community. Under Moe's leadership, and though the efforts of all of the substantive committee chairs, our members earned literally thousands of hours of Continuing Legal Education credit. While it was at no cost to our members, it was of exceptional substance provided by a Trial Lawyers College Instructor (which provides its own CLE where the courses are thousands of dollars), Chief Judges of Federal District Courts coast to coast, Northwestern and Chicago Kent professors, the managing partner of a 900 lawyer, 17 office law firm, and many other nationally renowned experts and thought leaders, many through the Lunch & Learn with Geo series. At Moe's behest, the Association partnered with the Cook County Bar, Arab American Bar & Decalogue to bring in nationally recognized speakers on issues like implicit bias and discrimination.

On top of that, this past year the Association worked to give back to our membership with new social events like Picnic in the Park, instituted a Courthouse Relations Committee, oversaw the move of the Association's office, began hosting candidate townhall forums, and sold-out Judge's Night – if you can believe it, there was literally a wait list. Thank you Moe for your service and I for one look forward to seeing you succeed in your next chapter, whatever that may be. I am going to miss our calls – which almost always started with “Hi Ken, have you got a minute?” and ended . . . 20, 30, 40, 50 minutes later. And it wasn't just because Moe is a chatty guy, which we all know he is, but the conversations were extended because Moe cares so much about this organization, the legal community and the people we serve.

In every organization, we stand on the shoulders of those who came before us. For that reason, I would like to acknowledge and thank the past presidents who were with us at installation: Gary Newland, Nichole Waltz, Bill Kelley, Don Cosley, Lee DeWald, Scott Barber, Marty Glink, George Bellas and Sam Amirante. We are fortunate to have a great group of judges here in the Third Municipal District and are grateful for their support, especially our Presiding Judge Jill Cerone-Marisie. Thank you again to all of you for all that you do for our community.

Finally, I am thrilled to be supported by an exceptional Board and hall of fame EC – Tony Calzaretta, Steph Garcés-Donat, Nick Richardson and Frank Serio. We are positioned to succeed. We have a long history but have proven we are adaptable to changes as the times call for them. I look forward to serving in the coming year, and again express my thanks and appreciation to this Bar Association.

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The Court Facilitator program is unique to the Third Municipal District. The NWSBA provides volunteers on Thursdays from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM to assist the Domestic Relations judges. Dates are scheduled by the Association staff through use of a Sign Up Genius web site.

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A link to the volunteer sign up can be found on the Home Page of our website under the “Member Dashboard” tab. If you are a member and are not receiving volunteer emails from Sign Up Genius, please call the Association office at 847-621-2378.

Again, thank you for your service,
Pro Bono Committee

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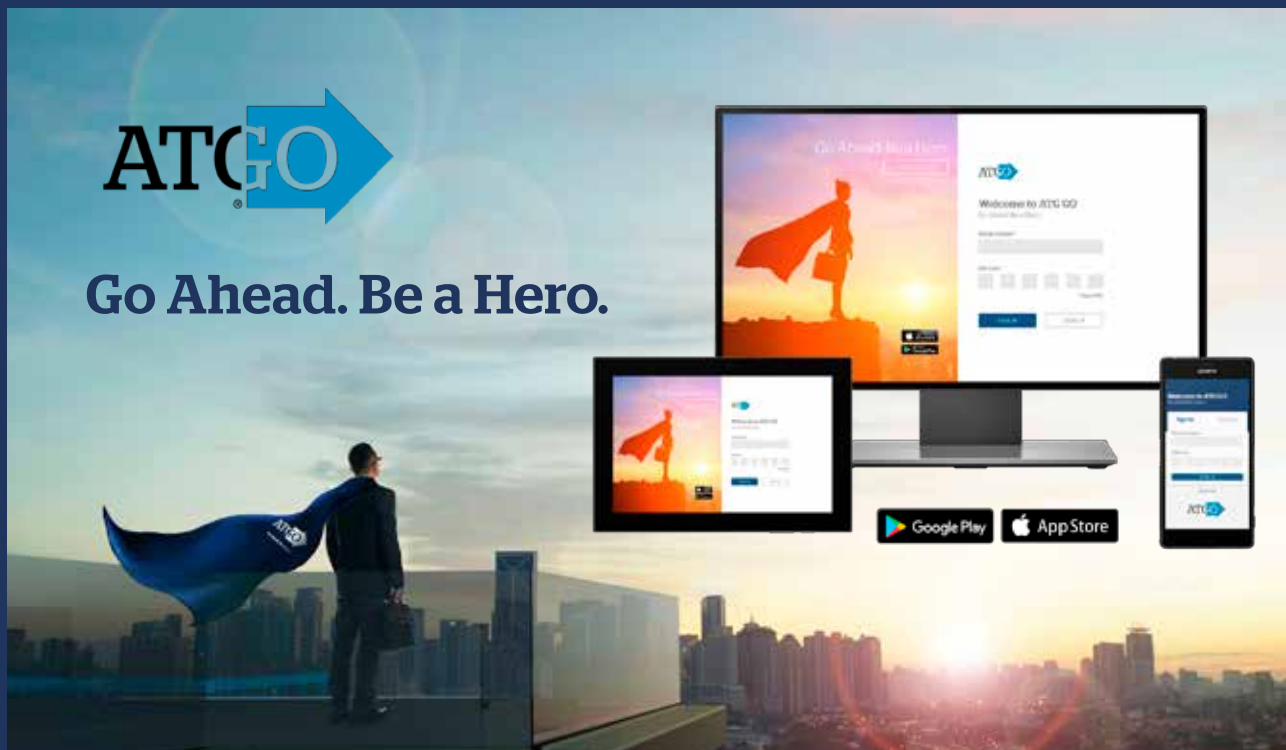
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