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efficient, responsive county government in Arizona.*



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CSA Thanks President Metzger; Elects President Martin & New Leadership Team

Coconino County Supervisor Mandy Metzger ended her successful year of service as president of CSA at the Board of Directors meeting on November 17, 2016.

"It was a great honor and privilege to serve as president of this important organization," Supervisor Metzger said. "I have a deep gratitude for the work of CSA and the significance of advocating on behalf of county priorities at the state legislature."

Incoming CSA President and Gila County Supervisor Tommie Cline Martin credited Supervisor Metzger with leading a strong coalition of counties dedicated to promoting efficient, responsive county government. "Supervisor Metzger is a passionate public servant and a strong community leader. She did a great job leading CSA and positioned the organization to be successful going forward."

In addition to thanking Supervisor Metzger for her service, the CSA Board of Directors elected the 2017 CSA Executive Committee.

Congratulations to the new leadership team:

- CSA President and Gila County Supervisor Tommie Cline Martin
- President-elect and Pinal County Supervisor Anthony Smith
- First Vice President and Yuma County Supervisor Russell McCloud
- Second Vice President and Santa Cruz County Supervisor Rudy Molera
- Third Vice President and Maricopa County Supervisor Steve Gallardo
- Immediate Past President and Coconino County Supervisor Mandy Metzger

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CSA Board Hears from ASU Water Policy Expert

At the November CSA Board of Directors meeting, Professor Rhett Larson, representing the Arizona State University (ASU) Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, provided a presentation on the history of Arizona's water laws and policy.

Professor Larson touched on a number of topics, including the Colorado River Compact, managing groundwater, and the various uncertainties surrounding the resolution of water rights. He also addressed the future of water in the west,



discussing traditional and non-traditional methods such as watershed management, desalination, and cloud seeding.

In addition to teaching law at ASU, Professor Larson is a Senior Research Fellow with the Kyl Center for Water Policy, where he works on dispute resolution and improved processes in water rights adjudications.

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ACJC Director Presents to CSA Board

On Thursday, the Executive Director of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC), Andrew LeFevre presented to the CSA Board of Directors about the role his organization plays in the criminal justice system.

Mr. LeFevre discussed the history and purpose of ACJC, noting, "ACJC is a statutorily authorized entity mandated to carry out various coordinating, monitoring and reporting functions regarding the administration and management of criminal justice programs in Arizona." He expressed gratitude for Graham County Supervisor Drew John's active participation as a member of the ACJC board. Mr. LeFevre also thanked CSA for their ongoing collaboration and advocacy at the state legislature.



ACJC was created in 1982 to serve as a resource and service organization for Arizona's 480 criminal justice agencies on a myriad of issues ranging from drugs, gangs, victim compensation and assistance to criminal record improvement initiatives. The ACJC works on behalf of the criminal justice agencies in Arizona to facilitate information and data exchange among state-wide agencies by establishing and maintaining criminal justice information archives, monitoring new and continuing legislation relating to criminal justice issues and gathering information and researching existing criminal justice programs.

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Announcing the Arizona Natural Resources Users Law & Policy Center

Cindy DeLancey, the Executive Director of the University of Arizona (UofA) Natural Resources Users Law and Policy Center joined the CSA Board of Directors to introduce her new program.

"The university is breaking new ground and is leading the way for agriculture and law students to work shoulder-to-shoulder with farmers, ranchers, miners and other natural resource users to impact law and public policy across the west," said Ms. DeLancey. She went on to share that she wanted to use her center to help counties engage with regulatory processes.



The center is a partnership between UofA's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALs) Cooperative Extension and the James E. Rogers College of Law, and is the first university-based and cooperative extension-based natural resources users' legal center in the nation. The center will include a Natural Resources Users Public Interest Law Clinic staffed by law and CALs students to address the unmet legal needs of ranchers, farmers, miners, and others who work with natural resources.

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VIDEO: 2016 CSA Summit Recap



Please click on the [video](#) above to view a brief summary of our 2016 CSA Legislative Summit. We would like to extend a special thanks to our friends from Yuma County for their assistance in creating this [video](#).

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This Week in Arizona History...

On November 19, 1929, by an overwhelming vote of more than 2 to 1, Cochise County residents elected to move the county seat from Tombstone to Bisbee.



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NACo Webinar

- [Energizing Counties: Strategies and Tools to Improve Your County's Energy Efficiency](#) will take place on December 1, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. (EST). This webinar will explore how counties are innovating to improve the energy efficiency of county assets, and assist residents and businesses with improving their energy efficiency.

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