



SPOTLIGHT ON SHELLEY KRAMER MCBA DIRECTOR

By Barbara Monty

Barbara Monty (BM) - Shelley, You are a new member of the Board of Directors, but have lived in Marin County for a long time. What brought you

to Marin?

Shelley Kramer (SK) - Well, I'm a Los Angeles native, went to Hami High School and attended UCLA with Phil Green. My dad was an LA lawyer, Hastings admitted me, and so I moved to San Francisco in 1975, scared to death. I burst into tears crossing the Bay Bridge and never looked back!

Hastings classmates like Matt White kept me entertained. I've lived in Marin County since 1982, I can't count the number of times I've blasted across the Golden Gate Bridge, but always tried to catch the view.

BM - I know you've been a successful insurance defense trial attorney for many years. Tell me about your law practice now.

SK - My new solo practice here in Marin is a "babe in arms", needing constant care and feeding, but it's starting to grow. I am doing everything - BNI, Chambers of Commerce, Toastmasters, Attorneys In Motion, Linked In, Portfolio, Legal Aid, contract work, serving in Small Claims - you name it. After many years working for a corporation, I am so excited to be representing people with problems the legal system can solve. If only those people can find the right representation.

BM - Please tell me about your family.

SK - My family consists of my partner Aaron Crocker, a painting contractor, his son Jesse (just married to Kasi),

and my sons J. Kramer Winningham (just married to Kes-hia) and Zack Winningham (still holding out). Thankfully all three have grown to be fantastic young men with bright futures.

BM - What do you like to do when not practicing law?

SK - Travel. Cook. Garden. Feeding my bees. Hiking with my Jack Russell. Mah Jong. People! Currently I'm enjoying coaching mock trial - go Terra Linda!

Shelley is too modest to mention this but her somewhat casual, breezy, manner and self-deprecating humor is just a cover for the very sharp legal mind, assertive litigator, and warm heart.



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