



Projects and Events

NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MENDEZ V. WESTMINSTER EXHIBIT RECEPTION HELD IN S.F.

- A large group of members and guests gathered June 12th at the James R. Browning U.S. Courthouse in San Francisco at the opening program and reception of the traveling exhibit “A Class Action: The Grassroots Struggle for School Desegregation in California.”

The program, hosted by Circuit Judge Mary Schroeder, featured a talk on the significance and legacy of *Mendez et al v. Westminster School District et al*, the subject of the exhibit, by Circuit Judge Mary Murguia. Also participating in the program were descendants of the plaintiffs, Gonzalo Mendez, Jr., and Beverly Guzman Gallegos.

The exhibit will be displayed at the Browning U.S. Courthouse from June 2 to August 7, 2014.

The NJCHS is making arrangements to display the exhibit next at the Edward Schwartz Courthouse in San Diego, beginning in late September.

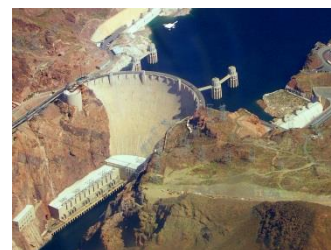
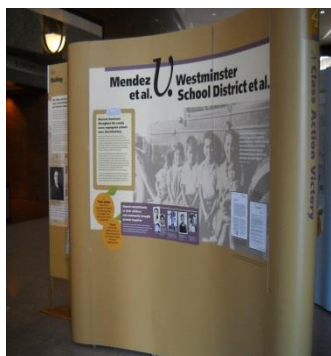
SANTA ANA COURT HOUSE HISTORY RECORDED

- The struggle to bring a federal courthouse to Orange County is the subject of a new video project the NJCHS is developing with the aid of District Judge Dave Carter.

In March, Judge Carter invited Judges Manuel Real, Terry Hatter, Dickran Tevrizian, Gary Taylor,

Andrew Guilford, Bankruptcy Judge John Ryan, Magistrate Judge Arthur Nakazato, and former Congressmen Jerry Patterson and Christopher Cox as well as Court Architect Allen Leslein to the Santa Ana courthouse to be interviewed for a new video documentary. The NJCHS provided the videographer and lunch for the participants, who reminisced on tape about their involvement in creating the Ronald Reagan Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, which opened in 1998.

The finished video will be probably be available on a kiosk in the courthouse lobby.



NJCHS SPONSORS PANEL ON WATER LAW AT HISTORY CONFERENCE

- The NJCHS will sponsor a panel on “The Legal and Physical Infrastructure of Southern California Water” at the Western History Association 54th annual conference in Newport Beach this October.

Chaired by Donald Pisani, University of Oklahoma, the panel features Tanis Thorne, UC Irvine, Jason Robison, University of Wyoming, and Peter Reich, Whittier Law School. A future issue of *Western Legal History* will feature their papers.



