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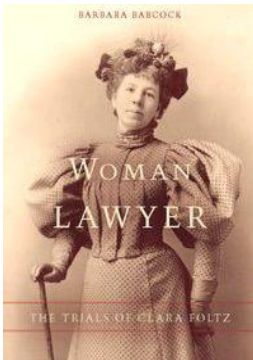
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Clara Foltz and the Public Defender

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Join **Barbara Babcock**, author of the new book, *Woman Lawyer: The Trials of Clara Foltz*, for a panel presentation on Clara Foltz and the Role of the Public Defender. Professor Babcock was the first woman appointed to the regular faculty at Stanford Law School, the first Director of the Public Defender Service in D.C., and an Assistant Attorney General in the Department of Justice. Clara Foltz was the first woman admitted to the California Bar and the first to propose the creation of the public defender.

On Thursday, April 21, Barbara Babcock and **Prof. Myrna Raeder**, **Prof. Samantha Buckingham**, and Federal Deputy Public Defender **Carlton Gunn** will present a panel program moderated by **Ronald L. Brown**, Public Defender of Los Angeles County. It will be held at the Music Center, 5th floor, and has been approved for 1 hour of MCLE credit. This special event will begin at 5:30 PM with a reception sponsored by the California Supreme Court Historical Society. Honored guests who will open the program are Senior Circuit **Judge Arthur L. Alarcon** of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and Presiding **Judge Lee S. Edmon** of the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County.

Parking at the Music Center will be free with validation. The program cost is \$10, complimentary for active members of the judiciary and law students.

To register for the Clara Foltz and the Role of the Public Defender program, please [CLICK HERE](#).