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Join Hon. Roberta S. Hayashi, for a discussion of the history and legacy of the World War II incarceration of Japanese Americans, the *Korematsu* cases, and their significance for today.

The World War II incarceration of 120,000 men, women and children of Japanese ancestry was the result of decades of anti-Asian bias. In 1944, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld Fred Korematsu’s conviction for violating the wartime relocation laws. Forty years later, in overturning that conviction, Judge Marilyn Hall Patel wrote: “*Korematsu* stands as a caution that . . . in times of international hostility and antagonisms our institutions, legislative, executive and judicial, must be prepared to exercise their authority to protect all citizens from the petty fears and prejudices that are so easily aroused.” (*Korematsu v. United States*, 584 F.Supp. 1406 (1984)). In 2018, Chief Justice Roberts wrote that *Korematsu* was “gravely wrong” when it was decided in 1944—but wrote for a majority upholding the “Muslim Travel Ban” in *Trump v. Hawai’i*.

Anti-Asian bias has flared again during the Covid-19 pandemic. What is the legacy of the *Korematsu* cases? Are we better prepared to protect all citizens from the “fears and prejudices” of the 21st century?

Hoge Fenton is pleased to be co-sponsoring this event.

Register

Speaker

Hon. Roberta S. Hayashi, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara

Program

Time: 12:15-1:15pm

Location: Via Zoom

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SCCBA Member: Free

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