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FROM WRITING, TO HOSTING, TO LAW, Mona Parsa, Esq. takes her experience and talents to the books, to the mic, and to advocacy. A former Miss Teenage Laguna Niguel titleholder, Miss Teenage California finalist, and a 2015 Woman on the Move as named by *We Magazine for Women*, Mona has been seen working with national and international organizations such as the State Department's U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) and the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), and can be spotted hosting events throughout the region.

Underpinning Mona's work and activities is the passion to empower others with the means to live a purposeful life. As an attorney, she provides contracts review and assistance to entertainers who are on the road of pursuing their dreams, and provides immigration assistance to entrepreneurs and artists looking to pursue their calling in the U.S.

Spurred by the belief that understanding and empowerment can be fostered through communication—in any form—Mona's name can be seen on paper and her presence behind the mic. Her award-winning children's book, *And So You Were Born*, encourages a purpose-led life for youngsters and was granted the 2014 Moonbeam Children's Book Award. And, for technology-loving little ones, *ASYWB* is accompanied by its interactive, first-of-its-kind book app version for the iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch, which has landed in the TOP 100 Book Apps in the U.S. iTunes App Store and on top charts in countries on nearly every continent around the world.

Other published work includes the *Legal Briefs on Immigration Reform from 25 of the Top Legal Minds in the Country* (an immigration reform resource book with contributions from notable legal figures), and her legal articles have been featured in papers internationally. Currently, Mona is a contributor of legal articles for entrepreneurs at LoveToKnow.com

Taking the importance of communication to another notch, Mona was prompted to launch a blog to empower her generation with legal literacy for their personal and professional lives. Deemed hip legal news for millennials, the **LegalGreenRoom.com** covers the interplay between law and trending stories, presenting thought-provoking questions and delivering the law in simplified language for the non-legal audience via webisodes, articles and on and off-camera interviews with celebrity guests.



Mona's hosting work extends beyond the Legal Green Room. Lively and with an ability to engage and hold an audience's interest, she is sought after time and again to host and emcee a variety of events, from American Cancer Society races to long-running musical events featuring the likes of Grammy-nominated songwriters. She studies with the queen of hosting, Marki Costello, and has served as a high school Street Law instructor for at-risk and learning-disabled youth on civil rights and responsibilities.

This experience—coupled with numerous producing credits—sets the stage for Mona to take her work to the next dimension.