

# Jewish Genealogical Society of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County\* (JGSCV) (\*and surrounding areas)

The Jewish Genealogical Society of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County (JGSCV) will hold a **Zoom** meeting, Sunday, December 12, 2021 1:30-3:30 p.m. Open only to JGSCV members (see below for membership app). Ask the Experts/Schmoozing Corner begins at 1:10 PM Annual Membership Meeting/Chanukah Gifts following the presentation. **Zoom link will be emailed to members a few days before the meeting.**



## The Program: The Arolsen Archives: A Treasure Trove of Records



The Arolsen Archives, formerly known as the International Tracing Center, located in Bad Arolsen, Germany is an international center on Nazi persecution and answers questions about 20,000 victims yearly. The archives are overseen by an 11-nation International Commission comprised of Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, the United Kingdom, and the United States. They have a comprehensive online archive. In addition to talking about the records, Director Azoulay will discuss their crowdsourcing initiative **#everynamecounts**, an initiative by the Arolsen Archives which aims to establish a digital memorial to the people persecuted by the Nazis. Ms. Azoulay will also address about data protection and how that equates with their open records access.

**Speaker: Floriane Azoulay, Director, Arolsen Archives.** A French human rights expert, was appointed head of the institution by the International Commission (IC) of the Arolsen Archives in 2016. In the past five years of her tenure, she has repositioned the institution, raised its public profile, and implemented digitization throughout the organization. Previously, Floriane Azoulay served as Head of the Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department at the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)

There is no charge to attend the meeting. Anyone may join JGSCV. Annual dues are \$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family.

<https://www.jgscv.org/pdf/membership%20application.pdf>

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