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Section Meetings

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Commercial Law & Bankruptcy

Topic:

What Every Bankruptcy Attorney Needs to Know About the Mortgage Settlement

Speaker:

Katherine Porter, Professor, *UC Irvine School of Law*, California Monitor, A Program of the Attorney General

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Appellate Law

Topic:

Be Careful What You Ask For—Dispositions on Appeal

Speakers:

Hon. Raymond J. Ikola, Associate Justice, *California Court of Appeal, Fourth District, Division Three*; **Marjorie G. Fuller**, Attorney at Law, *Law Office of Marjorie G. Fuller*

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Workers' Compensation Law

Topic:

Comprehensive Cardiovascular Evaluation

Speaker:

Dr. Mark Hyman

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Immigration Law

Topic:

Fighting the Unauthorized Practice of Law: State Bar of California Efforts to Crack Down on the Unauthorized Practice of Immigration Law

Speakers:

Senator Joseph Dunn (Ret.), Executive Director, *State Bar of California*; **Richard M. Wilner**, Attorney at Law, Moderator, *Wilner & O'Reilly*; **Thomas Layton**, Law Enforcement Coordinator, *State*

Bar of California

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Construction Law

Topic:

Secret Soils, Taking the Mystery Out of Geotechnical

OCBA Charitable Fund Fall Fundraiser

Friday, Nov. 2, 2012

Strawberry Farms, Irvine

Support the OCBA Charitable Fund's philanthropic efforts at this Annual Fall Fundraiser. Enjoy gourmet food, games, live music from The Blues Offenders and Big Tuna, an auction, and more—all while celebrating this year's "Blues & Brews" theme. You can be a "Blues & Brews" Supporter with a donation of \$250 or more. Proceeds go to benefit law-student scholarships and law-related charities serving Orange County residents. [Download the flyer](#) for more information or [register online](#). To learn more about the OCBA Charitable Fund, please [click here](#).



News



OCBA Announces Election Results

The OCBA's annual election closed at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2012. In accordance with the OCBA bylaws, 2012 President-Elect Wayne R. Gross will succeed to the Presidency in 2013. The rest of the 2013 Executive Committee will be comprised of President-Elect Thomas H. Bienert, Jr., Treasurer Ashleigh E. Aitken, **newly elected Secretary Todd G. Friedland** (shown here), and Immediate Past President Dimetria A. Jackson. Elected to the Board of Directors for three-year terms beginning January 2013 are Terri K. Flynn, Steven G. Hittelman, and Deirdre M. Kelly.

The 2013 Officers and Board members will be installed along with the OCBA Charitable Fund's Board of Directors by Justice William W. Bedsworth on Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013, during the [OCBA Judges' Night and Annual Meeting](#) at the Irvine Marriott.

Robert von Esch Jr., Former OCBA Board Member, Scoville Honoree Passes

Former OCBA Board member and [Harmon G. Scoville Award recipient](#) Robert A. von Esch, Jr., passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2012. A veteran of World War II, von Esch served on the OCBA Board of Directors, the Client Relations Committee, the Mandatory Fee Arbitration Committee, the OCBA Speakers' Bureau, and as a mentor for the Mentoring Program. He was also a member of numerous OCBA sections, as well as the OCBA Masters Division. A memorial service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2012, at Memory Garden Memorial Park in Brea. Following the service, a celebration lunch will be held at Angelo & Vinci's in Fullerton. In lieu of flowers, donations are being accepted on behalf of Robert von Esch, Jr., for the [Fullerton College Scholarship Foundation](#), 714.525.5651.



Nominations Sought for 2012 Franklin G. West Award

Deadline: Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2012 Franklin G. West Award—the OCBA's highest honor. This annual OCBA recognition was established in memory of Judge Franklin G. West and is considered the OCBA's lifetime achievement award. Judge West epitomized the best of the legal profession, both as an attorney and a judge. This award is presented each year to an outstanding

Issues in Southern California

Speakers:

Dennis Boratynec, GE, PE, LCG
Geotechnical, Inc.; **Timothy J. Lawson**, GE, PE, CEG, PG, LCG
Geotechnical, Inc.

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Environmental Law

Topic:

**California's New Low Threat
Underground Storage Tank
Case Closure Policy**

Speakers:

Kurt Berchtold, Executive
Officer, *RWQCB, Santa Ana*; **Ravi
Arulanantham**, Principal,
Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.

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Health Care Law

Topic:

**Non-Traditional & Managed
Medical Practices**

Speaker:

Bruce E. Dizenfeld, Attorney at
Law, *Theodora Oringer, PC*

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Elder Law

Topic:

**Making Life Support Decisions
as a Health Care Surrogate—
Different Rules and Standards
for Conservators and Health
Care Agents**

Speaker:

Stephen M. Magro, Attorney at
Law, *Law Offices of Stephen M.
Magro*

From Our Affiliate Bars & Supported Charities

Celtic Bar Association

General Meeting

3rd Tuesday of every month

Constitutional Rights

Foundation - Orange County

Federal Bar Association -

Orange County

Hispanic Bar Association -

Orange County

Annual Dia De Los Muertos De

Barranda

Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012

35th Annual Fundraiser &

Installation Dinner

Saturday, March 2, 2013

HBA/OCBA MCLE Travel

Seminar, Quepos, Costa Rica

2013

Thursday, May 23 - Monday, May

27, 2013

J. Reuben Clark Law Society

Luncheon

Thursday, Nov. 15, 2012

Lex Romana

Monthly Dinner

4th Tuesday of Every Month

Orange County Asian

attorney or judge whose lifetime achievements have advanced justice and the law. The 2012 Franklin G. West Award will be presented at the OCBA Judges' Night & Annual Meeting on Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013. Please [click here](#) to download the nomination form. All nominations must be submitted by Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012.

Featured MCLE

The OCBA and UCI School of Law Present Thurgood Marshall: A Salute to a Giant in Civil Rights Jurisprudence and Leadership



Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012

Registration/Hot Breakfast Buffet 8:45 a.m., Program 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

UC Irvine Education Building, Irvine

Justice Marshall inspired several generations of lawyers to pursue justice and perfect their ability to use the court system to achieve the goals of the U.S. Constitution. Come hear a vibrant discussion on the seminal contributions made by Justice Marshall and how his jurisprudence still quietly impacts the U.S. Supreme Court today. This is the inaugural installment of the OCBA's new series of educational programs that will pay tribute to legal giants who have had an enormous impact on the United States justice system as well as on the nation as a whole.

Speakers:

- **Rebecca Brown**, Newton Professor of Constitutional Law, *USC Gould School of Law*, Former Law Clerk of Justice Thurgood Marshall
- **Erwin Chemerinsky**, Dean & Distinguished Professor of Law, *University of California, Irvine, School of Law*
- **Dimetria A. Jackson**, President, *Orange County Bar Association*, Attorney at Law, *Montage Legal Group*



[Download the flyer](#) for more information or [register online](#).

Young Lawyers Division Programs & Events

YLD Winter Softball League

The OCBA Young Lawyers Division co-ed softball team (a social group where athletic skill is purely optional) will play in Irvine, most likely on Wednesday evenings. The City of Irvine's eight-game Winter Softball Season tentatively runs from mid-November 2012 to late January 2013. Space is limited, so [download the flyer](#) or [register online](#) by Monday, Nov. 5, 2012.



Community Projects & Volunteer

Opportunities

Orangewood Children & Family Center Visit

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012

Orangewood Children & Family Center, Orange

Orangewood Children & Family Center cares for children who are victims of neglect and abuse. This is an opportunity to participate in a memorable volunteer experience. Activities include playing games and doing crafts. The children have said the best part of their stay is when volunteers come to play with them. Taco Bell will generously provide lunch for the children and volunteers. The deadline to register is Friday, Nov. 2, 2012. Space is limited, so

Orange County Asian American Bar Association
WSU Speed Mentoring
Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012
8th Annual Friends & Family Holiday Dim Sum Party
Saturday, Dec. 8, 2012

Orange County Criminal Defense Bar Association
Monthly Meeting
4th Tuesday of Every Month

Orange County Jewish Bar Association
Monthly Meeting
1st Tuesday of Every Month

Orange County Lavender Bar Association
Monthly Meeting
1st Thursday of Every Month
Monthly Member Mixer
2nd Tuesday of Every Month

Orange County Trial Lawyers Association

Orange County Women Lawyers Association
What is the Difference Between Marketing and Business Development?
Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012

Public Law Center

We welcome your comments at info@ocbar.org

sign up early. Volunteers must be 18 or older. [Download the flyer](#) for more information or [register online](#).

Pro Bono Opportunity: Bankruptcy Clinics

Volunteer your time at the weekly Chapter 7 Clinics held by the OCBA and the Public Law Center (PLC). For more information, please contact OCBA LRIS Coordinator Olivia Torres at 949.440.6700 ext. 109 or by email at otorres@ocbar.org. Additionally, PLC is collecting donated reference materials for use by pro bono attorneys at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Santa Ana. To make a donation, please contact Leigh Ferrin at 714.541.1010 ext. 290 or by email at lferrin@publiclawcenter.org.

UC Irvine Mock Trial Tournament: Volunteer Judges Needed

Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012 – Sunday, Nov. 18, 2012

Harbor Justice Center, Newport Beach

The Orange County Bar Association is proud to announce that it has partnered with UC Irvine to sponsor the only college-level mock trial tournament in Orange County, which will be held Nov. 17-18 at Harbor Justice Center in Newport Beach, as well as the official West Coast qualifier in March 2013, where teams from California and Arizona compete to represent the region at the National Championship. OCBA members are invited to volunteer as judges for the November tournament, which consists of four rounds; you are welcome to judge as many or as few as you like. Each trial lasts three hours or less. No litigation experience is required to participate as a judge (only a JD), and all relevant information will be covered during a brief orientation. Food and parking will be provided. Interested volunteers can [sign up online](#). If you have any questions, please contact UC Irvine Tournament Coordinator Rachel Richards (rachelcr@uci.edu) or Head Coach Justin Bernstein (irvine.coach@gmail.com).

CRF-OC Seeks Mock Trial Judge, Attorney Volunteers

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2012 – Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2012

Central Justice Center, Santa Ana

Volunteers are being sought for the 2012 Orange County Mock Trial Competition. In an effort to balance scoring, Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County invites participation of attorneys and judges from all areas of law. [Click here](#) to download the registration form.

Events



OCBA 2013 Judges' Night & Annual Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013

Irvine Marriott, Irvine

Join the OCBA for its 2013 Judges' Night & Annual Meeting, during which Wayne R. Gross of Greenberg Traurig LLP will be installed as 2013 OCBA President. In addition to the installation of OCBA Officers, Directors, and OCBA Charitable Fund Directors, a highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Franklin G. West Award. [Download the flyer](#) for more

information or [register online](#).

Upcoming MCLE Programs

OCBA & the OCBA Mommy Esquire Committee Present
Recruiting & Retaining Lawyers with Children—Bias, Employment Law, & Good Business

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2012

Radisson Hotel, Newport Beach

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

OCBA & UCI Law School Present
Thurgood Marshall—A Salute to a Giant in Civil Rights Jurisprudence and Leadership

Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012

University of California, Irvine

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).



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**OCBA Family Law Section Presents
Family Law "Discovery" Symposium**

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2012

Grand Catered Events, Orange

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

**OCBA, OCWLA, & the Orange County Superior Court Present
Understanding e-Filing**

Friday, Nov. 9, 2012

Central Justice Center, Santa Ana

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

**OCBA & the Public Law Center Present
Pro Bono Bankruptcy Training: Basic Chapter 7 Petitions**

Thursday, Nov. 15, 2012

OCBA, Newport Beach

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

**OCBA Presents
Mediator Disclosures in Private and in Court-Connected
Mediation: Is the Neutral Neutral?**

Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012

OCBA, Newport Beach

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

**OCBA, OCWLA, & the Orange County Superior Court Present
Understanding e-Filing**

Monday, Dec. 3, 2012

Central Justice Center, Santa Ana

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

**OCBA Presents
What the Savvy Solicitor Needs to Know about
Stress, Ethics, & Bias to Stay Stable, Sober, & Successful**

Thursday, Dec. 6, 2012

Radisson Hotel, Newport Beach

[Register online](#) or download the [registration flyer](#).

From the Courts & State Bar

Fraudulent Notices

It has come to the attention of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange that its name and address have been included in a fraudulent notice being distributed to unsuspecting Orange County residents/homeowners. For more information, please [click here](#).

Order for Destruction of Court Records

Administrative Order No. 12/08, issued Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2012, by the Orange County Superior Court, authorizes the trial court clerk to destroy court records if notice of destruction is provided and there is no request and order for transfer of the records. Please [click here](#) for additional information.

San Diego North County Department 30 Closed

Due to unprecedented and ongoing state budget reductions during the current fiscal year, the San Diego Superior Court has announced that, effective Monday, Oct. 15, 2012, North County Department 30 has closed. Cases ending in -000 to -250 will be reassigned to Judge Jacqueline M. Stern; cases ending in -251 to -500 will be reassigned to Judge Earl H. Maas, III; cases ending in -501 to -750 will be reassigned to Judge Robert P. Dahlquist; and cases ending in -751 to -999 will be reassigned to Judge Timothy M. Casserly.

New, Revised, and Repealed Forms for the Judicial Council, San Diego Superior Court

The Superior Court of California has issued a list of new, revised, and repealed Judicial Council and San Diego Superior Court forms, which can be accessed by [clicking here](#). Court forms are available online at www.sdcourt.ca.gov or in person at Central Courthouse, 220 W Broadway in San Diego. Judicial Council

forms may be found at www.courts.ca.gov/formsrules.htm.

Court Closures During Thanksgiving Through New Year's Holidays

The Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California will be closed on the following holidays:

Thursday, Nov. 22, 2012	Thanksgiving
Friday, Nov. 23, 2012	State of California Holiday
Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2012	Christmas
Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2013	New Year's Day

For more information, please [click here](#).

U.S. Courts Request for Public Comment

Deadline: Friday, Feb. 15, 2013

The Judicial Conference Advisory Committees on Appellate, Bankruptcy, Criminal, and Evidence Rules have proposed amendments to their respective rules and requested that the proposals be circulated to the bench, bar, and public for comment. To view the proposed revisions, reports on the revisions from the applicable advisory committees, as well as information about submitting written comments or testimony at public hearings, please [click here](#).

California Lawyer Seeking CLAY Nominations

Deadline: Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012

California Lawyer magazine is seeking nominations for its 17th Annual California Lawyer Attorneys of the Year (CLAY) Awards. Nominees must be active members of the State Bar of California with achievements completed between Dec. 2, 2011, and Nov. 1, 2012, that have had a significant impact on the law, the profession, a particular industry, and/or the general good of the public. To access the nomination form, please [click here](#).

State Bar Request for Public Comment: Deceitful Conduct

Deadline: Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2012

The California State Bar is currently accepting public comments on Proposed Formal Opinion Interim No. 11-0002 regarding whether an attorney has engaged in deceitful conduct by not alerting opposing counsel of: (A) an apparent material error made by opposing counsel in contract language; or (B) a material change made by the attorney in contract language. For more information, please [click here](#).

State Bar Request for Public Comment: Open Meeting Rules

Deadline: Friday, Nov. 30, 2012

The California State Bar is currently accepting public comments on Proposed Revisions to State Bar Rules Title 6, Division 2, Chapter 1 regarding State Bar Open Meeting Rules. The proposed amendments would eliminate the closed meeting exception for Board Committees for advice of counsel and prohibit the Board from voting by secret ballot when electing its officers. For more information, please [click here](#).

State Bar Request for Public Comment: Notice of Client's Right to Arbitration

Deadline: Monday, Dec. 3, 2012

The California State Bar is currently accepting public comments on proposed modifications to the Notice of Client's Right to Arbitration form. Please [click here](#) for more information.

State Bar Request for Public Comment: Confidential Information and Unsolicited E-Mail Correspondence

Deadline: Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2013

The California State Bar is currently accepting public comments on Proposed Formal Opinion Interim No. 06-0004 regarding what an attorney should do if the attorney receives from a non-party a confidential communication between opposing counsel and opposing counsel's client, if the attorney reasonably believes that the communication may not be privileged because of the crime-fraud exception to the attorney-client privilege. For more information, please [click here](#).

For more details and information, please visit the [Court's website](#) and the [State Bar website](#).