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President's Message *By Keric J. Cushing*



THANK YOU FOR YOUR VALUABLE AND CONTINUED SUPPORT OF SCBA!

It's funny how when you're a kid school years' seem interminably long and all breaks unduly short; yet once you start working in the "real world" every day ends in "y" and they just seem to fly by. That was certainly the case with 2016 nearing an end, and so too my term as President of the SCBA. Thank you to the entire bar association board for their hard work, dedication, and boundless enthusiasm over this past 12 months. I also want to thank and acknowledge our Executive Director, Deana Skelton, for all that she does to make our jobs easier. Together we have been able to advance a significant number of programs and events to benefit our bar membership. I also want to thank our local bench and bar for their continued participation with and support of our local bar association—we couldn't do it without you! While it may be stating the obvious, it is the generosity of all of our local businesses, members, firms, and participants that make what we do possible. As a "non-profit" your bar association is highly dependent upon sponsorships to defray the ever increasing costs of operation. That said, the following are several upcoming MCLE programs that we hope you will attend and that you continue to provide SCBA with your much-needed sponsorships for our programs (when applicable):

JANUARY:

13 MCLE: COMPETENCE ISSUES – General Wellness & Stress Management, by David Mann of The Other Bar, in the Jury Room, from 12-1 p.m., worth 1 hour Competence Issues (formerly Substance Abuse) credit. This is a "free" class to all 2017 paid bar members! This class fills up quickly--sign up ASAP! You have the option to order a lunch only for \$8.50. Program flyer is included in this issue. You may also go online to the bar website at STANBAR.ORG and to register and pay.

FEBRUARY:

3 MCLE: ABC's OF CONTEMPT, by Judge Robert Westbrook, from 12-1 p.m., in the Jury Room, for 1 hour of general MCLE credit.

Our website, STANBAR.ORG, was revamped this year to make it more convenient and user- friendly. You can now sign up and PAY for events and MCLE programs online. Please be sure to RENEW your SCBA MEMBERSHIP (online) and reach out to your fellow practitioners and encourage them to join if they aren't currently or have never been members. As noted above, the first obtain FREE admission to our MCLE covering Competence Issues on January 13, 2017 by David Mann who is always a compelling, motivational, and entertaining speaker. Thank you again to all who have made this year a successful one for the SCBA as we look forward to the next year under our new President, Robert Farrace.

Wishing you all a happy holiday season and a prosperous and healthy New Year!



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SCBA Calendar of Events

** You may also view all Bar Association events at STANBAR.ORG **

JANUARY 2017

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FEBRUARY

3 MCLE: **ABC's of CONTEMPT**, by Judge Robert Westbrook of Stanislaus County, from 12-1 PM, in the Jury Room. SCBA has not had a program presented on "contempt" before. This will be an important program you do not want to miss out on!

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CONGRATULATIONS, BRANDY!

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Douglas Neibauer (1940 - 2016)

Douglas Leroy Neibauer

February 3, 1940 - September 16, 2016

Doug grew up in Montana and graduated from Billings High School. He attended the University of Montana and graduated law school in 1964, at the age of 24. He clerked at Montana Supreme Court and served in the US Air force JAG Corp, attaining the rank of Captain. After leaving JAG in 1967, he became assistant district attorney for Yellowstone County, Montana.

Having lived in California during his military service, he returned in 1969. California weather was excellent for his favorite pass time—tennis. He was also a member of Del Rio CC, Modesto Tennis Club, SOS, California and Stanislaus County Bar.

Doug was with Strauss, Neibauer in Modesto, CA, until 2015.

Doug will be greatly missed by our legal community. Our thoughts go out to his family and friends.

MINIMUM CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

Group 2 (H – M)

2/1/15 – 1/31/18

Deadline: 2/1/2018

Group 3 (N – Z)

2/1/14 – 1/31/17

Deadline: 2/1/2017

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The SCBA continues to accept contributions for the 2017 Scholarship Fund. Our goal for 2017 is to provide two \$1,000 Scholarship Awards to Stanislaus County High School seniors at the 2017 Law Day Luncheon.

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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 8, 2016

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The Superior Court of California, County of Stanislaus is pleased to announce the following leadership and assignment changes effective January 2017:

Presiding Judge	Judge Ricardo Cordova
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Supervising Civil	Judge Timothy Salter
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Presiding Judge-Juvenile	Judge Ann Ameral

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Department 2	Judge Linda McFadden	Criminal-Specialty Calendar
Department 3	Judge Marie Silveira	Criminal
Department 4	Judge Rick Distaso	Criminal
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Department 9	Judge Robert Westbrook	Criminal
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Department 12	TBD - Vacant	Criminal-Arraignments
Department 13	Judge Valli Israels	Family Law
Department 14	Judge Jack Jacobson	Family Law
Department 15	Commissioner Ken Hara	Family Law-DCSS
Department 17	Judge Ruben Villalobos	Juvenile Delinquency
Department 18	Judge Ann Ameral	Juvenile Dependency
Department 19	Commissioner Jared Beeson	Civil/SC
Department 20	Commissioner Lynne Meredith	Traffic
Department 21	Judge William Mayhew	Civil
Department 22	Judge Timothy Salter	Civil
Department 23	Judge John Freeland	Civil
Department 24	Judge Roger Beauchesne	Civil
Department 25	Judge Loretta Begen	Family Law
Department 26	Assigned-Judge Barbara Zuniga	Criminal

For inquiries please contact Ronna Uliana at 530-3111 or Ronna.uliana@stanct.org.

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A big thank you to the Honorable Alan Cassidy for administering the bar oath and swearing in our new board at the Holiday Luncheon on December 9th, 2016.



RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MEDIATION CONFIDENTIALITY AND ATTORNEY MALPRACTICE

By Tom Hallinan

Well, timing is everything in life. I was recently appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to the California Law Revision Commission. The Commission usually reviews mundane subjects like statutory clarification of Common Interest Development Law, technical corrections to the Code of Civil Procedure, and Decennial Reviews of Exemptions from Enforcement of Money Judgements. However, my appointment came at a time when the Commission is undertaking its most contentious study in years – reviewing the relationship between mediation confidentiality and attorney malpractice. 2012 Cal. Stat. res. Ch. 108 (ACR 98 (Wagner & Gorell)). In short, the study concerns whether attorneys should continue to be exempt from liability for malpractice claims arising out of mediation proceedings.

The most recent California Supreme Court decision on mediation confidentiality is *Cassel v. Superior Court*, 51 Cal. 4th 113, 244 P.3d 1080, 119 Cal. Rptr. 3d 437 (2011). This decision, and the Legislature's response to it prompted the Commission's current study.

In *Cassel*, A man agreed in mediation to settle a lawsuit to which he was a party. He later sued his attorney for malpractice claiming breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, and breach of contract. He claimed that at the mediation, his attorneys "by bad advice, deception, and coercion ... induced him to settle for a lower amount than he had told them he would accept, and for less than what the case was worth." 51 Cal. 4th at 118.

The defendant's attorney moved under the statute governing mediation confidentiality, to exclude all evidence of private attorney-client discussions immediately preceding, and during, the mediation concerning mediation settlement strategies and defendants' efforts to persuade [their client] to reach a settlement in the mediation. The trial court granted the motion and an appeal was taken.

In a split decision, the court of appeal reversed, ruling that mediation confidentiality did not apply. The majority reasoned that the mediation confidentiality statutes are "not intended to prevent a client from proving, through private communications outside the presence of all other mediation participants, a case of legal malpractice against the client's own lawyer." Id. at 122.

The defendant's attorney petitioned for review in the California Supreme Court, maintaining that "under the plain language of the mediation confidentiality statutes, their mediation-related discussions with their client were admissible in his malpractice actions against them, even if those discussions occurred in private away from other mediation participants." Id. at 123. The Court granted review and held that the mediation confidentiality statutes must be strictly construed and are not subject to a judicially crafted exception where a client sues for legal malpractice and seeks disclosure of private attorney-client discussions relating to mediation. Id. at 123–33

The Court therefore reversed the decision of the court of appeal, but noted that "the Legislature is free to reconsider whether the mediation confidentiality statutes should preclude the use of mediation – related attorney – client discussions to support a client's civil claims of malpractice against his or her attorneys." Id. at 137.

Justice Chin concurred in the result, "but reluctantly." Id. at 138 (Chin J., concurring). He warned that the court's holding would:

Affectively shield an attorney's actions during mediation, including advising the client, from a malpractice action even if those actions are incompetent or deceptive. Attorneys participating in mediation will not be held accountable for any incompetent or fraudulent actions during the mediation unless the actions are so extreme as to engender a *criminal* prosecution against the attorney. *This is a high price to pay in order to preserve total confidentiality in the mediation process.*

Reaction to the *Cassel* decision was vigorous and copious. Eventually, Assembly Bill 2025 was introduced in the Legislature. The Assembly Judiciary Committee analysis quoting the author stated:

The purpose of AB 2025 is to specify that communications between a client and his or her attorney during mediation are admissible in an action for legal malpractice or breach of fiduciary duty, or both, and in a State Bar disciplinary action, if the attorney's professional negligence or misconduct forms the basis of the client's allegations against the attorney. The bill responds to the California Supreme Court's decision in *Cassel v. Superior Court* (2011) 51 Cal. 4th 113, which held that the plain language of Evidence Code Section 1120 compelled it to find that attorney-client confidentiality in a mediation is absolute, but strongly suggests that the Legislature change the statute.

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The bill received significant opposition and was eventually amended to direct the Commission to conduct this study. (See AB 2025 (Gorell), as amended on May 10, 2012.)

As the study proceeds, the Commission will be considering the following factors in making its recommendation to the Governor and the Legislature.

Factors Favoring Disclosure of Mediation Communication to Establish Attorney Malpractice

With respect to mediation communications bearing on legal malpractice or other attorney misconduct, the policy analysis against mediation confidentiality has several components:

- Mediation confidentiality may deprive a party of evidence that would help prove that an attorney committed malpractice or engaged in other misconduct.
- Because mediation confidentiality may result in exclusion of relevant evidence, legal malpractice or other attorney misconduct may go unpunished.
- Allowing legal malpractice and other attorney misconduct to go unpunished may undermine attorney-client relations and the administration of justice.
- Allowing legal malpractice and other attorney misconduct to go unpunished may chill future use of mediation and deprive the state of its benefits.

Factors Favoring Mediation Confidentiality

The main policy argument for mediation confidentiality rests on four key premises:

- (1) Confidentiality promotes candor in mediation.
- (2) Candid discussions lead to successful mediation.
- (3) Successful mediation encourages the future use of mediation to resolve disputes.
- (4) The use of mediation to resolve disputes is beneficial to society.

(California Law Revision Commission Memorandum 2013-39, Study K-402, July 23, 2013.)

We have received a tremendous amount of compelling testimony from advocates on both sides of this issue - as well as a lot of hyperbole, ranging from "the basis for the study is just a 'tempest in a teapot' to the opponents of expanding attorney liability being compared to 'Chicken Littles' crying that the sky is falling." I encourage you, as members of our local bar, to participate in this process and provide a Central Valley perspective concerning this important study. Your input can be forwarded to California Law Revision Commission, Attn: Barbara S. Gaal, Staff Counsel, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303-4739; or bgaal@clrc.ca.gov.

Tom Hallinan, serves as a member of the California Law Revision Commission; California Gambling Commission's Gaming Policy Advisory Committee; City Attorney for Ceres, Oakdale, Patterson, and Riverbank; and was recently appointed Hearing Officer for the Port of Oakland.

SAVE THE DATE

33rd Annual Stanislaus County Mock Trials

Wednesday, February 1, 2017
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5:00 PM - 8:00 PM for all Trials
Stanislaus County Courthouse - 800 11th Street, Modesto

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2017 BENCH-BAR DINNER

"An Evening with Stanislaus
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October 27, 2016
The Seasons in Modesto

SCBA'S
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The S.O.S. Club in Modesto
November 4, 2016

Stanislaus County Presiding Judge
The Honorable Marie Silveira
Announced 2017 Court Assignments





The Bar Association would like to wish
Rebecca Fleming,
 former C.E.O. of Stanislaus Superior
 Court, a fond farewell and the best of luck
 in her new position as C.E.O. of Santa
 Clara Superior Court.

Her 18 years of dedicated service to the
 courthouse was apparent and we enjoyed
 working with her in regards to the legal
 community here and our bar members.



She Will Be Sorely Missed!

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THE STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION PROUDLY PRESENTS

COMPETENCE ISSUES General Wellness & Stress Management

GUEST SPEAKER: David Mann, Peer Counselor
for The Other Bar



Friday, January 13, 2017
Noon-1:00 PM, Superior Court
Jury Assembly Room
800 11th St, Modesto 95354



"FREE"

MCLE PROGRAM TO ALL 2017 PAID SCBA MEMBERS!

The Stanislaus County Bar Association certifies that this activity has been approved for MCLE credit by the State Bar of California for:

1 hour COMPETENCE ISSUES credit

(Formerly Substance Abuse)

The Stanislaus County Bar Association is a State of California MCLE approved provider.

FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE CALL THE SCBA AT 571-5729

COST:

SCBA & Bench Members.....\$ 0* or \$40

MEMBER LUNCH ONLY \$8.50!

Non-Members.....\$65

No lunch.....\$60

*FREE class ONLY with 2017 Paid Dues!

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COMPETENCE ISSUES: General Wellness & Stress Management

FRIDAY, JAN. 13, 2017 **"FREE" MCLE PROGRAM TO ALL 2017 PAID SCBA MEMBERS!** ** \$8.50 Lunch Only! **

Name: _____ Firm: _____ ☐ NO LUNCH

Lunch choices:

SANDWICH

- ☐ Turkey
☐ Roast Beef
☐ Veggie

CHIPS

- ☐ Potato Chips
☐ Doritos
☐ Baked Lays

DRINK

- ☐ Diet Coke ☐ Coke
☐ Diet 7-Up ☐ 7-Up
☐ Bottle Water

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

PAID 2017 BAR MEMBER ☐

No refunds after January 6, 2017

THE STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION PROUDLY PRESENTS

ABC's of CONTEMPT



GUEST SPEAKER:
Honorable Robert Westbrook
of Stanislaus County



Friday, February 3, 2017, 12-1 PM
Courthouse, Jury Assembly Room
800 11th Street, Modesto

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(\$5 Less without lunch)

* 2017 DUES PAID = Member Rate

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ABC's of CONTEMPT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2017

Name: _____ Firm: _____ ☐ NO LUNCH

Lunch choices:

SANDWICH

- ☐ Turkey
☐ Roast Beef
☐ Veggie

CHIPS

- ☐ Potato Chips
☐ Doritos
☐ Baked Lays

DRINK

- ☐ Diet Coke ☐ Coke
☐ Diet 7-Up ☐ 7-Up
☐ Bottle Water

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SCBA'S HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Entertainment by the Fun Strummers
Charity donations for The Other Bar
2017 SCBA Vote & Installation



The S.O.S. Club in Modesto
December 9, 2016



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