

2017 CITY ATTORNEYS' SPRING CONFERENCE

Wednesday, May 3 – Friday, May 5

Westin St. Francis on Union Square, San Francisco

2016-2017 CITY ATTORNEYS' DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

President: Gregory W. Stepanicich, City Attorney, Fairfield and Mill Valley and Town Attorney, Ross

1st Vice President: Christine Dietrick, City Attorney, San Luis Obispo

2nd Vice President: Damien Brower, City Attorney, Brentwood

Director: Michele Beal Bagneris, City Attorney, Pasadena

Wednesday—May 3

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION OPEN

Italian Room, Mezzanine Floor

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Gregory W. Stepanicich, City Attorney, Fairfield and Mill Valley and Town Attorney, Ross

Welcoming Remarks

Speaker: Dennis J. Herrera, City Attorney, City and County of San Francisco

Land Use and CEQA Litigation Update

Speaker: Whitman F. Manley, Remy Moose Manley

Administrative Records: The Foundation of Land Use and CEQA Challenges

Speakers: Ginetta L. Giovinco, Richards, Watson & Gershon
David M. Snow, City Attorney, Yucaipa, Assistant City Attorney, Beverly Hills

CEQA and the People's Voice: Developer Ballot Measures

Speakers: Celia A. Brewer, City Attorney, Carlsbad
Catherine C. Engberg, Deputy City Attorney, Orinda and Saratoga

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3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Michele Beal Bagneris, City Attorney, Pasadena

FPPC Update

Speaker: Rachel H. Richman, City Attorney, Rosemead, Assistant City Attorney, Alhambra and Santa Clarita

Section 1090 Overview and Recent Developments

Speakers: Jack C. Woodside, Senior Commission Counsel, Fair Political Practices Commission
Sukhi K. Brar, Senior Commission Counsel, Fair Political Practices Commission

Recent Developments, Defenses and Strategies in Brown Act Litigation

Speakers: Thomas B. Brown, City Attorney, St. Helena
Stephen A. McEwen, City Attorney, Buellton, Assistant City Attorney, Atascadero and Hemet, Deputy City Attorney, Placentia

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

New Lawyers Meet and Greet/Orientation (*fewer than 5 years of practice*) How to Get Involved with the City Attorneys' Department

Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Facilitator: Lauren B. Langer, Assistant City Attorney, Lomita and Hermosa Beach

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Evening Reception: A Taste of San Francisco

Italian Room/Colonial Room, Mezzanine Floor

Thursday—May 4

8:00 a.m. – Noon

REGISTRATION OPEN

Italian Room, Mezzanine Floor

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

BREAKFAST

Italian Room/Colonial Room, Mezzanine Floor

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Christine Dietrick, City Attorney, San Luis Obispo

Tips for Drafting Contracts

Speaker: Daniel S. Hentschke, Attorney at Law

Take It or Leave It: Pitfalls and Challenges of IT Contracts

Speakers: Margarita Gutierrez, Deputy City Attorney, City and County of San Francisco
Rosa M. Sanchez, Deputy City Attorney, City and County of San Francisco

Front End First Aid: Critical Care for Public Works Documents

Speakers: Clare M. Gibson, Assistant City Attorney, Hercules
Michael F. Rodriguez, City Attorney, Gonzales and Soledad

10:45 a.m. – Noon

GENERAL SESSION

Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Damien Brower, City Attorney, Brentwood

General Municipal Litigation Update

Speaker: Javan N. Rad, Chief Assistant City Attorney, Pasadena

Public Law Specialty Certification Committee Report

Speaker: Craig Labadie, Committee Chair, City Attorney, Albany

12:15 – 2:00 p.m.

BUSINESS LUNCHEON

California East/West, 2nd Floor

Department Business Meeting and Colleague Recognition

- *President's Report – Gregory W. Stepanich*
- *Department Bylaws Amendment – Gregory W. Stepanich*
- *Director's Report – Michele Beal Bagneris*
- *Colleague Recognition – Department Officers*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Speaker: Ann M. Ravel, Former Commissioner, Federal Elections Commission,
Former Chair, Fair Political Practices Commission, Former Santa Clara County Counsel

Thursday—May 4

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2:15 – 4:30 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION: Sharing Economy Issues

Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Damien Brower, City Attorney, Brentwood

Sharing Economy Overview

Speaker: Rebecca L. Moon, Senior Assistant City Attorney, Sunnyvale

Sharing Economy – A View from Sacramento

Speaker: Rony Berdugo, Legislative Representative, Transportation, Communication, and Public Works, League of California Cities®

Shared Rides – City and California Public Utilities Commission Perspectives

Speakers: Michael N. Conneran, Hanson Bridgett

Liane M. Randolph, Commissioner, California Public Utilities Commission

Audience Sharing of Experiences and Questions

Residential Rental Regulation Issues

Speakers: Andrea S. Visveshwara, Assistant City Attorney, Emeryville

Kevin R. Heneghan, Senior Counsel, Policy, Airbnb

Audience Sharing of Experiences and Questions

4:45 – 5:45 p.m.

CONCURRENT GROUP DISCUSSIONS

- **Coastal Cities (Discussion of short term vacation rentals and the Coastal Act)**

Kent Room, 2nd Floor

Facilitator: Christi Hogin, City Attorney, Lomita, Malibu & Palos Verdes Estates

- **Housing and Homelessness Issues**

Georgian Room, Mezzanine Floor

Facilitator: Barbara E. Kautz, Goldfarb & Lipman

- **Mobilehome Parks**

Oxford Room, 2nd Floor

Facilitator: Sunny K. Soltani, City Attorney, Carson

- **Public Law Specialty Certification**

Olympic Room, 2nd Floor

Facilitator: Craig Labadie, Committee Chair, City Attorney, Albany

- **Solo and Small City Attorney Office Management**

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Facilitator: Kathleen A. Kane, City Attorney, Burlingame

7:00 p.m.

NO FORM 700 DINNER

Friday—May 5

7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

POWER WALK and HISTORIC CITY TOUR - *Sponsored by Richards, Watson & Gershon*
Georgian Room, Mezzanine Floor

7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

BREAKFAST
Italian Room, Mezzanine Floor

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION
Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Christine Dietrick, City Attorney, San Luis Obispo

Municipal Tort and Civil Rights Litigation Update

Speaker: Walter C. Chung, Lead Deputy City Attorney, San Diego

Proposition 64 Discussion / Cannabis Distribution and Delivery

Speakers: Tim Cromartie, Legislative Representative, Public Safety, and Revenue and Taxation,
League of California Cities®
Jeffrey V. Dunn, Best Best & Krieger

10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION
Grand Ballroom, Mezzanine Floor

Moderator: Gregory W. Stepanicich, City Attorney, Fairfield and Mill Valley and
Town Attorney, Ross

Labor and Employment Litigation Update

Speaker: Stacey N. Sheston, Best Best & Krieger

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Implicit Bias Gone Explicit – Managing the Public Workplace in a Changing Environment

Speaker: Suzanne Solomon, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore

Closing Remarks / Evaluations / Adjourn



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