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MAY DINNER MEETING

Date:

May 21, 2009

Time:

5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Meet & Greet

6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting & Speaker

Place:

Casa Garden Restaurant

2760 Sutterville Road, Sacramento

Tel: (916) 452-2809

Speaker:

John "Jack" Diepenbrock and David Diepenbrock

Diepenbrock Harrison

Topic:

What is Eminent Domain?

An Introduction to Key Eminent Domain Concepts

Cost:

\$25* - SLSA Members \$29* - Non-Members

Vendor of the Month: Crucial Times Courier Inc.

* Please add \$3 for reservations received after May 15, 2009.

*** Cancellations must be made 48 hours in advance for refunds. No shows will be billed. ***

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(See Page 31 of this bulletin for Reservation Form and menu selections.)

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EDITOR'S NOTE by Cassandra Baines

The Legal Eagle welcomes letters and article suggestions from readers. Please send them to: Cassandra Baines, 621 Capitol Mall, 18th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 or cbaines@downeybrand.com.

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"WE ARE WHAT WE REPEATEDLY DO.
EXCELLENCE, THEN, IS NOT AN ACT, BUT A HABIT."

~ ARISTOTLE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Jennifer Rotz

As a member of SLSA for nearly 7 years, I consider it a genuine honor to serve as your President this year. I thank each of you for continuing to support this association, and I commend you your membership in SLSA indicates a real commitment on your part to the development of your career.

I want to talk a little about our upcoming activities and goals. This first month of the fiscal year is a busy one. We begin the month with a workshop on Parliamentary Procedure led by Registered Parliamentarian Lorenzo Cuesta. This event is open and free to all SLSA members and will be held at Murphy Austin Adams Schoenfeld on Sunday, May 3. Next, Elicia Allen, CCLS will lead Team SLSA in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Cal Expo on Saturday, May 9. Our May Lunch Lesson will take place at McDonough Holland & Allen on Tuesday, May 12, and will feature attorney Rebecca Gardner as she covers: "The Write Stuff: Style and Grammar for the Legal Professional." The May Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13. As with all board meetings this year and every year, all members are invited and encouraged to attend. LSI's 2009 Annual Conference takes place in Long Beach on May 14-17, and it is not too late to register. Finally, our dinner meeting this month takes place at the Casa Garden Restaurant on May 21, and will feature John V. "Jack" Diepenbrock and David A. Diepenbrock of Diepenbrock Harrison who will cover the topic: "What is Eminent Domain? An Introduction to Key Eminent Domain Concepts." I hope you will join us.

Details for all of these events can be found on the Events page of our website at www.slsa.org. This page is updated regularly so please be sure to visit often.

My number one goal as your President is to rely on my experience as an active member to carry out this association's mission of continuing education and creating networking opportunities for you. To do so, your board members and I have assembled a great team of hard-working volunteers who will operate under the theme "Achieving Excellence Through Teamwork!" A team can achieve so much more than an individual can. As a team, we can achieve every single goal that we set. As a team we can:

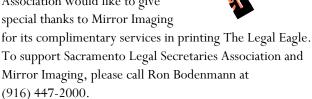
Ensure that SLSA is a great resource for members as to legal procedure, technology, and as a one-stop shop for MCLE and CCLS credit requirements;



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$SPEAKER\ SPOTLIGHT\ \ by\ Rhonda\ Harrigan$

In April, we were honored to have Judge Loren E. McMaster as our speaker. Judge McMaster has been a Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, since 1999, and was in Private Practice from 1980 to 1999. He was awarded Judge of the Year 2006, by the Capitol City Trial Lawyers Assn. and Judge of the Year 2008 by the Sacramento County Bar Association.

Judge McMaster spoke on the Nuts and Bolts of Law and Motion. He first reminded us when calendaring the notice period for motions that most motions must be filed and served at least 16 *court* days before the hearing on the motion. If the motion is served by mail, an additional 5 *calendar* days must be added. It is especially important to be vigilant around holidays in counting the days before hearing. And if that 16th day falls on a weekend, do not move forward to the Monday, you must fall back to the Friday since the code calls for *at least* 16 court days before the hearing. He mentioned that this is one of the most common errors made in filing motion hearings.

The second item he wanted to bring to our attention was proper form for declarations.

Code of Civil Procedure § 2015.5 provides for two different forms of jurat to a declaration made under penalty of perjury. Subdivision (a) states that one proper form is to follow the "declaration under penalty of perjury" language with a statement reflecting where and when the declaration was executed, followed by a signature. Subdivision (b) does away with the place of execution language and modifies the "declaration" language by stating that the declaration is made under penalty of perjury "under the laws of the State of California." Counsel should only use the subdivision (b) form. If counsel's form file contains any declaration using the section (a) format, the forms should be destroyed or modified using the subsection (b) language.

It is always a pleasure to have Judge Loren McMaster speak to our association. We all benefit from the invaluable information he provides to us. SLSA appreciates Judge McMaster taking the time out of his extremely busy schedule to speak to us.

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VENDOR SPOTLIGHT by Sandra Andrade

Our Vendor of the Month for April was Mirror Imaging. Ron Bodenmann and Johnny Bateman spoke on behalf of Mirror Imaging.

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We would like to thank Ron and Mirror Imaging for being our Vendor of April. For your duplication needs, Ron can be contacted at (916) 447-2000 or visit their web site at www.mirrorimaginginc.com.

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President's Message Continued

• Promote interest in this association, recruit new members and reclaim our rightful place as the largest LSI chapter in the state;

• Continue to advance technologically by improving our website and methods of communication with members and the legal community;

Continue to hold lunch lessons, volunteer at Fairytale Town, and possibly hold a Reno Bus Trip and Crab Feed!

And now, I'd like to introduce you to your 2009-2010 team. As my first order of business at the April general membership meeting, I made the following two appointments: Rhonda Harrigan was appointed as Parliamentarian and Cyrene Farrell, CCLS, was appointed as Executive Advisor. Our committee chairs this year are:

Audit: Patti Alexander, Melynda Ange, CCLS, and Elizabeth Bomke, CCLS

Benefits: Cassandra Baines

Budget: Jennifer Rotz, Elicia Allen, CCLS, and Debbie Frias, CCLS

Bulletin: Cassandra Baines

CCLS: Astrid Watterson, CCLS, Dawn Forgeur, CCLS, and Elizabeth Bomke, CCLS

Charitable Projects: Elicia Allen, CCLS, and Gloriela Garcia

Day in Court: Rhonda Harrigan and Terry Olson-Skeahan

Employment: Cyrene Farrell, CCLS

Historian: Elicia Allen, CCLS

Legal Secretarial Training: Astrid Watterson, CCLS, and Dawn Forgeur, CCLS

Marketing: Terry Olson-Skeahan Membership: Terry Olson-Skeahan

Nominations and Elections: Gloriela Garcia, Sandra Andrade, and Jennifer Shelton

Professional Liaison: Executive Board Members

Programs: Rhonda HarriganReception: Jennifer SheltonReservations: Jan Ainsworth

Scholarship: Meghan Linehan and Alissa Mackrill

Vendor Liaison: Alissa Mackrill

Webmaster: Jennifer Rotz

Boss of the Year/Legal Professional of the Year: Patti Alexander, Elizabeth Bomke,

CCLS, and Desiree Delonia

Fairytale Town: Alicia Malerbi

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"AND NOW, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO YOUR 2009-2010 TEAM."

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MEMBER NEWS by Jennifer Rotz

Cecilia Velez has accepted a position as a Legal Analyst with the Office of the General Counsel, California State Teachers' Retirement System, where she performs a variety of tasks dealing with administrative law. Congratulations, Cecilia, on your exciting new position! We wish you much continued success.

The following SLSA members took and passed the California Certified Legal Secretary Exam in March 2009:

Pamela Anne Lee, CCLS

Karen Gould, CCLS

Micky Kelly, CCLS

Desiree Delonia, CCLS

Pamela Loftis, CCLS

The new CCLSs will be honored at SLSA's May dinner meeting. Please join us in celebrating their great achievement. Many congratulations to you Pamela, Karen, Micky, Desiree, and Pam and best wishes for your continued success!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS



To: Members of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association

This is a friendly reminder that we have entered the fiscal year May 2009 through April 2010. Our annual membership dues were due on May 1, 2009. A \$5 late fee will be charged after June 1, 2009. Your bulletin subscription and membership benefits will not be interrupted until June 1. If you plan on renewing your membership, and we hope you do, please fill out a membership renewal form, which can be found in this bulletin and on our website at www.slsa.org, and mail it to our 2009-2010 Treasurer, Debbie Frias, CCLS.

Debbie Frias, CCLS c/o The Crow Law Firm 700 E Street Sacramento CA 95814

e-mail: dfrias@crowlaw.com

SLSA thanks you for your continued support!

May 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Parli. Procedure Wkshop	4	5	6	7	8	9 Race for the Cure
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DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 3 Parliamentary Procedure Workshop (Location: Murphy Austin Adams Schoenfeld LLP - Time: 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.)
- May 9 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure
- May 12 SLSA May Lunch Lesson (Location: Downey Brand LLP - Time: 12 p.m. Speaker: Rebecca Gardner. Topic: "The Write Stuff: Style and Grammar for the Legal Professional. See flyer on Page 25 for details.)
- May 13 SLSA May Board
 Meeting (Location: Murphy Austin
 Adams Schoenfeld LLP Time:
 5:45 p.m.)
- May 14-17 LSI's 75th Annual Conference (Location: Long Beach Hilton, Long Beach, CA)
- May 21 SLSA May Dinner Meeting (Location: Casa Garden Restaurant - Time: 6:15 p.m.)
- May 25 Last Day to Submit Articles for the June issue of The Legal Eagle

Code of Ethics

Legal Secretaries, Incorporated

It shall be the duty of each Member of the Legal Secretaries, Incorporated to observe all laws, rules, and regulations now and hereafter in effect relating to confidentiality and privileged communication, acting with loyalty, integrity, competence, and diplomacy, in accordance with the highest standards of professional conduct.

Dedicated to Joan Moore, PLS

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HAPPY "MAY" BIRTHDAY!



- Alissa Mackrill May 12
- Karen Mangels May 13
- Melissa Patton May 16
- Annamaria Dugan May 17
- Sharon Buckenmeyer May 17
- Tereta McClory May 17
- Laura Peron May 23
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PICTURES



Judge Loren E. McMaster and SLSA President Jennifer Rotz



Ron Bodenmann and Johnny Bateman of Mirror Imaging Document Solutions Inc.





SLSA Parliamentarian Rhonda Harrigan and SLSA Vice President Terry Olson-Skeahan





SLSA Vice President Terry Olson-Skeahan, SLSA Vendor Liaison Alissa Mackrill, and friends



Rachel Cousineau, Gloriela Garcia, SLSA Secretary Meghan Linehan, and friends



SLSA Past President Cyrene Farrell, CCLS and her history book

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STARS OF THE MONTH (SPECIAL EDITION)



Jennifer Rotz is the 2009-2010 President of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association and serves as the association's webmaster. She has been a member since 2004 and has served on the Executive Board since 2005. Jennifer began her legal career at a Sacramento insurance defense firm in 1998, after graduating from Heald College with a degree in legal office administration. After leaving the work force for nearly two years to be a stay-at-home mom, Jennifer returned to the legal field as an assistant specializing in business litigation and estate planning. During this time, she attended MTI College and earned a degree in paralegal studies. She currently works as a paralegal with the Healthcare Practice Team at Murphy Austin Adams Schoenfeld. Jennifer lives in Roseville with her husband Jon, daughter Katelyn, their two cats Pita and Spike, and their two guinea pigs Scooter and Theodore. She joined SLSA to network with other legal professionals and take

advantage of the association's educational offerings. Volunteering her time with SLSA has been beneficial and rewarding in many ways, both personal and professional, and she truly enjoys it.



Terry Olson-Skeahan is the 2009-2010 Vice President of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association and also serves as a Day In Court Co-Chair. She began her legal career in 1984 as a legal receptionist. She is now lead secretary/assistant at Bartkiewicz, Kronick & Shanahan and has been since April 2000. The firm represents local agencies and private clients on matters concerning water resource, land use, governmental and related issues. Terry started attending SLSA meetings in 1986 and was a member on and off from 1987-1998. She has been an ongoing-member since 2000. In 2005, Terry began to volunteer for SLSA; she was the Historian, and has served as the Advertising Chair since 2005. In 2008-2009, Terry was the Treasurer, Day In Court Co-Chair, Budget Co-Chair and continued on as the Advertising Chair. She volunteers in the association when the opportunity arises, as she believes in giving back to the legal community. She tries to

keep herself apprised of new laws and skills within the legal field by attending SLSA meetings and LSI conferences. Terry enjoys cooking, gardening, walking, vacationing at Irish Beach, California, and watching her daughters (Marisa, 16, Amber, 11) play softball. She also enjoys spending time with her son Carson, age 7, who is a special needs child and brings her constant joy and love with his handsome smile and giggles. She also plays softball on a co-ed team in Rancho Murieta. Terry was born and raised in Sacramento and has lived in Rancho Murieta since 1996.



Meghan Linehan is the 2009-2010 Secretary of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association. She has been a member of the Association since 2008 and this is her first year serving on the Executive Board. Meghan graduated from the University of California, Davis, in 2003 with a bachelors of arts in Political Science. Upon graduation, Meghan began her career in the legal field as an office assistant at Legacy Law Group, a full service trusts and estate planning firm in Sacramento. In 2005, Meghan enrolled at MTI College and began working as a paralegal intern at Legacy Law Group specializing in business organization and succession planning. After graduating from MTI College in 2006 with a degree in paralegal studies, Meghan continued on as a paralegal at Legacy Law Group adding estate planning to her specializations. She currently works as the senior paralegal at Legacy Law Group practicing in the areas of estate planning, trust administration and

business succession planning. Meghan lives in Sacramento with her fiancé, Donald, and their two dogs Kaia and Chloe, and is busy planning a September wedding. She is excited to be a new member of the Executive Board and looks forward to becoming an involved member of the Association.

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STARS OF THE MONTH (SPECIAL EDITION) CONTINUED



Debbie Frias, CCLS, is the 2009-2010 Treasurer for Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association and also serves as a member of the LSI CCLS Certifying Board. She served as LSI Treasurer from May 2004 to May 2005. Debbie has been a member in good standing since 1993 and has served in some capacity on the Board or as a Chairman since 1994. She received her legal secretarial certificate from Heald College in December 1972. Debbie began her legal career for a general practice firm in 1973 and has worked for The Crow Law Firm, specifically for Joe Weninger and his son Jeffery Weninger, since April 1977. Debbie lives in North Highlands with her husband, Bill, and their youngest daughter, Michelle, along with resident pooches, Noah and Lucy. Debbie's oldest daughter, Jennifer, also the mother of her three grandchildren, Richie, Vanessa, and Markie, lives in the Curtis Park area of Sacramento with her significant other, Dave. Deb joined SLSA to

network with other legal professionals and to take advantage of the association's educational offerings. She became a CCLS in October 2001.



Elicia Allen, CCLS, is the 2009-2010 Governor of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association. Elicia is a paralegal at the Law Offices of Todd A. Murray. She is a 2002 graduate of MTI College with an A.A. in Paralegal Studies and she became a California Certified Legal Secretary in March 2008. Elicia is the immediate past-president of SLSA. In addition to being a past-president, she has been on the SLSA Executive Board as Secretary and Vice-President. She has also held may chair positions. In addition to volunteering with SLSA, she devotes a large amount of time to volunteering at the Sacramento County Animal Care & Regulation. She resides with the two loves of her life, her fiancé Chris and her chow chow Sonny. She enjoys the personal and professional growth that SLSA has given her and hopes to continue giving her time to SLSA.

Rhonda Harrigan is the 2009-2010 Parliamentarian of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association and serves as the Programs Chair and Co-Chair of Day in Court and Federal Day in Court. She has been a member and has served as Programs Chair since 2005. After a long career in the automotive industry, Rhonda began a second career in the legal field in 2002, working in the areas of personal injury, insurance defense, construction defect and now works in appellate and family law at Jay-Allen Eisen Law Corporation. Rhonda lives in Carmichael with her husband Dennis and their two Canine-American children, Connor (a Silk Terrier) and Sonic (a Shih-Tzu). Away from the office Rhonda enjoys riding her motorcycle on long trips with her husband, playing volleyball, golf and attending local theater. She appreciates the educational and networking benefits that she receives from volunteering her time with SLSA.



Cyrene Farrell, CCLS, is the 2009-2010 Executive Advisor for the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association, and is also the Employment Chair. Cyrene has been a member of SLSA since 1999 and has served on the Executive Board since 2001. She has held many chairs over the years. Cyrene also served two years (2006-2008) as the Editor of LSI's The Legal Secretary. She graduated from MTI College in 1993 as a Legal Specialist and worked in Family Law for six years before joining Mennemeier, Glassman & Stroud LLP in 1999. Today, Cyrene serves as a Paralegal to Eric Glassman, who specializes in Broker/Dealer Arbitration and Litigation. She is also the Billing Coordinator and Docketing Clerk for the firm. Cyrene is married to Kevin and they have three beautiful children - Corrin (14), Glenn (5), and Dylan (2). Cyrene joined SLSA at the suggestion of her employer - to grow professionally. Today, she continues to serve SLSA because doing

so strengthens her own skills, friendships, and talents, and it brings her joy to be an active part of the Sacramento legal community.

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EMPLOYMENT REPORT/POSITIONS AVAILABLE

This free benefit provides the legal community with a place to post job openings for all categories of job positions. SLSA assists in every possible manner to procure employment for members of this association, and cooperates with attorneys in filling positions in law offices, but in no event does this committee act as an employment agency.

Attorneys will need to give the following information to the Employment Chair: name, firm name, address, phone number(s), areas of law practice, software used, position available, years of experience required. The attorney/employer is requested to email the Employment Chair and Webmaster with the advertisement formatted like those currently posted on the "Employment Opportunities" page. Ads are usually posted within 24 hours.

It is the responsibility of the applicants to contact the employers, schedule interviews, exchange résumés, and to discuss benefits and salary, etc. All information is listed until notification to drop the name/position is given to the Employment Chair and/or Webmaster.

Please contact Employment Chair Cyrene Farrell, CCLS, at (916) 551-2595, or e-mail her at cfarrell@mgslaw.com. A detailed message can be left, and your call will be returned within 24 hours. If you wish your listing to be placed on our web page, please indicate your authorization to do so.

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Legal Assistant. Folsom law firm, emphasizing in civil litigation and construction defect, seeks an experienced full-time Legal Assistant to join our great team. Must have good grammar, spelling, and computer proficiency. Duties of the position include: calendaring state and federal deadlines; court filing (electronic and standard); communicating with clients, counsel, and case-related contacts; assisting attorneys with document preparation, transcription, proofreading, and formatting in compliance with court requirements; high volume case document management and filing; and general office responsibilities. Qualifications include: experience in a law firm and general knowledge regarding legal documents; litigation support skills, including preparation of pleadings and discovery, calendaring, and familiarity with local and California Rules of Court; experience with Microsoft Word and Excel, Adobe, legal calendaring software, and basic office equipment (fax machine, scanner, copy machine, and postage machine); flexibility and willingness to work on a broad variety of assignments; ability to work independently as well as part of a dynamic team environment; excellent written and verbal communication skills, including the ability to proofread documents; organized approach to work assignments, ability to prioritize, and strong attention to detail; professional attitude and demeanor; and interest in being an important part of our firm and its success. Excellent pay and full benefits in a comfortable office are offered. If interested, please send an e-mail with the subject line "Legal Secretary" with your résumé and a brief cover letter, including your salary requirements attached to lawfirm921@yahoo.com.

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Livermore-Amador Valley Legal Professionals Association, Mt. Diablo Legal Professionals Association, and Stockton-San Joaquin County Legal Professionals Association

invite you to attend an interclub event, "Third Annual Day of Bocce," on

Saturday, July 11, 2009 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Pleasanton Senior Center 5353 Sunol Boulevard Pleasanton, CA 94566



Cost: \$8 per person if RSVP before 7/2/09 \$4 per child \$10 per person if RSVP on or after 7/2/09 \$5 per child

A barbecued lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., which includes an 8" hot dog or Polish sausage with bun, condiments, bag of chips, cookies, watermelon, and bottled water. If you are a vegetarian, please let us know.

The deadline to RSVP is Thursday, July 2, 2009. There is a limit on the number of people in the public park area. Please RSVP to one of the following coordinators as soon as possible to guarantee a space for you:

Joyce Woo, Livermore-Amador Valley LPA, (925) 462-1154 Natalie Chop, CCLS, Mt. Diablo LPA, (925) 817-3868 Linda Lazaro, Stockton-San Joaquin County LPA, (209) 598-8648

Please make your check payable to LAVLPA and mail it to:

Joyce Woo 606 Claret Court Pleasanton, CA 94566-6824

We hope you can join us for the "Third Annual Day of Bocce." Bocce balls and instructions on how to play the game will be provided. There will be a door prize. Please bring your family and friends to this great interclub event. See you there!

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For more information, contact Jennifer L. Page, Legal Specialization Sections Coordinator. Office: (415) 721-2040; Home: (415) 898-1010; Email: jlpage@ix.netcom.com

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Complete and mail with your <u>check made payable to LSI</u>, for \$20 for each section, or a total fee of \$75 per year to join all SIX sections simultaneously if an LSI Member, or \$40 for each section or a total fee of \$150 per year to join all sections simultaneously if joining as a non-LSI member.

Jennifer L. Page, Legal Specialization Coordinator, Mail to: 1641 Hill Road, Novato, California 94947 Enclosed is payment of my dues for the fiscal year 8/1/07 through 7/31/08 for the following Section(s). Please check appropriate boxes below for the sections you are joining. Method of Payment: Check, payable to "LSI," enclosed □VISA □ MASTERCARD □ Credit Card Information: Number _____ Expiration Date: Month ____ Year ___ Name on Credit Card: _____ Card Verification Number PER LSI STANDING RULES, CHECKS ISSUED TO LSI WHICH ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE BECAUSE OF INSUFFICIENT FUNDS OR OTHER REASON SHALL BE REPLACED IMMEDIATELY BY CASH, A CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR THE AMOUNT OF THE ORIGINAL CHECK, PLUS \$25 PENALTY, PLUS THE ACTUAL COST CHARGED LSI BY THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION FOR PROCESSING THE ORIGINAL **NEW** RENEWAL **Criminal Law** Family Law Law Office Administration Litigation Probate/Estate Planning **Transactional Law** (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE) NAME: MR./MRS./MS ADDRESS/CITY/STATE/ZIP_____ LOCAL ASSOCIATION: LSA/LPA RESIDENCE PHONE () BUSINESS PHONE: () FAX: E-MAIL ADDRESS: EMPLOYER: __ EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS: PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS:

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GOVERNOR'S REPORT by Elicia Allen, CCLS

Yet another year is upon us and I am very happy to slip into my position as SLSA's Governor for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. I am eagerly looking forward to LSI's Annual Conference in Long Beach on May 14-17, 2009. SLSA will be proudly competing in the following categories for awards: History Book submitted by Terry Olson-Skeahan and Cyrene Farrell, CCLS; Bulletin submitted by Cyrene Farrell, CCLS; Scholarship – Plan A submitted by SLSA and last, but certainly not least, Chapter Achievement Points submitted by Debbie Frias, CCLS. Debbie is tiredly working on collecting and adding up CAPS. Thank you to all those that took the time to submit CAPS reporting forms to Debbie. I would like to thank all of the persons mentioned above for their year of service and I wish them the best of luck.

"Unselfish and noble actions are the most radiant pages in the biography of souls." David Thomas

In addition to myself attending LSI's Annual Conference, Debbie will be attending as LSI's outgoing Governor and Elizabeth Bomke, CCLS, Dawn Forgeur, CCLS, and Paula Lockard, CCLS will be attending as Delegates. I think they would join me in saying THANK YOU for giving us the opportunity to represent SLSA. Please look for full reports in next month's issue of *The Legal Eagle*.

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CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT REPORTING FORM

Each Association in LSI participates every year in the Chapter Achievement Contest. Associations are grouped in categories depending upon the Association's membership (Group A: 5-30; B: 31-50; C: 51-75; D: 76-95; and E: over 95). Five awards of \$250 each are presented by Stuart F. Cooper Co. to the highest scoring Association in each of the above categories at the Annual Conference of LSI. Chapter Achievement points are tracked during the year by the Association's Governor. The Chapter Achievement Report covers activities from April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010. This form's purpose is to track each member's activity during the course of the fiscal year. Please complete the form each time you attend a function and mail it to the person named below. If you attend a function and are not sure if it applies, include it below on the blank line provided and it will be determined if it applies. If you are an SLSA officer or committee chair, PLEASE take particular note to the last item below. Thank you.

Month/Year	Function					
	I submitted a potential advertiser to the Editor of <i>The Legal Secretary</i> magazine. (25 points per advertiser)					
	I submitted an article to <i>The Legal Secretary</i> magazine. (50 points per article)					
	l attended an LSI Quarterly Conference and/or Annual Conference. (50 points)					
	I attended an Officer/Chairman Workshop at the LSI Annual Conference. How many? (25 points)					
	I attended the President's Roundtable at the LSI Annual Conference. (25 points)					
	I belong to an LSI-sponsored credit union. (100 points)					
	I am insured through an LSI plan. (100 points)					
	I rented a car through Hertz and received the LSI discount. (200 points per rental)					
	I enrolled in an LSI-approved retirement planning program. (100 points)					
	I sponsored a CCLS study group. (200 points)					
	I participated in a CCLS study group. (25 points)					
	l conducted a CCLS Mock exam. (150 points)					
	I took the CCLS exam. (Test date:) (100 points)					
	I passed the CCLS exam. (Test date:) (200 points)					
	I submitted guestions to the Continuing Education Council for use on the CCLS Mock exam. How many? (25 points)					
	I recertified as a CCLS during the 2009-2010 fiscal year. (50 points)					
	I gave a presentation on legal secretarial careers at a local educational institution. (50 points per presentation)					
	I attended another Association's monthly meeting, installation, or other function. (50 points per event)					
	I taught an educational workshop or seminar. (75 points per event)					
	l attended an educational workshop or seminar sponsored by SLSA or another local association. (25 points per event)					
	l attended an educational workshop or seminar sponsored by a Forum, CEB or The Rutter Group. (25 points per event)					
	I conducted a short session on legal procedures at an SLSA dinner meeting. (25 points per meeting)					
	I am a member of at least one Legal Specialization Section. (50 points)					
	I am a member of all six Legal Specialization Sections as of March 31, 2009. (100 points)					
	I attended a Legal Specialization Section Seminar at Quarterly or Annual Conference. How many? (50 points per					
	meeting)					
	I attended a Legal Specialization Section Regional Seminar. (75 points)					
	I submitted an article for use in a Legal Specialization Section newsletter. (50 points)					
	I submitted an article to LSI Director of Public Relations for publication in the Daily Journal. (50 points per article)					
	I gave a formal presentation on benefits of membership to a law office. (50 points per presentation)					
	I gave a formal presentation on benefits of membership to the local bar association. (100 points per presentation)					
	I purchased the LSI Legal Professional's Handbook between April 1, 2009 and March 31, 2010. (200 points)					
	I purchased updates to the LSI Legal Professional's Handbook between April 1, 2009 and March 31, 2010. (100 points)					
	I purchased the Law Office Procedures Manual between April 1, 2009 and March 31, 2010. (200 points)					
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	I am an SLSA officer or committee chair. I timely responded to my LSI counterpart's quarterly directive(s). Attachéd is (a					
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Please attach additional pages if necessary. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, you can reach Elicia Allen, CCLS at (916) 488-1795; or e-mail at eallen@tamurraylaw.com. Otherwise mail to:

Elicia Allen, CCLS SLSA Governor 2009-2010 Law Offices of Todd A. Murray 1050 Fulton Avenue, Suite 218 Sacramento, CA 95825



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Conference Registration Form

Home telephone:		
Please check if applicable and include title: State Officer State Chairman	Please check if you ar	
SCRIP TICKET (price includes registration,	reception, banquet and brun	ch)
POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, 2009	@ \$110.00	\$
POSTMARKED ON OR AFTER APRIL 16, 2009	@ \$120.00	\$
INDIVIDUAL TICKETS		
Registration by 4/15/09@	\$ 11	\$
Registration after 4/16/09@	\$ 21	\$
Governors' Lunch (Friday)@	\$ 35	\$
Newcomers' Lunch (Friday)@	\$ 35	\$
Welcome Reception (Friday)@	\$ 11	\$
CCLS Lunch (Saturday)@	\$ 35	\$
Banquet (Saturday)@	\$ 59	\$
Brunch (Sunday)@	\$ 35	\$
	TOTAL AMOUNT:	\$
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PLEASE NOTE: All LSI Conference Delegates and Alternate Delegates must register.

Make checks payable to LBLSA 2009 CONFERENCE FUND

Registration Chair: Alice M. Widmark, CCLS, 1016 W. Santa Cruz, San Pedro, CA 90731 - 310-547-0965 or e-mail: amwccls@sbcglobal.net

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- 1. Call directly to Long Beach Hilton at 562-983-3400, Group Code LEG
- 2. Make reservations online at http://www.longbeach.hilton.com Group Code LEG
- 3. Deadline for group rate is April 13, 2009
- 4. Cancellations must be received 24 hours prior to arrival or one night room and tax will be assessed.

Check-in Time: 3:00 p.m. - Check-out Time: Noon

Hotel does provide complimentary baggage storage. Super Shuttle - 1-800 BLUE-VAN (1-800-258-3826) or book online at http://www.supershuttle.com Primetime Shuttle - http://www.primetimeshuttle.com Free hotel parking



Questions:

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LEGAL SPECIALIZATION SECTION WORKSHOPS

Annual Conference - May 2009 - Long Beach Hilton Hotel, Long Beach CA - Host: Long Beach LSA

REGISTRATION FORM - DEADLINE IS MONDAY, May 11, 2009

Registration <u>MUST</u> be <u>RECEIVED</u> by each Section Leader on or before the deadine.

Please make advance reservations so materials may be prepared. <u>PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES BELOW.</u>

Mail or Fax a copy of this form to each corresponding Section Leader.

Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you wish confirmation of your reservation.

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO "LSI"

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1	In California a security interest in the real property is typically created by which of the following instruments:
	a. Grant Deed b. Trust Deed c. Mortgage
2	In a deed of trust, the borrower is the:
	a. Trustor b. Trustee c. Grantor
3	Which of the following is not a type of ownership of real property?
	a. Tenancy by set-aside b. Tenancy in common c. Tenancy by the entirety
4	Which type of deed indicates there are no encumbrances placed on the property?
	a. Quitclaim Deed b. Grant Deed c. Warranty Deed
5	A mechanic's lien can be used on private work.
	a. True b. False
6	A document that transfers title of property from one person to another is a deed of trust.
	a. True b. False
7	Which deed contains express covenants, such as quiet enjoyment?
	a. Quitclaim Deed b. Grant Deed c. Warranty Deed
8	A lender has days after the obligation has been satisfied to deliver to the trustee the original note, deed of trust, full reconveyance, and other necessary documents.
	a. 60 b. 30 c. 45
9	To protect equity in an individual's principal dwelling place, a can be recorded with the Country Recorder's office.
	a. Homestead Declaration b. Declaration of Trust c. Warranty Deed
10	_ The interest of a beneficiary under a deed of trust is superior to a homestead ion.
1	a. True b. False

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LEGAL PROCEDURES by Jennifer Rotz

What is e-discovery? The following e-discovery definition is provided on http://www.searchfinancialsecurity.com:

Electronic discovery (also called e-discovery or ediscovery) refers to any process in which electronic data is sought, located, secured, and searched with the intent of using it as evidence in a civil or criminal legal case. E-discovery can be carried out offline on a particular computer or it can be done in a network. Court-ordered or government sanctioned hacking for the purpose of obtaining critical evidence is also a type of e-discovery.

The nature of digital data makes it extremely well-suited to investigation. For one thing, digital data can be electronically searched with ease, whereas paper documents must be scrutinized manually. Furthermore, digital data is difficult or impossible to completely destroy, particularly if it gets into a network. This is because the data appears on multiple hard drives and because digital files, even if deleted, can be undeleted. In fact, the only reliable way to destroy a computer file is to physically destroy every hard drive where the file has been stored.

In the process of electronic discovery, data of all types can serve as evidence. This can include text, images, calendar files, databases, spreadsheets, audio files, animation, Web sites and computer programs. Even malware such as viruses, Trojans and spyware can be secured and investigated. Email can be an especially valuable source of evidence in civil or criminal litigation, because people are often less careful in these exchanges than in hard copy correspondence such as written memos and postal letters.

Computer forensics, also called cyberforensics, is a specialized form of e-discovery in which an investigation is carried out on the contents of the hard drive of a specific computer. After physically isolating the computer, investigators make a digital copy of the hard drive. Then the original computer is locked in a secure facility to maintain its pristine condition. All investigation is done on the digital copy.

E-discovery is an evolving field that goes far beyond mere technology. It gives rise to multiple legal, constitutional, political, security and personal privacy issues, many of which have yet to be resolved.

For additional e-discovery resources, please visit: http://searchfinancialsecurity.techtarget.com/sDefinition/0,,sid185_gci1150017,00.html.

"IN THE PROCESS OF ELECTRONIC DISCOVERY, DATA OF ALL TYPES CAN SERVE AS EVIDENCE.

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SACRAMENTO LEGAL SECRETARIES ASSOCIATION PRESENTS Lunch Lesson on "The Write Stuff: Style and Grammar for the Legal Professional"

Registration begins at 11:45; speaker will begin promptly at noon. MCLE Credit: 1.0

Location: McDonough Holland & Allen, 555 Capitol Mall, 8th Floor, Sacramento

Topic: "The Write Stuff: Style and Grammar for the Legal Professional"

This lunch lesson will cover writing in plain English, grammar tools to get you ahead, email etiquette, tips for proofing your own writing, and tips for tactfully proofing the writing of others.

Speaker: Rebecca Gardner, McDonough Holland & Allen, PC

Rebecca has a B.A. in Government-Journalism, she has been published in a number of local and collegiate newspapers, and been published in the Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy. Rebecca most recently published an article in the Trusts and Estates Quarterly, which is a publication of the California State Bar (details on those last two articles are on McDonough's website at www.mhalaw.com.)

Cost: \$15 for LSI Members \$17 for non-LSI Members Seating is Limited – Register Today!

Lunch will be provided. Deadline to register: May11, 2009. Cancellations must be received by May 11 for a refund.

Name	Daytime Phone
Name	Are you a Member of SLSA?
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Mail your reservations to: Telephone: Deadline to Register Checks Payable to: SLSA Paula Lockard, CCLS/Renee Ernst (916) 444-3900 May 11, 2009

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If you cannot attend this event but are interested in membership, please call Visit our web-site: http://www.slsa.org



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Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association Membership Renewal Invoice

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Due Date: May 1, 2009

Make check payable to:

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Amount Due:

(Renewals are due May 1 and will incur a late fee of \$5 after the date of June 1, 2009.)

Return the completed invoice and full payment to:

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIR REPORT by Terry Olson-Skeahan

As some of you may or may not know, being Vice President also means that I am the Membership Chair as well. I am very excited to learn this new chair position and I hope that I can bring many new members into the association this year, as well as encouraging those who are already members to continue on. My goal is to share with the legal community, local high school graduates, local colleges, and other branches of law how important it is to be a member of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association; and, how you can gain further education, obtain MCLE/CCLS credits for attending classes, earn respect for what you do for a living both professionally and personally, and form lasting friendships with people you can turn to for answers or help while performing your job - be it in Sacramento or another county in California.



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President's Report Continued

Flyer Design: Joy DeFay

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I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President and look forward to your participation as we make this a great year!

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David

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VOCABULARY LIST by Elizabeth Bomke, CCLS

Appellant One who has filed an appeal

Calendar A record of time in which is recorded time, place, and date pertinent

to cases at issue, or the act of making such a record of time.

Motion An application made to the court requesting a specific order or

action.

Primary Authority The right to exercise power or authority over a given matter.

Respondent An adverse party to the appellant.

Cross-Defendant Any plaintiff, defendant, or new party against whom a cross-

complaint is brought.

Supreme Court In most states, it is the highest appellate court or court of last resort.

Summons A judicial order directing a defendant to appear in a matter.

Superior Court A court having general jurisdiction over probate and trusts and for

trial of civil and criminal matters.

Venue The place where a case must be tried.

Tickler Record by days of deadlines and items of work to be done on future

days.

Statutory Law Pertaining to or created by statute.

Statute of Limitations A statute prescribing the period of time within which an action may

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Appellate Court Court with power to review the proceedings of another tribunal

(court or administrative body).

Pleading Written document submitted to a court.

Prayer That part of a pleading which sets forth the relief sought or the orders

the party wishes the court to make.

Original Jurisdiction The power of a court to take a case, try it, and decide it.

Trial Court The court of original jurisdiction; the first court to receive and

consider the litigation.

Intervenor Party voluntarily in a lawsuit

Allegation An assertion, declaration, or statement in a pleading

Vacate To void



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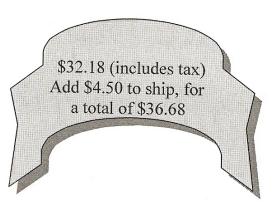
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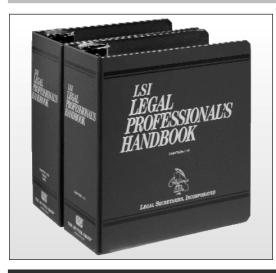
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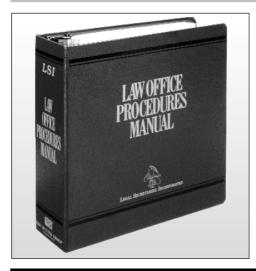
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For a complete price list, please visit: http://www.usps.com/prices/pricechanges.htm.

The Sacramento County Superior Court has an updated website and new website address. Be sure to bookmark the new address: http://www.saccourt.ca.gov.

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