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### EDITOR'S NOTE by Jennifer Rotz

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THE DREAM BEGINS WITH A TEACHER WHO BELIEVES IN YOU, WHO TUGS AND PUSHES AND LEADS YOU TO THE NEXT PLATEAU, SOMETIMES POKING YOU WITH A SHARP STICK CALLED "TRUTH." ~DAN RATHER

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Astrid Watterson, CCLS

Greetings members of SLSA! I would like to begin my first President's Message by saying thanks. Thank you to all of you for once again having faith in me to elect me as your President. If you were at the installation of officers meeting in April, you know we have many exciting adventures in store for this year. Each time a President is elected into office, they are asked to choose a theme and a symbol for their year. Since I have spent the last few years teaching, I plan on continuing to use that skill as my theme for the year. As for the symbols, I chose stars and apples. Stars to symbolize the various rising stars we have as members, who can each shine on their own, but when put together, shine as a brilliant and beautiful constellation. Apples because they tend to be the universal theme for teachers. This year, that is what we are all going to be.

I began this journey by asking several of our past Presidents to be the installing marshals. Over the course of the past few years, when I was in office the first time, to today, many ask me, how do I know how to teach, how did I know how to be a President? This year, I plan on taking away the mystery of it all. I begin by introducing those that have helped me become who I am today; introducing those that can help you as well: our past presidents. Sherri Lee Caplette, CCLS, SLSA Past President 1996-1998; Debbie Frias, CCLS, SLSA Past President 1998-2000; Tammy Hunt, CCLS, Stockton-San Joaquin County LPA Past President 2003-2004; Jan Ainsworth, SLSA Past President 2002-2004; Dawn Willis, SLSA Past President 2004-2005; Jennifer Rotz, SLSA Past President 2009-2010. From each of these strong women, one can learn and emulate various traits that represent perseverance, strength, professionalism, attentiveness, will, procedure, rules, intelligence, and most of all, friendship. We were fortunate enough to have Mary Rocca, CCLS, LSI Past President 2004-2006, as our installing officer. Years ago, I met Mary before she became president of LSI. I happened to sit next to her purse one day and when the event we were attending ended, I came to know a lot more about Mary. Over the course of a few years, we served on committees together, she asked me to give an inspirational speech, she helped me overcome a few public speaking phobias I had, and she has been a friend ever since. I didn't become an instructor or a President overnight. I learned from those around me and I worked hard to help others.

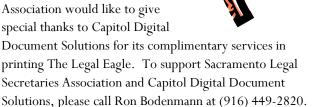


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### SPEAKER SPOTLIGHT by Sophia Albov, CCLS

On Thursday, April 15, 2010, the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association (SLSA) was honored to host the Honorable Judge Loren E. McMaster, of the Sacramento County Superior Court, at its monthly dinner meeting. Judge McMaster gave us all an interesting perspective on the civil litigation process with his lecture, "A View from the Bench." It allowed us to see aspects of the civil litigation process which we are familiar with from a different angle. All the vocabulary was the same, but the connotations were quite different. He reminded us which parts of particular pleadings are most important from a judge's perspective. For example, he reminded us how vital it is to include specific information in the Notice of Motion – he indicated that even if such information is included in the Declarations, it will not be taken into account if it is not in the Notice.

We also got a crash course in the art of avoiding an "Ex Parte by Ambush," i.e., it's important to make all reasonable efforts to serve the opposing party prior to the hearing. He reminded us that without a proof of service on your Ex Parte, you will not win your motion - at least not in his courtroom! We were also reminded that an Ex Parte will not be granted if your attorney or client has created the "emergency" situation. If a situation which requires a remedy is previously known, but not acted on, and an "emergency" situation has arisen because of the lack of timely action, it is not an appropriate subject for an Ex Parte hearing. Judge McMaster indicated that there is no judicial sympathy for situations which are created through a willful lack of action.

Judge McMaster has served as a judge at the Sacramento County Superior Court since he was appointed to the bench in 1999 by Governor Gray Davis. Before joining the judiciary, Judge McMaster spent many years in private practice as a mediator (1980-1999), worked as Chief Counsel for the California State Employers Association (1973-1980), and was a Deputy Attorney General for the State of California (1969-1972). Judge McMaster attended law school at UC Davis King Hall where he was a member of the first graduating class in 1969.

SLSA was delighted to host such an accomplished man and a pillar of Sacramento's legal community. We were lucky to get to go *in camera* with Judge McMaster and experience his "View from the Bench."

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#### VENDOR SPOTLIGHT by Kristi Baughman

Our Vendor of the Month for April was Capitol Digital Document Solutions ("Capitol"). Dave Wilkinson and Ron Bodenmann spoke on behalf of Capitol.

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT CONTINUED

This year, we are going to move forward together, as a team, as an association. This year we hope to be able to offer one 45-minute lunch lesson a month; one 30-minute dinner lesson a month; and one 2-hour evening seminar a month. Our core programs will be based on these three educational opportunities a month. In addition to that, we begin this year with 34 volunteers. Your executive board is made up of: Anne French as Vice President, Crystal Rivera as Secretary, Andy Gilbert as Treasurer, Dawn Forgeur, CCLS, as Governor, Jennifer Rotz as Executive Advisor, and Tammy Hunt, CCLS, as Parliamentarian. That's an impressive lineup. What's even more impressive is the number of chairmen who have stepped up and said, yes, I can help SLSA be the best!



Sophia Albov, CCLS
Patti Alexander
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Mariah Crabtree
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Jaymie Moralez
Aaliyah Muhammad
Meghan Pounds
Andrea Savig, CCLS
Jennifer Shelton

Nancy Vanderhorst, CCLS Laura Welch, CCLS Diane West, CCLS

Thank you to all of the volunteers for this year. Because of you and your work, we will be able to offer all of the members of SLSA many exciting events. To name a few, we plan on continuing with our Day in Court events. Thanks to John Baldwin, we have a new script to work with this Christmas for our Mock Trial. Rebecca and her team will be modifying the format of our January Day in Court event along with our Federal Day in Court event in February. We have a team prepared to tackle the monthly bulletin. Elizabeth Gideon will be putting the bulletin together with the help of Sophia Albov, CCLS, Kristi Baughman, and Paula Lockard, CCLS. They have a few new and fresh ideas for monthly articles in addition to the required articles that must be included in the bulletin. I will not spoil their surprise, but look for the June bulletin for those to begin appearing. Launa Atkinson, CCLS, and Diane West, CCLS, will be putting together the next CCLS Throwdown and will be collaborating with our Bay Area sister associations for that event sometime in February of 2011. Daria Milton will be helping us with publicity and hopefully announcing some of our events in local magazines or newspapers. Desiree Delonia, CCLS, has agreed to teach the Beginning Legal Secretary classes. It is our hope that with some extra assistance, we can put together two BLS courses this fiscal year; the first hopefully beginning in late August or early September. With so many volunteers, anything is possible!

Another big change for the year is our dinner location. Unfortunately, we will not be able to sign another year-long contract with the Casa Garden Restaurant. Many thanks to the ladies at Casa Garden for allowing us to have our dinner meetings with them, but it became financially impossible to continue to stay with them. However, we did find a new location — the Courtyard Marriott.

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#### MEMBER NEWS by Anne French and Jennifer Rotz

Congratulations to **Laura Welch, CCLS**. Laura and her husband are expecting a son on September 1. It will be their first addition to the family.

The following SLSA members took and passed the California Certified Legal Secretary Exam in March 2010:

Sophia Albov, CCLS
Teri McClory, CCLS
Andrea Savig, CCLS
Nancy Vanderhorst, CCLS
Laura Welch, CCLS

The new CCLSes will be honored at LSI's 2010 Annual Conference and at SLSA's Post-Banquet "After Party" at Conference. Please join us in celebrating their great achievement. Many congratulations to you ladies and best wishes for your continued success!

Are you an SLSA member who has changed jobs? Been promoted? Recently engaged or married? New addition to the family? We want to know about you. Let us celebrate your accomplishments with you during good times and support you during tough times. Please send your news to afrench@downeybrand.com.

#### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS



#### To: Members of the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association

This is a friendly reminder that we are quickly approaching the May 2010 through April 2011 fiscal year. Our annual membership dues are due on May 1, 2010. A \$5 late fee will be charged after June 1, 2010. 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 <a href="www.slsa.org">www.slsa.org</a>, and mail it to our 2010-2011 Treasurer, Andy Gilbert.

Andy Gilbert 1017 L Street, #610 Sacramento, CA 95814

SLSA thanks you for your continued support!

# May 2010

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23 LSI Conf.	24	25 Bulletin Deadline	26	27	28	29
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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- May 10 SLSA May Board
   Meeting (Location: Somach Simmons
   & Dunn Time: 5:30 p.m.)
- May 20-23 LSI 2010 Annual Conference (Location: Sacramento Hilton Arden West)
- May 25 Last Day to Submit Articles for the June issue of The Legal Eagle
- June 7 SLSA June Board
   Meeting (Location: Somach Simmons & Dunn - Time: 5:30 p.m.)
- June 17 SLSA June Dinner Meeting (Location: Courtyard Marriott Midtown - Topic: TBD)
- June 19 SLSA Parliamentarian Workshop with Lorenzo Cuesta, R.P. (Location: Somach Simmons & Dunn - Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.)
- July 5 SLSA July Board Meeting (Location: Somach Simmons & Dunn -Time: 5:30 p.m.)
- July 15 SLSA July Dinner Meeting (Location: Courtyard Marriott Midtown - Topic: TBD)

#### Code of Ethics

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Dedicated to Joan Moore, PLS

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#### HAPPY "MAY" BIRTHDAY!



- Alissa Mackrill May 12
- Karen Mangels May 13
- Annamaria Dugan May 17
- Tereta McClory May 17
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SLSA April Dinner Meeting and 70th Annual Installation of Officers



Dave Wilkinson and Ron Bodenmann from Capitol Digital Document Solutions, our April Vendor of the Month



SLSA Past President Jennifer Rotz



Mary S. Rocca, CCLS serving as Installing Officer

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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 48 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 Jaymie Moralez, at (916) 446-7979, or e-mail her at <u>jmoralez@somachlaw.com</u>. 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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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 \_\_\_ \_ Card Verification Number \_\_ Name on Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Dawn R. Forgeur, CCLS

Thank you for electing me as your Governor. It is an honor to represent SLSA. Annual Conference is upon us and SLSA is co-hosting it here in Sacramento at the Hilton Sacramento Arden West. If you have never been to a conference, this is a great time to attend with it being right in our city! I hope to see our members attending and taking advantage of the educational opportunities offered. There are flyers included in this bulletin with more detailed information on the Officer/Chairman Workshops and the Legal Specialization Workshops. Below is a general list of events and activities that you can attend at conference. Remember, basic registration to conference is only \$20. The cost of a scrip ticket is now \$125. A scrip ticket includes the cost of registration, Friday night's reception, Saturday night's banquet, and Sunday's brunch. Throughout the day on Friday and Saturday, you can stop by the History Book and the Bulletin displays to view other associations' history books and bulletins from around the state. These associations are competing to be the best and the winners are announced at Banquet on Saturday night. Also, throughout the day on Friday and Saturday our exhibitors will be out displaying their wares. We have approximately 26 vendors this year.

<u>Friday, May 21, 2010:</u> You do not have to be a current officer or chairman to attend the following Officer/Chairman Workshops and they are free to attend with your paid registration to conference.

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Ways & Means - Successful Local Association Events

Legal Secretarial Training/Seminars

#### Officer/Chairman Workshops: Second Session 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Newcomer's Workshop Parliamentary Procedure

Membership Co-Hosting Annual or Quarterly Conferences

Governors' Workshop

<u>Newcomers' Luncheon: 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.:</u> All members are welcome to attend and its cost is \$31. This is a great lunch to attend especially if this is your first conference.

The Legal Specialization Workshops registration deadline is May 17, otherwise there is a late charge to attend. All members may attend these workshops. Cost to attend varies, so please review the flyer in this bulletin. All Legal Specialization Workshops have been approved for MCLE/CLE credit of 1.75 hours each by the State Bar of California.

<u>Legal Specialization Workshops: First Session 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.:</u> Transactional Law – Topic: Patents & Trademarks; and Criminal Law – Topic: Sentencing Alternatives

<u>Legal Specialization Workshops: Second Session 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.:</u> Family Law – Topic: Calculating Support & Hardship Deductions; and Law Office Administration – Topic: Disaster Preparation & Relief

<u>Welcome Reception/Campaign Party: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.:</u> Everyone is welcome to attend. The cost if you have not purchased a scrip ticket is \$25.

SLSA's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Congratulations to the CCLSes Party: 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.: All SLSA members are invited to attend this party where we will be celebrating SLSA's

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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, 2010 through March 31, 2011. 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
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	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 questions to the Continuing Education Council for use on the CCLS Mock exam. How many? (25 points)
	I recertified as a CCLS during the 2010-2011 fiscal year. (50 points)
	l 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)
	I attended an educational workshop or seminar sponsored by SLSA or another local association. (25 points per event)
	I 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, 2011. (100 points)
	I attended a Legal Specialization Section Seminar at Quarterly or Annual Conference. How many? (50 points per
	meeting)
	l attended a Legal Specialization Section Regional Seminar. (75 points)
	l 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, 2010 and March 31, 2011. (200 points)
	I purchased updates to the LSI Legal Professional's Handbook between April 1, 2010 and March 31, 2011. (100 points)
	I purchased the Law Office Procedures Manual between April 1, 2010 and March 31, 2011. (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). Attached is (are
	a copy (copies) of my response(s). (20 points per directive)
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Please attach additional pages if necessary. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, you can reach Dawn Forgeur, CCLS at (916) 442-1111; or e-mail at forgeurd@gtlaw.com. Otherwise mail to:

Dawn Forgeur, CCLS SLSA Governor 2010-2011 Greenberg Traurig 1201 K Street, Suite 1100 Sacramento, CA 95814

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Butte County LPA and Sacramento LSA Invite You to Step This Way May 20, 21, 22, and 23, 2010 *LSI's 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference* Hilton Sacramento Arden West



Sacramento, California
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

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President's Luncheon (Friday)				
Newcomer's Luncheon (Friday)	@ \$31.			
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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE  $\underline{HOTEL}$  DIRECTLY BY TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2010.

#### **HOTEL INFORMATION:**

Hilton Sacramento Arden West Registration Desk 2200 Harvard Street Sacramento, CA 95815 Tel: 916-922-4700 or 800-344-4321

Fax: 916-649-1311

Must identify that you are with LSI Group

#### **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION CHAIR:**

Astrid Watterson, CCLS c/o Somach Simmons & Dunn 500 Capitol Mall, Suite 1000 Sacramento, CA 95814 awatterson@somachlaw.com For Questions Please Contact Registration Chair

#### LEGAL SPECIALIZATION SECTION WORKSHOPS

Annual Conference –May 2010 Hilton Arden Fair, Sacramento, CA – Host: Butte County LPA and Sacramento LSA

#### REGISTRATION FORM - DEADLINE IS MONDAY, May 17, 2010

Registration MUST be RECEIVED by each Section Leader on or before the deadline.

Please make advance reservations so materials may be prepared. Please check appropriate boxes below.

Mail, Fax of E-Mail 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"

LSI SECTION MEMBER:
Free with Advanced Reservations
\$5.00 at the Door/After Deadline

LSI NON-SECTION MEMBER: \$10.00 with Advanced Reservation \$15.00 at the Door/After Deadline Handout Only: \$10.00 NON-LSI MEMBER: \$15.00 with Advanced Reservation \$20.00 at the Door/After Deadline Handout Only: \$15.00

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Send to:	Jan Vornkahl, Law Office Administration 63 Gazania Terr., Fremont, CA 94536 (H) 510-565-1458 (O) 415-984-8341 Email: <a href="mailto:jvornkahl@nixonpeabody.com">jvornkahl@nixonpeabody.com</a>	FAX: 415-226-0735	c/o Law O 720 West H) 209-72:	Harrison, Family Law Section ffices of Marvin J. Brown 19th St., Merced, CA 95340 3-4479 (O) 209-384-0123 FA mjb@sbcglobal.net		
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PER LSI STANDING RULES, CHECKS ISSUED TO LSI WHICH ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE BECAUSE OF INSUFFICEINT 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 CHECK.

The Legal Specialization Sections are a program of Legal Secretaries, Incorporated, an approved provider, and certify that these workshops have been approved for minimum MCLE/CLE credit of 1.75 hours each, by the State Bar of California.

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#### CCLS QUIZ by Jennifer Estabrook, CCLS

True or False:

- 1. Only three words in the English language end in "-sede."
- 2. Words ending in silent *e* usually drop the *e* before a suffix beginning with a consonant.
- 3. Words ending in *y* preceded by a consonant usually retain the *y* when the suffix begins with *i*.
- 4. When a word of more than one syllable ends in a single consonant preceded by a single vowel and the accent falls on the last syllable of the root word, double the final consonant before a suffix beginning with a vowel.
- 5. When a one-syllable word ends in a single consonant preceded by a single vowel, double the final consonant before a suffix beginning with a consonant.
- When a word ends with more than one consonant, do not double the consonant before adding a suffix
- 7. When a word ends in a single consonant preceded by a single vowel and the accent does not fall on the last syllable of the root word, double the final consonant before adding a suffix beginning with a vowel.
- 8. The ending *able* is more commonly used than *ible*.
- 9. Words ending in c usually add a k before a suffix to preserve the hard sound of the c.
- 10. Words ending in ce or ge usually drop the e before a suffix beginning with a or o.

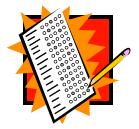
Please see Page 23 for the answers to this Quiz.

#### President's Message Continued

This month, we will co-host Legal Secretaries, Inc.'s annual conference with Butte County LPA at the Hilton on Arden on May 20-23, 2010. Although we will not have a general meeting this month, due to the fact that many, if not all, of the members of the executive board and most of the chairmen are actually helping to put together the annual conference, your educational opportunities will still be met. LSI will be offering many officer chairmen workshops on Friday, as well as Legal Specialization Section workshops on both Friday and Saturday. Your Governor, Dawn Forgeur, CCLS, has written a very informative article describing the various classes and workshops offered. On Friday, May 21, 2010, in honor of our 70th birthday, we will host an after party from 8-10pm at the Hilton on Arden. We will have cake to celebrate our association's birthday as well as celebrating all those who have passed the CCLS exam. If you have time, please join us in the celebration!

As you can see, we start this year with a bang and hope to continue the momentum. If you have any ideas you would like to share or if you would like to volunteer and join the working SLSA team, let me know. Anything can be achieved with enough assistance. Thank you once again for electing me as your President. I hope not to disappoint.

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#### LEGAL PROCEDURE by Nancy Vanderhost, CCLS and Laura Welch, CCLS

You have entered the discovery phase of your case and your attorney is ready to notice depositions. There are several important code provisions to consider during the process. First, determine when your attorney would like to take the deposition. Conferring with opposing counsel to select a mutually agreeable date is not required, but is often preferred by attorneys to ensure the deposition will proceed on the selected date. Code of Civil Procedure section 2025.270 requires that a deposition be scheduled for a date at least 10 days after service of the deposition notice. Accordingly, if you are serving your notice by any method other than personal service, you must add additional days for service. When calendaring all deadlines referenced in this article, always add additional days if you are serving by any method other than personal service.

Once you have selected a date for the deposition, you must choose a location. Code of Civil Procedure section 2025.250 requires that a deposition of a natural person, whether or not a party to the action, must be taken at a place either within 75 miles of the deponent's residence or within the county where the action is pending and within 150 miles of the deponent's residence. If you are taking a deposition of an organization that is a party to the action, it must be taken either within 75 miles of the organization's principal executive or business office in California, or within the county where the action is pending and within 150 miles of that office. Often, depositions of the opposing party will be taken at opposing counsel's office. If you need a location other than your office or opposing counsel's office, court reporting firms are readily available and provide conference rooms in addition to reporters.

When preparing your deposition notice, review Code of Civil Procedure sections 2025.220 and 2025.230, which list the required contents of deposition notices.

When a deponent is a nonparty, attendance and/or production of documents requires service of a deposition subpoena. The nonparty deponent must be personally served with a copy of the deposition subpoena. The noticing party retains the original subpoena. If a deposition subpoena requires the personal attendance of the deponent, witness fees and mileage must be paid, whether or not demanded by the deponent. If a nonparty witness is NOT personally served with the required subpoena, the subpoena cannot be enforced.

The notice of deposition is served on all parties, and a copy of the deposition subpoena is attached to the notice of deposition. This document goes to every party who has appeared in the action. The nonparty deponent is personally served with a copy of the deposition subpoena only.

There are three types of deposition subpoenas: attendance and testimony only, production of records and testimony, and production of business records for copying only.

Deposition Subpoena for Personal Appearance [CCP §§ 2020.230, 2020.310] - Personally serve the nonparty deponent. Although not specifically required, it is customary to serve the nonparty deponent at the same time the parties are served.

Deposition Subpoena for Personal Appearance and Production of Documents and Things [CCP §2020.510] - This document is used when the nonparty deponent is to bring documents to the deposition.

Deposition Subpoena for Production of Business Records [CCP §2020.410] - This document is used only for production of business records. A copy of the deposition subpoena serves as the notice to all parties. The production date is 20 days after the issuance of the subpoena or 15 days after service, whichever date is later.

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#### LEGAL PROCEDURE CONTINUED

Personal Consumer (or Employment) Records [CCP §§ 1985.3, 1985.6] - If a deposition subpoena for production of documents involves personal records of a consumer, special rules apply. A consumer is the person or non-corporate organization to whom the records relate. Personal records are the originals or copies of books, documents, other writings, or electronic data pertaining to a consumer, which are maintained by any witness (a physician, dentist, veterinarian, hospital, clinical or diagnostic laboratory, bank, credit union, insurance company, psychotherapist, school, etc.).

The consumer must be served at least 10 days before the production date and at least 5 days before service on the records custodian. [CCP  $\S\S1985.3(b)(2)$ , (3); 1985.6(b)(2), (3)] The notice of privacy rights and a copy of the subpoena must be served on the consumer first. Due to the numerous deadlines involved in a deposition subpoena that involve personal records of a consumer, it is highly recommended that an attorney service be used for preparation of the subpoenas and service of the documents.

The last day for a party to object to the deposition notice is at least three days before a deposition. If the objections are made on the third day, they must be personally served on the party giving the notice. [CCP §2025.410(a), (b)]

Some secretaries find the use of a checklist helpful when setting depositions. The checklist can include such items as the case name; deponent's name and contact information; date, time and location of the deposition; date the notice was served and method of service; date of service of the subpoena (if applicable); contact information for the court reporter and/or videographer and the date reserved; conference room reservation information; a reminder to request witness fees (if applicable); and confirmation that the deposition has been calendared.



70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and congratulating the members who have passed the CCLS exam. There is no cost to attend! Please come by and enjoy the celebration!

<u>Saturday, May 22, 2010:</u> The General Assembly's First Session begins at 9:30 a.m. All members are welcome to attend this business meeting for LSI, but only our delegates can vote. There is a break from 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. and then the General Assembly continues until 4 p.m.

<u>CCLS Luncheon from 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.:</u> Everyone is welcome, whether you are a CCLS or not. This luncheon will celebrate the successes of the new CCLSes and CCLSes who have previously passed the test. The cost for this luncheon is \$31.

<u>Legal Specialization Workshops: Session 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.:</u> Civil Litigation and Probate Joint Workshop – Topic: Wills & Trusts Litigation

Reception and Banquet: 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.: At Banquet, LSI honors the new CCLSes throughout the state, the new Executive Board, announces the Chapter Achievement Points winner, the History Book winner, and the Bulletin winner.

<u>Sunday, May 23, 2010:</u> Brunch starts at 9:00 a.m. and this is the final day of conference, the finish to the business meeting, and the installation of the new officers for LSI. If you have not purchased a scrip ticket, the cost is \$26.





#### **Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association** Membership Renewal Invoice

Membership Period: May 1, 2010 - April 30, 2011

**Due Date: May 1, 2010** 

Make check payable to:

Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association

Amount Due:

(Renewals are due May 1 and will **incur a late fee of \$5** 

after the date of June 1, 2010.)

Return the completed invoice and full payment to:

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#### BENEFITS HIGHLIGHT by Patti Alexander

If you are an active member of SLSA, you are also a member of our parent association, Legal Secretaries, Incorporated ("LSI"). Your membership in LSI entitles you to many fabulous benefits! One of the many benefits is a discount through Continuing Education of the Bar ("CEB"). Our SLSA President for 2010-2011, Astrid Watterson, CCLS, has chosen "Teaching" as her theme for her term, so what better time to take advantage of our resources with CEB!



Members of LSI are offered a reduced cost for certain educational benefits, such as seminars and publications, through CEB. For more information, refer to http://ceb.com/LSI/.

#### CCLS QUIZ ANSWERS by Jennifer Estabrook, CCLS

- False Only one word: "supersede" Gregg 716c
- False Silent e is usually retained, i.e. "management." Gregg 708
- 3. True i.e. "lobbyist." Gregg 710b
- True i.e. "defer deferring; admit admitting" Gregg 702
- False Do not double the final consonant. "glad gladness;" not "gladnness." Gregg 703
- 6. True i.e. "curl curly; return returned." Gregg 706
- 7. False Do not double the last consonant; i.e. "credit credited;" not "creditted." Gregg 704
- 8. True Gregg 713a
- 9. True i.e. "mimic mimicking; panic panicky." Gregg 717
- 10. False Usually retain the e; i.e. "enforce enforceable; manage manageable." Gregg 707c

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ALL THE TIME. THE

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~EARTHA KITT

#### VOCABULARY LIST by Jennifer Estabrook, CCLS

Accede – to comply with; to give consent

Exceed – to surpass

Allusion – an indirect reference

Illusion – an unreal vision; misapprehension

Complement – something that completes

Compliment – a flattering remark; to praise

Device – a contrivance

Devise – to plan; to convey estate by will

Ingenious – clever

Ingenuous – naïve

Farther – at a greater distance, referring to actual distance

Further – to a greater extent or degree, referring to figurative distance; moreover

Gibe – a sarcastic remark; to scoff at

Jibe – to agree

Imminent – threatening; impending

Immanent – inherent; residing within

Ordinance - a local law

Ordnance – arms; munitions

Prescribe – to designate

Proscribe – to outlaw

Precedence – priority

Precedents – established rules

Principal – chief, leading; a capital sum of money that draws interest

Principle – a general truth; a rule; integrity

Shear – to cut; to trim

Sheer – transparent; utter

Tenant – one who rents a property

Tenet – a principle

Venal – corrupt; bribable

Venial – forgivable (as in a venial sin)

Waiver – the giving up of a claim

Waver - to hesitate



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#### LAW OFFICE PRODUCTS/MANAGEMENT by Andrea Savig, CCLS

#### **EMPTYING YOUR INBOXES**

One of the biggest challenges I face in my day-to-day life at work is keeping up with my neverending, completely packed inbox! I am guilty of emptying it out and then slowly putting everything back. The phone rings, someone asks me a question, or I get totally preoccupied with a single task at hand and forget about the rest. Admittedly, I also feel some safety in knowing that everything I need to do is right in front of me. How can I forget to do something if I am looking straight at it? Well, I have managed to forget on several occasions. This method of madness can be quite stressful.



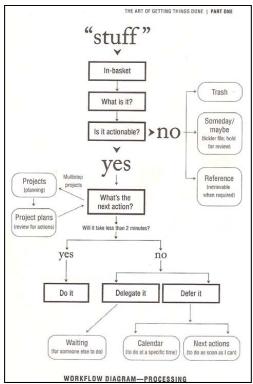
A while back I remember reading the monthly Costco newsletter, and it had an article about processing information and tasks and how to get started. It provided a chart that gave step-bystep information on how to get organized. So I did what I often do, I read the article and tossed it in the wastepaper basket.

That night, after a long, stressful day at work, I decided to research the ideas presented in this diagram. I found a book entitled, "Getting Things Done," by David Allen. This book turned out to be very helpful. I knew I needed to become more efficient but I didn't know where to start. This book gave me insight on how to get the ball rolling by applying some simple common sense notions and how to remember them.

In life I get caught up in what's going on around me and lose sight of the job at hand. I know I could accomplish more at work and manage to spend less energy on daily mundane tasks. In the end, we all want to accomplish our tasks more efficiently and with the minimum amount of stress. I believe following this chart will help with the day-to-day information we have to process and complete. I hope you will find it as useful as I have. Good luck on keeping your inbox empty!

(The following diagram was taken from the book, Getting Things Done by David Allen, Penguin

Books, New York, 2001, p. 32.)













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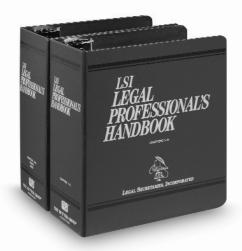
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#### **CCLSES** by Astrid Watterson, CCLS

On March 20, 2010, the Sacramento Legal Secretaries Association's students took the California Certified Legal Secretary exam. Thanks to SLSA and McDonough Holland & Allen for letting us borrow their conference room, we were able to provide the Sacramento Northern California examinees with bagels in the morning and sandwiches in the afternoon. It was our hope not only to be good hostesses, but to provide a stress-free environment for the examinees. The proctors for the Sacramento exam were Kari Kalista, CCLS and Debbie Frias, CCLS, both members of the CCLS Certifying Board. There were a total of 39 examinees throughout California; 18 passed the exam. Of the 18 who did pass, 10 of them were from our class – woohoo!!!! This fiscal year alone, we have had 11 of our students pass. Dawn Forgeur, CCLS and I were the instructors this year with the help of Jan Vornkahl, CCLS in San Francisco and Desiree Delonia, CCLS in Sacramento. We would like to congratulate the following:

Launa Atkinson, CCLS Beverly Govea, CCLS Susie Hryekewicz, CCLS Mary McCall, CCLS Teri McClory, CCLS Andrea Savig, CCLS Nancy Vanderhorst, CCLS Vanessa Vargas, CCLS (SF) Laura Welch, CCLS Diane West, CCLS

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In the 2008-2009 fiscal year, Elizabeth Bomke, CCLS and I were the instructors with the help of Dawn Forgeur, CCLS, and Jaymie Moralez, and the following students passed:

Desiree Delonia, CCLS Karen Gould, CCLS Margaret Howlett, CCLS (SF) Micky Kelly, CCLS Pamela Anne Lee, CCLS Pamela Loftis, CCLS Jan Vornkahl, CCLS (SF)

In the 2007-2008 fiscal year, I was the instructor and the following students passed:

Elicia Allen, CCLS Melynda Ange, CCLS Elizabeth Bomke, CCLS Jennifer Estabrook, CCLS Dawn Forgeur, CCLS Paula Lockard, CCLS



In the last three years, we have had 24 new CCLSes take the exam and pass from our study courses. That's an impressive number! At the annual conference in May, we will be celebrating the CCLSes as well as Sacramento LSA's 70th anniversary. In honor of our association's birthday and also to celebrate the CCLSes, we will be hosting an after party on Friday evening (May 21) immediately after the reception. Please join us and help us celebrate not only our 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, but all of our fabulous CCLSes.

"IN THE LAST THREE YEARS, WE HAVE HAD 24 NEW CCLSES TAKE THE EXAM AND PASS FROM OUR STUDY COURSES."

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#### CONGRATULATIONS, SFLPA by Astrid Watterson, CCLS

Congratulations to San Francisco LPA's newly elected President, Sally Mendez Arevalo. On Saturday, April 17, 2010, my husband Miles and I attended the installation of officers' brunch at Tres Agaves in San Francisco. Not only were we honored to have been invited as guests of this important event, but we were honored to have had time to visit with installing officer and LSI President Christa Davis, installing marshal and LSI Treasurer Mary Beaudrow, CCLS, and LSI Past President Patricia Parsons, CCLS. Shara Bajurin, CCLS, President of San Mateo was also present and representing her association as we all supported SFLPA. During the meeting, SFLPA had the neatest idea of playing a video slideshow containing pictures of their various events and triumphs throughout the year. The pictures played in the background while we had our brunch. I was happy to congratulate SFLPA's newest CCLS, Vanessa Vargas. She was a student of SLSA's CCLS class and participated over the phone and online. The installation was lovely and I was proud to be there representing Sacramento LSA in my capacity as your new President. The new officers of SFLPA are:

Congratulations!

President: Sally Mendez Arevalo Secretary: Beth Davis Treasurer: Kay Newsome Governor: Christine Flores, CBA

Parliamentarian: Yvonne Waldron-Robinson, CCLS

On behalf of Sacramento LSA, I was sure to wish our San Francisco sisters all the best in the new year!

#### CONGRATULATIONS, ACLSA by Astrid Watterson, CCLS

Congratulations to Alameda County LSA's newly elected President, Bryana Schroder, CCLS. On Sunday, April 18, 2010, my husband Miles and I attended the installation of officers' brunch at Horatio's restaurant in San Leandro. What a beautiful day for an installation! The marina was beautiful and the sun was out. Brunch was fabulous as we once again had a few moments to chat with LSI's President, Christa Davis and LSI Past President, Patricia Parson, as well as a few new friends such as LSI Past President Mary Rocca, CCLS, LSI's Vice-President, Brooke Atherton, CCLS, our annual conference co-chair, Julie Edsill, CCLS, San Mateo LPA's President, Shara Bajurin, CCLS, and various Alameda County LSA's past presidents. What a great turnout! Brandon Wai, the outgoing President, in his usual humble manner, gave one of the best introductions for the incoming President. He referred to the Navy Captain's saying: You are relieved of your post. Brandon gave high praise to Bryana, the incoming President and new CCLS, as he said that he indeed felt relieved that Alameda County LSA's future would be well taken care of under her capable leadership. I was so happy to have been able to share this moment with our sisters and brothers in Alameda and on behalf of us at Sacramento LSA, was able to wish them the best in their new year.

The newly installed officers for Alameda County LSA are:

President: Bryana Schroder, CCLS Vice President: Carolina Ramos Treasurer: Linda Andrew-Marshall Secretary: Winifred Owen

Co-Governors: Bryana Schroder, CCLS and Voneciel Gaines

Parliamentarian: Mary Rocca, CCLS

## Officers and Chairmen Workshops of Legal Secretaries, Incorporated

May 21, 2010

Moderator: Jennifer L. Page, CCLS, Educational Program Coordinator

Schedule:

8:30 a.m.

Introductions and Workshop Overview — Shasta A & B

9:00 - 10:15 a.m. 10:15 -10:30 a.m. First Session Coffee Break

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

Second Session

President's Roundtable (Incoming/Outgoing Presidents Only) 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Moderator:

Mary S. Rocca, CCLS

Location:

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<u>Treasurer's Du</u>	ties/Corporate Office	Governor's Work	«shop:	
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Location:	Sonoma Room	Location:	Sonoma Room	
CCLS Throwdow	n: How to and Mini Version	<u>Membership</u>		
Moderator:	Brandon Wai	Moderator:	Brooke Atherton, CCLS, LSI Vice President	
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Legal Secretarial Training/Seminars		<u>Parliamentarian</u>		
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