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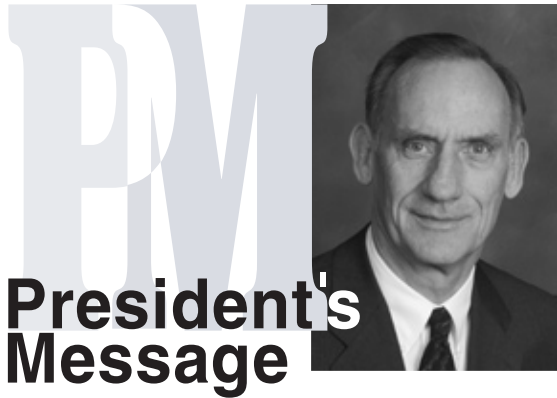
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- 13 Joint RCBA/SBCBA Landlord-Tenant Law Section**
Cask 'n Cleaver, Riverside – 6:00 p.m.
“Unlawful Detainers, Policies and Procedures in Dept. 5”
Speaker: Judge Mark Johnson, Riverside County Superior Court
(MCLE: 1 hr)
Info: Barry O'Connor, 951-689-9644 or udlaw2@aol.com
- 14 Barristers**
Citrus City Grille at Riverside Plaza – 6:00 p.m.
Speaker: Judge Thomas Nuss, Retired
(MCLE: 1 hr)
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- 15 Candidate Forum for the Office of the District Attorney**
Featuring the Honorable Paul Zellerbach
RCBA, John Gabbert Gallery – Noon
- 16 General Membership Meeting**
RCBA, John Gabbert Gallery – Noon
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- 20 RCBA Board**
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- 21 Estate Planning, Probate & Elder Law Section**
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“The Elder Law Practice and Crisis Strategies and Solutions”
Speaker: E. Bonnie Marshall, Esq.
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- 21 Federal Bar Association**
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“Pro Se Litigation in the Central District”
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“Successful Solo Practice Speaker Series: Testimonies from the Trenches, III”
Speaker: Steven Harmon, Esq.
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“Working Harder and Accomplishing Less: How to Get Off the Stress Treadmill”
Speaker: Dr. Jeremy Hunter
(MCLE: 1 hr)

MAY

- 4 Red Mass**
Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Riverside – 6:00 p.m.
Former Assistant U.S. Attorney John Rayburn to receive the Saint Thomas More Award at the reception immediately following the mass.
- 5 Special General Membership Meeting**
Mission Inn, Music Room – 5:30/6:00 p.m.
“The Manson Murders: The Trial of the Century”
Speaker: Vincent Bugliosi, Esq.
RSVP by April 21st to RCBA office.
- 25 Federal Bar Association**
San Bernardino Hilton – Noon
“Annual Constitutional Law Forum”
Speaker: Dean Erwin Chemerinsky
(MCLE: 1 hr.)





by Harry J. Histen

Because I've never been an April Fool's day fan, I decided to investigate its genesis. A good bit of the legend seems to have derived from a change to the calendar in the Middle Ages. Among other things, New Year's Week, generally March 25 through April 1, was traded for what is now New Year's Day – January 1.

The history of western civilization tells us that virtually all ancient cultures paid a lot of attention to the seasons and the length of days. A good deal of the scientific literature that went into calendar development happened on the continent of Atlantis, back when the world was flat. As we now know, Atlantis broke off and sank into the ocean when the earth was miraculously bent into a globe.

Luckily, the Romans had captured much of the Atlantean technology in the early days of the Roman Empire. They used a 365-day calendar that was divided into 12 months and was maintained by the Roman Senate. Incredibly, Senate leaders soon used control of the calendar for political purposes on occasion, though only for good. Adding or subtracting a few days at the right time worked wonders in efforts to pass legislation or to defeat filibusters. (We have learned from that practice and now have checks and balances. Whew!)

No one seemed to care much about such chicanery until the reign of Julius Caesar. Because of the Senate's actions, Julius often showed up days late for a scheduled rendezvous with Cleopatra. After 15 or 20 times, Cleo began to suspect that this was outside the bounds of the customary jerk behavior of normal guys, and 'splained things to Julius. Julius immediately reacted and decided to rectify the calendar problem once and for all.

Caesar shrewdly taught senators of his party better ways to cheat, and then commissioned Pope Julian (221-36 B.C.) to create a permanent calendar. Pope Julian's completed calendar was quickly accepted by the Romans. The Julian calendar maintained its primacy for centuries, even though its use required some knowledge of Roman numerals.¹

During the mid-16th century, an enterprising Pope Gregory the Prescient (1545-1679 C.E.) began considering enhancement of his legacy. By then, Gutenberg's printing press was printing great quantities of Bibles. Greg quickly saw that fast, economical printing could help generate greater publicity for himself. That Julian's calendar had become about 11 days off over time would be Gregory's gateway to fame.

Gregory used the need for an updated calendar to increase his posture in world markets. He hoped that this would enable him to achieve his goal of selling the chant music that had been written and performed by monks. He had long been exasperated because the monks, though way cool, cost the church pots full of money to keep around.

Coincidentally, correcting the calendar would allow him to eliminate New Year's Week and replace it with January 1 – New Year's Day. The benefits of this change would be to (1) reduce peasants' holidays by six days, (2) take all that partying out of the middle of Lent, and (3) name the calendar after himself while dumping Pope Julian at the same time. He also thought that if he could only increase the tempo of the music, he could introduce some lucrative pre Lent parties. Regrettably, the Pope did not live to see his dreams come to pass.

Pope Gregory was convinced that the chant would be a popular musical form. Although the chant was performed *a cappella*, he was certain that a little stronger beat could be inspired by the introduction and use of the air violin. It turned out that he was just ahead of his time – the chant CD was not released until 1990s, and he was a little off with his choice of the violin. However, in fairness, no one could have chosen the right air instrument until Chuck Berry came along

¹ To illustrate and as a public service, I have created a simple tool to help decorators prepare for Super Bowl logos. To illustrate, the next game is in 2011, which in Roman numerals is MMXI. The decorator need only subtract MCMLXVI from MMXI and get XLV – because in this instance, it is clear that subtraction is distributive.

and made the choice of an instrument obvious. Chuck inspired the playing of the air guitar.²

Pope Gregory's distribution of Gutenberg's Bibles is generally credited with inspiring the organization of the Gideons, now affectionately known by leaders such as Kathleen Madigan as "the Easter Bunny religion." Millions of Bibles have just appeared in hotel and motel rooms, yet there is no evidence that anyone has ever seen a Gideon.

Perhaps I have digressed. There is one school of April Fool's thought that holds that the news of the calen-

² Remember: May 21, 2010 is the 54th anniversary of Chuck Berry's recording of his first hit, *Maybellene*. That is important because Chuck's music made air guitar playing an international art form, with annual championship tournaments – since copied by NCAA basketball. Perhaps more importantly, over 90% of all patents issued by the United States Patent Office have been issued since Chuck Berry made that record – that could not be a coincidence!

dar change was not well publicized. That caused many people to continue celebrating New Year's Week and to be called fools, or April Fools. The fact that universal acceptance of the calendar took more than 200 years likely caused the peasants' confusion. Again, sadly, this may have been due in part to the pontiff's mediocre marketing skills.

Gregory's marketing savvy came up a bit short when he released the calendar as the "Christian calendar." Though this was not an intrinsically bad choice, sales were very weak among heretic peoples. Eventually, it was re-released as the "Gregorian calendar," and it ultimately won acceptance as the "civil calendar."

Yet and still, it just may be that in the Middle Ages – at the beginning of spring, right after the vernal equinox – common folks would have just taken their first good bath in months and been ready to party and do dumb stuff.

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2010 Mock Trial Competition

by John Wahlin

The case in the 28th Riverside County Mock Trial Competition involved a Fourth Amendment search and seizure pretrial motion and a trial involving the murder of an entertainment critic. The motion focused on the timely question of whether a police officer's search of the defendant's computer, which revealed the defendant's postings on a community web site, was reasonable. The trial dealt with the timeless issue of premeditated murder. Over the course of four weeks, students from throughout Riverside County argued for and against the admission of the computer evidence and the guilt or innocence of Jordan Bratton, the subject of a highly critical review by the murder victim.

This year's competition drew 26 teams from 25 schools throughout the county. In the championship round on March 6, 2010, Woodcrest Christian High School narrowly defeated Poly High School to become the 2010 county champion. Woodcrest and Poly had competed against each other in an earlier round, in which Poly defeated Woodcrest. The spirited rematch, however, went to Woodcrest. Woodcrest went on to the state competition in San Jose. Woodcrest also received \$1,000 from the Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) and another \$1,000 from the RCBA and its Lawyer Referral Service.

All 26 teams competed for four rounds, with the highest ranking eight teams moving on to the "Elite Eight" single elimination tournament. This year's Elite Eight teams were: Centennial High School from Corona; Great Oak and Temecula Valley High Schools from Temecula;

Hemet High School; Marywood-Palm Valley School from Rancho Mirage; Murrieta Valley High School; Poly High School from the Riverside Unified School District; and Woodcrest Christian High School from Riverside.

In the quarter-final rounds, it was Woodcrest over Centennial, Marywood-Palm Valley over Hemet, Temecula Valley over Great Oak, and Poly over Murrieta Valley. In the semifinals, Poly and Woodcrest earned berths in the championship round with victories over Temecula Valley and Marywood-Palm Valley, respectively.

The final round was held in Department 1 of the Historic Courthouse. Presiding once again was Justice Thomas Hollenhorst. The panel of scorers included Riverside Superior Court Presiding Judge Thomas Cahraman, Civil Court Presiding Judge Gloria Trask, former District Attorney Grover Trask, Assistant Public Defender Bryant Villagran, and RCBA President Harry Histen.

The Riverside County Mock Trial program is a collaborative effort of the RCOE, the RCBA, and the superior courts. The coordination of the program with the participating schools is under the direction of Tracey Rivas, Programs and Student Activities Facilitator for the RCOE. The competition itself is facilitated by a Steering Committee that includes attorneys, judges and other representatives of the RCBA and the courts. Critical to the success of the program, however, is the volunteer time contributed by attorneys and judges who serve as coaches, scorers and presiding judges. Without them, the program could not continue.



*Woodcrest Christian High School
2010 Riverside County Mock Trial Champion*



*Poly High School
2010 Riverside County Mock Trial 2nd Place*

The Riverside program is regarded as one of the strongest in the state. We want that tradition to continue, and we encourage those who have not previously volunteered to participate next year.

Update: The 29th Annual California Mock Trial Finals was held in San Jose on March 19-21. The Mock Trial Program is sponsored and coordinated by Constitutional Rights Foundation, a non-profit, non-partisan educational foundation that has developed law and business-related educational programs for over 46 years. Woodcrest

Christian High School, representing Riverside County, placed seventh at the state competition. Representing San Bernardino County, Redlands East Valley High School came in fourth place.

John Wahlin is a partner of the law firm Best Best & Krieger, LLP. He is the RCBA chair of the Mock Trial Steering Committee.

Photos courtesy of Riverside County Office of Education 



*Temecula Valley High School
2010 Riverside County Mock Trial 3rd Place (tied)*



*Marywood-Palm Valley School
2010 Riverside County Mock Trial 3rd Place (tied)*

WHY I COACH MOCK TRIAL

by Jeffrey A. Boyd

Unlike football, there is no half-time. Unlike a play, there is no intermission. Instead, a mock trial coach is asked to sit quietly and watch a team work its way through a trial. Because of this, once a mock trial round starts, all a coach can do is sit back and watch as things unfold. And just like a real civil or criminal case, the students put in hours of time preparing for the three or so hours of court time in each round.

Don't get me wrong – I have always enjoyed my mock trial experience. When I was in high school, I was a participant on Woodcrest Christian High School's mock trial team. I experienced success when my school won Riverside County in 1999 and had the opportunity to compete at the state level.

As an attorney for the prosecution, I was always first to volunteer to give up my chair during a round to a parent who wanted to see their child perform when our team's defense side was competing. Why? Because sitting through an entire three-hour round and not be able to participate or directly affect the outcome of the round was the most frustrating thing I had ever done – until I became a coach.

There are no timeouts. No half-time locker room inspirational pep talks. Instead, the students must navigate the twists and turns of each trial completely on their own. And as all attorneys have learned, conducting a trial is more than writing an opening statement, direct and cross-examinations, and a closing argument and delivering them exactly as prepared.

Coaching a mock trial team is one of the most rewarding endeavors I have engaged in during my very short career as an attorney. And as a former mock trial participant myself, I can say the time commitment that an attorney makes to coach a team is appreciated by the students and makes an impact that can have lifetime ramifications. I attribute my decision to become an attorney to the Riverside County Mock Trial program.

The main drawback to coaching is the time commitment. It will generally require six or more hours per week. In a profession where bills are measured in time and attorneys (and courts) are often overworked, it can be hard to give up those hours each week during the mock trial season.

But the advantages far outweigh whatever other work an attorney could be doing. Attorneys already face a tough rap as it is. However, this activity allows a high

school student's first interaction with an attorney to be a positive one. Mock trial teaches kids more than that hearsay is "an out-of-court statement offered for the truth of the matter asserted." It teaches students confidence, public speaking, the ability to think on their feet, teamwork, and other lessons that will serve them well regardless of what career they choose. And yes, some do go on to become attorneys.

I would also proffer that coaching a team makes you a better attorney. Mock trial is a unique learning experience for the attorney coach. The coach is forced to manage many different people, all with unique personalities and strengths and weaknesses. Sound similar to working in an office? The coach helps the team come up with strategies, themes, and theories for each side of the case – something that is very difficult to do without the help of an attorney coach. Nothing will help an attorney understand evidentiary and procedural objections more than trying to distill them down so that your high school attorneys are able to understand and use the objections in competition.

As the weeks go on and your team develops a case theory, it is always amazing to me how a student is able to interpret the same fact pattern and come up with a completely new angle on the case that you never saw before. And the fact that the student who does this is 16 usually causes me to lose sleep as I rethink the facts of a real case I am working on at the time.

This year, I had the good fortune of coaching Redlands High School in San Bernardino County for the second year. Our case this year was a murder of a fictional celebrity blogger (with certain similarities to a well-known real celebrity blogger). The fact pattern always presents a strong case that the police department arrested the perpetrator, but there is always enough room for the defense to argue otherwise based on the evidence. A mock trial team must be prepared to present either side of the evidence, forcing everyone on the team, including the attorney coach, to truly see both sides of the case.

After winning the San Bernardino County Mock Trial competition and finishing in sixth place at State last year, our team had high hopes for even more success this year. Unfortunately, we lost in the county finals to Redlands East Valley (which presented another learning opportunity for the team that I coached). Even though our team did not advance to the state level this year, the skills and

hard work the students put in will serve them well in the years to come.

As a coach, it is exciting to see the amount of improvement that happens from the day the students first read the case until the last competition. The ability of the students to learn, receive critique, and adjust their performance accordingly is amazing to see firsthand.

Even though the time commitment can be tough, and you can't call a timeout during competition to tell your team how to handle a nonresponsive witness, the sense of satisfaction and fulfillment that comes from volunteering your time to help a school definitely makes it worth the sacrifice. Schools are always in need of attorney coaches, so I recommend that you give it a shot next year; even if you don't do it by yourself, it is a great way to become acquainted with a colleague.

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Priceless

City of Riverdale to Require Bicyclists to Park at Metered Parking!

Have you noticed the new places to park and lock your bicycle? Did you see the numbers painted next to each space? Were you wondering what those were for?

Effective April 1, 2010, bicyclists must park in designated areas and pay for parking at the meters. Rather than installing individual meters for each location, the City of Riverdale will require bicyclists to pay at the closest CART (Cars Are Reliable Transportation) meter, the same type of meter that motorists use when parking vehicles in the city.

When asked for comment, Riverdale officials referred questions to its transit agency. Goldie Locks, director of the Riverdale Transit Agency, acknowledged that RTA was

facing a budget crisis, but stated, "We hope this jump-starts people to explore public transportation." This reporter believes that even if it doesn't cause people to utilize public transportation, it will provide a good revenue stream during these tough economic times.

For those avid bicyclists who fail to pay the appropriate amount to park their bikes (\$1 for every 30 minutes), fines range from \$35 for first-time offenders to \$250 for repeat offenders (if you've received a ticket in the past 20 days or if you have an unpaid ticket, you're considered a repeat offender). It is unclear whether bicyclists will receive multiple tickets if their bikes remain when parking enforcement returns.

City Earns \$10000 in 15 Minutes

On the evening of April 1, 2010, City of Riverdale police officers positioned themselves near the corner of Grapefruit and Tenth Streets, near the Tod Majal, a 13-story building topped with what appears to be an ice cream cone. Professionals are employed in the building. Officers were there to catch those who were violating Riverdale Municipal Code section 123 (jaywalking).

Promptly at 5 p.m., people came pouring out of the Tod Majal. Instead of walking out to the traffic signal at the corner of Grapefruit and Tenth and waiting for it to turn green, they slowly meandered across Grapefruit without looking both ways before crossing. Riverdale police, armed with their pre-printed citations, which only required the officer to write in the name of the alleged violator, quickly issued many citations. By 5:15 p.m., they had written over 100 citations, representing a potential revenue of \$10,000 for the city. In addition, several alleged violators were led away in cuffs when they started arguing with the officers and throwing their lunch bags at them.

Let Justice Be Done

Officer Sniff booked I.P. Freely into custody for indecent exposure and loitering today after observing I.P. urinating on a fire hydrant in front of the police department. I.P.'s attorney, Amanda Rekonwith, stated her client is innocent of any wrongdoing and indicated she will be filing a lawsuit against the jail for forcing her client to wear striped jail clothing with the booking number "IBAK9." She said I.P. will not take this sitting down and will not roll over on the charges. She said it is time for the public to sit up and beg for justice.



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to our office lobby,
we will be a pest to
opposing counsel until
we have won your case!

Judicial Profile: Judge Rott Weiler

I was a little concerned when I learned that my first assignment as a contributing writer for the Riverside Lawyer was to interview Judge Rott Weiler, currently assigned to Civil Department 101 of the Riverside Superior Court, Central District. Every attorney had a story about their first time appearing before Judge Weiler – the time he almost bit a young attorney for not being prepared at a Case Management Conference; when he barked at another attorney for being late to an appearance; how he even growled at his own clerk for making a calendar error. If you practice in Riverside, then I do not have to explain the level of intimidation I felt as I stepped into his chambers.

My worries increased when I entered Judge Weiler's chambers while he was eating. My close colleagues had told me that Judge Weiler liked to eat alone and had been known to snap at others during lunch. These stories were obviously true, as Judge Weiler snarled at me as I approached his desk, but I was smart and kept my distance until he finished his meal from a can. Once Judge Weiler finished his food, he seemed relaxed, almost like he was ready to lie down and take a nap. I realized that this was my opportunity to get some answers.

Judge Weiler's childhood started on small farm in Central California, where he was born into a large family. With 12 twin brothers and sisters, Judge Weiler recalled, "it was always a struggle with my siblings. We fought with each other for food; we fought with each other when we played with a ball; we just fought. Since I was the smallest of the litter, I didn't win much."

Judge Weiler became despondent when asked about his father. "I never knew my dad. Folks that did know him didn't have anything nice to say about him. When he wasn't chasing females, he was causing problems in the neighborhood. I was told he had a dangerous fascination with moving vehicles and liked to roam the neighborhood late at night. The last I heard, he was a struggling actor and traveling the country as a minor character in 'Lady and the Tramp – On Ice.' Probably best that we never met because I have a few issues I would like to chew on with him."

Judge Weiler excelled in school, graduating with honors from Kentucky National Institute of New Education Academy (K-NINE Academy). During his pursuit of higher education, Judge Weiler was a



natural athlete, and he is not modest about his physical strength. "My coaches and mentors were amazed at my ability to snap any chain they put around me, regardless of its size and weight." His tough and competitive nature earned him the nickname, "Ruff Rott."

After finishing school, Judge Weiler moved to Riverside and set up his private practice representing organizations such as People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) and the Humane Society of the United States. After becoming known as strong litigator, he merged his practice with Chow, Bernard & Pug, LLP. "When I practiced law," he said, "I never took on a case that I didn't sink my teeth into."

After he became a respected professional and leader in the community, Judge Weiler's social status took a turn for the worse after an alleged assault on a postal worker. The incident was highly publicized and led to criminal charges and a civil lawsuit. "I'm not going to comment on that matter. I can only say that people shouldn't dangle their fingers in a door mail slot." Judge Weiler was able to overcome the ordeal and reclaim his prominent status.

When Judge Weiler is not in the court room, he is spending time with his 35 children and his wife, Shih Tzu.

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The Price of Safety

The most recent turn of events has thousands of government workers in Riverside County in a panic over their future usefulness. In what is being described as a phenomenon of “cosmic proportions,” crime has literally CEASED TO EXIST in the jewel county of the Inland Empire. For the last six months, there have been NO robberies, NO murders, NO incidents of domestic violence, NO drug deals, NOTHING! There hasn’t even been a parking or jaywalking citation!

Riverside’s finest, along with all of the employees in the District Attorney’s office and the Public Defender’s office, members of the criminal defense bar, investigators, bail bondsmen, and meter maids, have been forced out of work! “Why?” you ask. Everything points to the actions of one man, District Attorney Rod Pacheco. Pacheco promised to be tough on crime, and he has been. Due to his hard stand on prosecuting each and every case to the maximum, he has single-handedly put every criminal behind bars (maximum security) and scared the rest out of our county! Rumor has it that he even sent his own child to Juvenile Hall. Talk about tough love.

At first, city officials were excited about marketing Riverside as the “Safest City in the World!” However, the absence of crime on the streets has had a significant impact on the local economy. “We thought the real estate crash was the worst thing we had to face, but that is nothing compared to what we are facing now,” exclaimed the owner of Relish, Steve Braslaw.

Braslaw opened his Jewish delicatessen a few years ago in hopes of capitalizing on the market created by the city becoming the legal center of the Inland Empire. “Over the last few months, I’ve noticed that my regular attorney customers aren’t so regular anymore. When I do see one, I’m told that his or her business is so slow, he or she is thinking about relocating to San Bernardino County, or one of the beach counties.”

At the city and county level, discussions are underway regarding significant layoffs. According to an inside source at the county, the decrease in revenue is forcing the Board of Supervisors to make tough decisions, like selling the new building that the District Attorney’s office recently moved into.

Also, the county is working with the city on converting the Robert Presley Detention Center into a new hotel to accommodate the Convention Center expansion. City Manager Brad Hudson observed, “In order to save money, we will rearrange a few letters and rename the building the ‘Elvis Presley Detention Center.’ We will use the song ‘Jailhouse Rock’ and create a unique hotel to attract visitors from all over the world.”

According to Hudson, guests will enjoy the experience of spending a night in the slammer, complete with orange jumpsuits, community dining, bunk beds and bars! The novelty

of this experience should last long enough until the facilities are remodeled with luxury rooms and suites. Police officers are being trained in hotel service, and transportation to the Convention Center will be via their official police cars!

Notwithstanding the actions that our local leaders are taking to save our city and county, many businessmen and women are speaking out, complaining that making Riverside a tourist attraction will not save their businesses the way the return of crime will. Attorneys Virginia Blumenthal, Steven Harmon, Paul Grech, and Frank Peasley have practiced in this community for decades and are not happy about having to find a new community where they can practice criminal law. Likewise, John Garcia will be forced to relocate his bail bonds office on Main Street to another Main Street in another county. But what else can these business owners do? If Judge Paul Zellerbach has his way, they can stay right here in River City.

“I think it is time for a change. The citizens of Riverside County deserve better from a district attorney. They are not getting what they are paying for,” exclaimed Zellerbach. With Zellerbach’s decision to challenge Pacheco for the leadership of the District Attorney’s office, for the first time in a long time, the citizens will have a choice. Or will they? Given the reality that Pacheco has accomplished what he set out to do in this county, there is talk that he should set his sights on a higher level, like the state Attorney General’s office. Will he consider a run for Jerry’s Brown’s spot? Unfortunately, he was unavailable for comment.

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The following trivia questions will most likely be answered correctly by those attorneys who have been practicing in Riverside for many years. With a little research, guesswork and old-fashioned ingenuity, however, even younger members of our profession may be able to answer these questions correctly. As a hint, most of the questions relate to locations that are within a short walk from our Historic Courthouse. Here we go:

1. What was the number of the department that was formerly located in the old M.H. Simons & Co. mortuary, adjacent to the criminal courthouse?

2. In what building was Thompson & Colegate located before the firm moved in 1984 to its current location at the corner of 14th and Orange in Riverside?

3. What was the name of the watering hole (where many judges and lawyers gathered) that was located where the new law building that houses the D.A.'s office has now been constructed?

4. What movie starring Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau was filmed in downtown Riverside?

5. What was the name of the restaurant that was located immediately across the street from the front entrance to the Historic Courthouse and was famous for its clam chowder recipe?

6. True or false: The library building that is located 5763 Tilton in Rubidoux was once used as a municipal court?

7. What was the former name of the Lake Alice Trading Co. & Saloon located at 3630 University?

8. What were the numbers of the two departments that were located on 9th Street where a parking structure

is now located? (Hint: The famous "Stringfellow" acid pit case was tried in one of these departments.)

9. What was the name of the burger joint that was located on 9th Street (essentially across the street from the two departments mentioned in question 8) and that still has its original location operating at 6030 Magnolia?

10. What was the former address of the Riverside County Bar Association office?

11. What number was the room to which mandatory settlement conferences were assigned to be heard by Judge Elwood "Woody" Rich?

12. List the following court buildings in downtown Riverside in the order that they first started operating, from earliest to latest: U. S. District Court, Family Law Court, Bankruptcy Court and Court of Appeal.

13. What long-time Riverside civil law firm was formerly located in the building that now houses the public defender's office?

14. Who is the civil attorney who is depicted in the painting of Judge Rich as one enters the main entrance to the Historic Courthouse?

15. True or false: The two entry/exit doors along the east side of the Historic Courthouse were once open for public use before the courthouse was renovated?

16. Name the long-time former partner in Thompson & Colegate who grew up in the old Victorian home (now a doctor's office) that is located at the corner of 13th and Orange (4310 Orange)?

17. What year was the Historic Courthouse erected?

18. Who is the attorney who is depicted in the sculpture that is located at the entrance to Department 1 in the Historic Courthouse?

19. What numbers were the temporary (modular) departments that were once occupied by Judge John Barnard and Judge Ronald Deissler?

20. After which former judge is the Riverside County Law Library now named?

20. Victor Miceli
19. 11 and 12
18. Enos Reid
17. 1903
16. James Wortz
15. True
14. George Theios
13. Best Best & Krueger
- Court of Appeal, U.S. District Court
12. Bankruptcy Court, Family Law Court
11. Room 163
10. 3612 7th Street
9. Tuxie's
8. Departments 9 and 10
7. Dagwood's
6. True
5. Victoria's Orange
4. Buddy Buddy
3. The Office
2. The California Tower (formerly the Security Pacific Bank Building)
1. Department 10

ANSWERS

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I ASK YOU TO INSPIRE

by The Honorable Jack Lucky, Judge, Riverside Superior Court

I'm a high school mock trial junkie, but in a good way. Unless you talk to my wife, who will tell you that my addiction is unhealthy and disturbing. She speaks from experience. Deborah and I coached mock trial together for three years, and she watched me obsess over every question, answer, and objection. But she was never a student participant, like I was. I don't know if she realizes the impact a coach can have on kids. High school mock trial inspires the youngsters who compete. As a former mock trial student, I ask you to inspire.

Mock trial coaches mentor future leaders, shaping the legal landscape. I went to high school in Apple Valley, population 20,000 or so back then. I was on the mock trial team for two years. My team churned out lawyers. Five of my teammates and I got Juris Doctors. George went to Harvard Law. Doug and Wendy became Assistant United States Attorneys. Mike, Michelle, and I became Deputy District Attorneys. Our attorney coach was Herb Williamson, now a supervisor for the San Bernardino Public Defender's office. I bet he wonders where he went wrong, making all those prosecutors.

Back in the 1980's, Herb was a brand new lawyer in private practice, but he knew what he wanted from us: excellence. He coached our team together with his wife, Lynda, a teacher at the school. They relentlessly pushed, knowing we could be better, always better. They let us know that what we did in the courtroom, in the classroom, and in the community was a constant reflection of our team. If we forgot, we paid for it. Their philosophy works. After nine straight county championships, a judge called Herb the John Wooden of San Bernardino mock trial. I would call Lynda the Pat Summitt.

Mock trial coaches forge lifelong relationships with their students. Many of my teammates came back as adults to help

Lynda and Herb coach the team. My wife and I inherited head-coaching duties when we graduated from law school. Mike and Michelle took over the team from us. We keep in touch with our former coaches and each other. When I took my oath as judge, Herb and Lynda made the trip from Apple Valley and Mike introduced me.

Sometimes one teaches a little too well. Herb did. In high school, Mike was our superstar: unflappable, brilliant, and always coming through in the clutch. He is now a supervisor in the San Bernardino District Attorney's office. In a strange student-meets-mentor celebrity death match, student Mike and coach Herb tried a murder case against each other a year or two ago. I can imagine Herb moving from pride to anguish as he watched his prodigy.

You might think that experience and pedigree are necessary prerequisites for being a great coach, but you'd be wrong. Herb left teaching for law as a second career. He started coaching mock trial immediately, with little (if any) trial experience. Lynda had no experience with mock trial, either. Their passion and commitment promoted their youngsters' successes, in and out of the courtroom. Yours can, too.



BARRISTERS

by David Cantrell

SPECIAL RCBA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

Social 5:30 p.m. / Dinner & Program 6:00 p.m.

Mission Inn, Music Room • 3649 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside 92501

Guest Speaker: **Vincent Bugliosi**

Topic: **“The Manson Murders: The Trial of the Century”**

In his career as a prosecutor for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, Mr. Bugliosi won 105 out of 106 felony jury trials. His most famous case was the Charles Manson case, which became the basis of his book, *Helter Skelter*, the biggest-selling true crime book in publishing history. Both *Helter Skelter* and the subsequent *Till Death Do Us Part* won Edgar Allen Poe Awards for the best true-crime book of the year. And *The Sea Will Tell*, another of his true crime books, was on the New York Times best-seller list. Mr. Bugliosi is also well-known for his other national best seller about the O.J. Simpson trial, *Outrage: The Five Reasons Why O.J. Simpson Got Away With Murder*. He has also written *No Island of Sanity*, *Paula Jones vs. Bill Clinton*, *The Supreme Court on Trial* and *Reclaiming History: The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy*. Many of Mr. Bugliosi's books were made into television movies and miniseries.

RSVP deadline: April 21st

To reserve your seats for this event, please contact the RCBA office, (951) 682-1015 or rcba@riversidecountybar.com.

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This year, I have had the pleasure of serving as the President of the Riverside County Barristers, which largely consists of lawyers who have been in the practice of law for seven years or less. Over the past several months, we have had speakers on the topics of elimination of bias, substance abuse, and financial matters for new lawyers. On behalf of the Barristers, I would like to thank Brian Unitt, Greg Dorst, and Stanley Hargrave, respectively, for conducting these presentations.

During our meeting in May 2010, we will have a speaker with quite a prestigious background. We have arranged for the Honorable Virginia Phillips to speak at our May meeting. Judge Phillips' topic will relate to the nuances of practicing law in federal court. I suspect there are several lawyers in this community – and not just young lawyers – who are not as familiar with federal practice as they would like to be. This will be a great opportunity to pick up a few tips regarding federal practice from a well-respected judge in an informal setting. I would encourage anyone who would like to attend this CLE seminar to do so. The Barristers meeting will occur on Wednesday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m., at the Citrus City Grille at the Riverside Plaza.

Although this column is reserved for the Barristers, I would like to extend a personal thank you to the lawyers and staff at Lobb & Cliff, LLP. I was honored to be able to practice with this firm for the better part of the past seven years. Although I recently left the firm to join Lester & Cantrell, LLP, I am extremely grateful for all of the support my friends at Lobb & Cliff extended to me and my family over the years. Thank you again, and I will miss working with each of you.

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by Mark A. Mellor

Court may not require evidentiary showing as condition for amending complaint. Plaintiff should have been granted leave to amend his complaint because there was a reasonable possibility that he could state a cause of action. Furthermore, although the court should guard against amended pleadings that are not filed in good faith, the court erred when it required plaintiff to submit admissible evidence in support of the proposed amendment before granting leave to amend the complaint. (*Sanai v. Saltz* (Jan. 26, 2009) 170 Cal.App.4th 746 [88 Cal.Rptr.3d 673, 2009 DJDAR 1227] [Second Dist., Div. Seven].)

A private religious school is not a “business” subject to Unruh Act. A private religious school enforced its “Christian Conduct” rule by expelling two students suspected of homosexual leanings. They sued for violation of the antidiscrimination provisions of the Unruh Civil Rights Act. (Civ. Code, §§ 51 et seq.) The trial court granted the school’s motion for summary judgment on grounds the school was not a

“business enterprise” subject to the Act. The court of appeal affirmed, relying, in part, upon the California Supreme Court’s decision in *Curran v. Mount Diablo Council of the Boy Scouts* (1998) 17 Cal.4th 670 [72 Cal.Rptr.2d 410, 952 P.2d 218] which reached a similar conclusion with respect to the Boy Scouts. (*Doe v. California Lutheran High School Assn.* (Jan. 26, 2009) 170 Cal.App.4th 828 [88 Cal.Rptr.3d 475, 2009 DJDAR 1243] [Fourth Dist., Div. Two].)

Spouse who signs otherwise invalid prenuptial agreement waiving right to inherit is not entitled to inherit. Probate Code section 21610 entitles a surviving spouse to a share of the decedent spouse’s estate, if the will fails to mention him or her. However, the surviving spouse had executed a prenuptial agreement waiving the right to inherit. Even though the agreement failed to meet the statutory requirements for a prenuptial agreement, it did meet the statutory requirements for a waiver of the right to inherit. (*Estate of*

Will (Jan. 27, 2009) 170 Cal.App.4th 902 [88 Cal.Rptr.3d 502, 2009 DJDAR 1296] [Second Dist., Div. Six].)

New trial leaves parties in same position as if first trial had never taken place, thus reviving abandoned claim. Plaintiff abandoned one of his claims prior to trial. After a mistrial, he sought to revive this claim in the second trial. The trial court ruled that he could not revive the abandoned claim. The court of appeal reversed. An order granting a new trial leaves the parties in the same position as if the prior trial had never taken place. Abandonment of a claim for purposes of the first trial did not bind plaintiff in the second trial. (*Gordon v. Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.* (Jan. 29, 2009) 170 Cal.App.4th 1103 [88 Cal.Rptr.3d 778, 2009 DJDAR 1509] [Second Dist., Div. Three].)

Psychiatrist not liable for death caused by patient. In *Greenberg v. Superior Court (Smith)* (Apr. 9, 2009) 172 Cal. App.4th 1339 [92 Cal.Rptr.3d 96, 2009 DJDAR 5218] [Fourth Dist., Div. Three], the survivors of decedents murdered by an emotionally unstable perpetrator sued the perpetrator's psychiatrist, claiming negligence in prescribing medications for the patient. The trial court denied the psychiatrist's motion for summary judgment, finding there were triable issues as to whether he had adhered to the proper standard of care. The court of appeal granted the psychiatrist's petition for writ of mandate, ordering the trial court to grant summary judgment. Absent knowledge of a specific threat directed at the decedents, the psychiatrist did not owe them or their survivors a duty of care.

Inappropriate to grant summary judgment on grounds of untimely opposition where motion is defective. Trial court erred when it granted summary judgment because opponent missed deadline for response, where moving party failed to set forth a prima facie case for judgment in its favor and thus, the burden of presenting opposing evidence did not shift to the opponent. (*Teselle v. McLoughlin* (Apr. 22, 2009) 173 Cal.App.4th 156 [92 Cal.Rptr.3d 696, 2009 DJDAR 5745] [Third Dist.].)

Where defendant's conduct is illegal, it is not protected under the anti-SLAPP statute. When a dispute concerning division of attorney fees arose, one of the attorneys threatened to file a report with the State Bar if the other would not release his claim for a portion of the fees. The other lawyer sued, claiming extortion. Defendant's anti-SLAPP motion (Code Civ. Proc., § 425.16) was denied and the court of appeal affirmed. Because extortion is an illegal activity, it is not protected by the anti-SLAPP statute. (*Cohen v. Brown* (Apr. 24, 2009) 173 Cal.App.4th 302 [93 Cal.Rptr.3d 24, 2009 DJDAR 5876] [Second Dist., Div. Three].)

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20TH ANNUAL RED MASS

Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.
Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church
4268 Lime Street, Riverside

The entire legal community and persons of all faiths are invited to attend the 20th Annual Red Mass on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. The Mass will be held at Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church, located at 4268 Lime Street, Riverside, 92501, across the street from the California Court of Appeal, Fourth District, Division Two. The chief celebrant will be the Most Reverend Rutilio del Riego, the Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of San Bernardino. The homilist will be the Very Rev. Msgr. Tom Wallace, E.V.

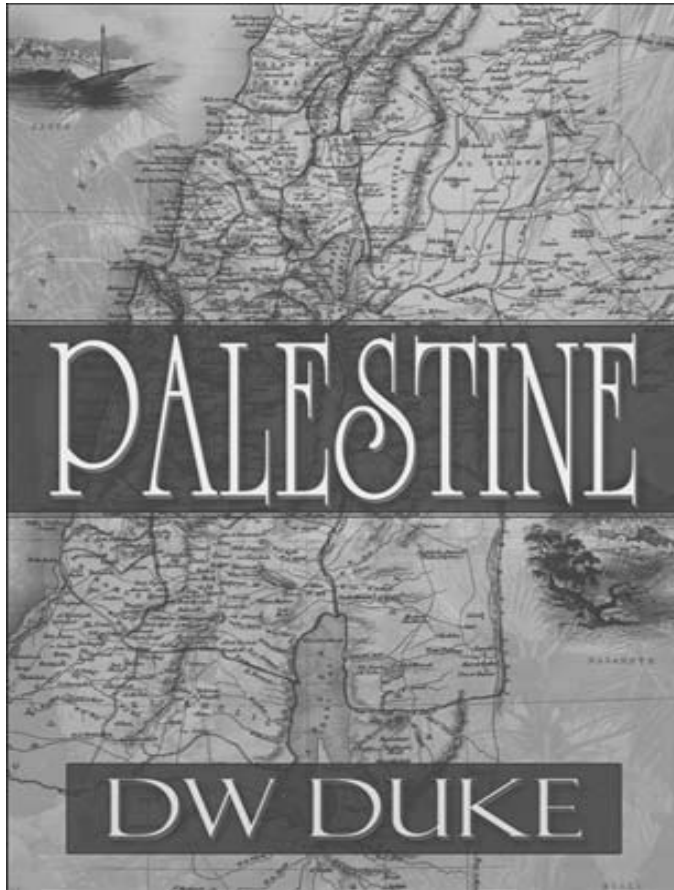
The Red Mass is a religious celebration where members of the legal community of all faiths invoke God's blessing and guidance in the administration of justice. All who are involved in the judicial system, including lawyers, judges, legal assistants, court personnel, court reporters, court security officers, and peace officers, are encouraged to attend the Red Mass.

John C. Rayburn, Jr. Will Be Honored with the Saint Thomas More Award

John C. Rayburn, Jr., former U.S. Magistrate Judge and former Assistant U.S. Attorney, will be honored with the Saint Thomas More Award for his extraordinary service and devotion to church, community, and justice. The Saint Thomas More Award is given to attorneys in the community whose professional life is a reflection of their faith, who give hope to those in need, who are kind and generous in spirit, and who are exemplary human beings overall. Stephen Larson will present this award at a complimentary dinner reception in the parish hall following the mass.

The Tradition of the Red Mass

The Red Mass is celebrated each year in Washington, D.C., where Supreme Court justices, members of Congress, and the President attend at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Since 1991, the Red Mass has been offered in the Diocese of San Bernardino, which covers both Riverside and San Bernardino counties. For further information about this event, please contact Jacqueline Carey-Wilson at (909) 387 4334 or Mitchell Norton at (909) 387-5444.



Palestine

by DW Duke

Product Details

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***Palestine* is about a Jewish boy named Aaron Levy who, at the age of five, is traveling with his family in Israel when the vehicle in which they are riding is attacked by Palestinian terrorists. His entire family is killed in the attack. Aaron is traumatized and emotionally scarred.**

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DW Duke is the managing partner of the Inland Empire law office of Spile, Siegal, Leff & Goor, LLP and has published numerous books and articles on various topics of law. He is extensively involved in matters of human rights with emphasis in the Middle East and in particular Israel and Iran. While trying to develop a way to get his message to the public he decided to write a novel called "Palestine" to address the Israeli/Palestinian crisis.

***Palestine* will be available soon at Amazon.com and your local bookstore.**

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Notices from the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside

• Proposed New and Revised Local Rules

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 10.613(g)(1), which states in part, “. . . the court must distribute each proposed rule for comment at least 45 days before it is adopted,” the court proposes that the following local rules be adopted, amended, or repealed, to be effective July 1, 2010:

Title 1 – General

1.0066 – Arbitrator’s Fees (Repeal)

1.0106 – Settlement Conferences (Amend)

Title 4 – Alternative Dispute Resolution

4.0025 – Mandatory ADR Sessions: Setting and Location; Sanctions (Amend)

4.0027 – Continuance (Amend)

4.0028 – Post ADR Duties; ADR Reports (Amend)

4.0030 – Notice of Settlement Before ADR Session; Sanctions (Amend)

4.0125 – Arbitration Hearing Appearances Required; Grounds for Sanctions for Failure to Meaningfully Participate (Amend)

4.0200 – Court-Ordered Mediation: Pre-Mediation Procedures ((Amend)

4.0201 – Appearances Required at Mediation; Attendance Sheets (Amend)

4.0220 – Court-Ordered Mediation; Grounds for Sanctions (Repeal)

Title 6 – Probate

6.0106 – Lodging of Required Documents for Accountings (New)

Title 11 – Litigation

11.0130 – Complex Litigation (Amend)

11.0135 – Extraordinary Writs (New)

To review these rules, please visit the court web site at <http://riverside.courts.ca.gov/localrules/localind.htm>.

Please direct any comments regarding these rules to the Court Executive Office, 4050 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92501, or email them to courtwebassistance@riverside.courts.ca.gov.

Comments should be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 9, 2010.

• Desert Probate Clerk’s Office Moving to Palm Springs

Effective Date: April 5, 2010

The court is pleased to announce that the desert probate clerk’s office is being relocated to the Palm Springs courthouse (across from the Palm Springs airport) effective Monday, April 5, 2010. At that time, all probate filings and inquiries must be made at the probate clerk’s office in the Palm Springs court.

The probate division contact information effective April 5th will be:

Probate Clerk’s Office
3255 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262
Telephone No.: (760) 778-2207
Fax Filing No.: (760) 778-2269

• Desert Region Small Claims Clerk’s Office Moving to Court Annex

Effective Date: April 5, 2010

The court is pleased to announce the small claims division of the civil clerk’s office is being relocated to the court annex building in Indio (across from the Larson Justice Center – former probate clerk’s office) effective Monday, April 5, 2010. At that time, all small claims court filings and inquiries must be made at the small claims clerk’s office in the court annex.

The small claims filing division contact information effective April 5th will be:

Small Claims Clerk’s Office
Indio Court Annex
82-675 Highway 111
Indio, CA 92201
Telephone No.: (760) 863-7200
Fax Filing No.: (760) 863-7229
Mailing address:
46-200 Oasis Street
Indio, CA 92201

If you have any questions, please contact: Supervisor Enedina Diener at (760) 863-8431 or Supervisor Mark Pettie at (760) 863-7958.



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MEMBERSHIP

The following persons have applied for membership in the Riverside County Bar Association. If there are no objections, they will become members effective April 30, 2010.

Issa G. Abuaita – IGA Law APLC, Temecula

Kelly M. Alhadeff-Black – Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney, Temecula

Ronald W. Ask – Elder Law Center PC, Riverside

Beverly J. Bloch – Law Offices of Beverly J. Bloch, Corona

Jack D. Brown – Lubrani & Brown APC, Murrieta

Elizabeth A. Campos – Sole Practitioner, Ontario

Christian De Olivas – De Olivas Law Firm APLC, Riverside

William A. Diedrich – Atkinson Andelson Loya Ruud & Romo, Riverside

David T. Egli – Law Office of David T. Egli, Riverside

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Kamola L. Gray – Sole Practitioner, Riverside

Matthew J. Hardy – Office of the Public Defender, Riverside

Donald K. Jorgensen – Sole Practitioner, Corona

Wes W. Kennedy (A) – Maxene Weinberg Agency, Mission Viejo

Alejo Lugo – Law Offices of Alejo Lugo & Associates, Riverside

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