NEWSLETTER

November - A Time to Give Thanks

Did you know that November is Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month, COPD Awareness Month, Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month, American Diabetes Month, Lung Cancer Awareness Month, National Homeless Youth Awareness Month and Crohn's & Ulcerative Colitis Awareness Month. It is obviously the month of Thanksgiving as well. Your Foothills Bar board members would like to encourage you to give thanks and lend a helping hand or ask for a helping hand if needed. If you know someone who is suffering from any of the above diseases or conditions, reach out and see what you can do to help. Give a ride to a doctor's appointment, take a meal or offer to babysit their kids. If you yourself are suffering from any of these diseases, build a support network and don't be afraid to ask for help. We currently have some members who are struggling with serious health issues or disease. Oftentimes in the midst of our busy lives we forget to stop and remember those who may need practical help or an encouraging word. Given the state of our economy, this is a difficult time for many

Don't Forget to

Renew:

Just a reminder that July was time to join or renew your membership. Attached please find a list of current members. If you don't see your name, we don't have you on our list so please submit your membership application and \$55 check for dues if you have not done so already. The membership application ensures that we have your correct information including address, telephone and fax number and e-mail address for the website and directory. Your membership dues provide you with free MCLE and social events throughout the year. If you know of any potential new members, encourage them to JOIN! If you have membership questions, please call Stanley Bacinett at 697-4000 or email at sjb@bacinettlaw.com.

people. For those facing serious health issues it is even more challenging. Take time this month to be thankful for your family and special people in your life. Also, give thanks if you have been blessed with good health. Lastly, give thanks for your practice and we hope our local bar association can be a blessing to you.

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Catch This

By Chuck Schmidt.

The FBA Family Law section greatly appreciates Judge Alksne's informative presentation to our bar association and to the Family Law section. Details can be reviewed in Stan Bacinett's related article in this issue.

In attendance at this seminar were the East County Family Law judges Katherine Bacal, Evan Kirvin, and William Gentry, as well as Judge Margo Lewis.

Judge Katherine Bacal asked the attorneys in the audience to volunteer as pro tem settlement judges for the Wednesday morning mandatory settlement conferences. If you are qualified (see California Rule of Court 2.812) and interested, please contact judicial secretary Kelly Fabros at 619-456-4065 or e-mail her at

Kelly.Fabros@SDCourt.CA.Gov. It is always good to give back to our community.

Remember, the Family Law section seminars are free to FBA members, who pay only \$55 for yearly dues. Plus, you get MCLE credits for the seminars. FBA members can attend the seminars presented by the civil, criminal, and estate and probate sections at no extra charge. A bargain compared to other bar associations. The Family Law

section seminars are on the third Tuesday of each month.

We are always looking for speakers so if you wish to volunteer or make suggestions please contact the Family Law section chairs.

Also, if you wish to become a chair or co-chair of the Family Law section there is an opening now. Hurry before it is filled. You can contact any board member or attend a board meeting. See the website at www.foothillsbar.org, which includes information for future seminars, the newsletter and the dues application.

Sports report: My 50 and over wood bat baseball team won the national championship for our division in Phoenix in early October. The week long tournament features teams from across the country and coincides with the Major League Baseball's World Series. Our championship game was held at the Tempe Diablo Stadium where the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim play their spring training games. My law school professor advised his students to play hardball when we become attorneys. So I joined the San Diego Adult Baseball League (SDABL), and have been playing hardball ever since. By the way, this article is entitled 'Catch This" because I mainly play catcher.

Good practicing. Chuck Schmidt

Calendar of Upcoming Events

November 15, 2011

FBA Family Law Section Meeting 12:00pm – 1:15pm At East County Court House – Dept. 7 250 East Main Street El Cajon, CA 92020

Our speaker, Patrick L. McCrary. will be discussing handling a move away case.

Attorney McCrary is a long time Foothills Bar Association Member who has extensive experience in handling both Family Law Cases and Family Law Appeals.

December 8, 2011

FBA Annual Toy Drive & Attorney Holiday Mixer 4:50pm At Hooley's in Grossmont Center.

Please bring a new, unwrapped toy to Hooley's to benefit East County children. These toys will be distributed by the Salvation Army KROC center.

Enjoy the hosted appetizers & hosted bar with your donation of a new, unwrapped toy.

January 9th

"Hard to Get" seminar La Mesa Community Center.

November Civil Litigation Roundtable

In lieu of a formal program, the Civil Litigation Section will have a roundtable meeting at noon on Wednesday, November 9, 2011 at B.J.'s Restaurant at Grossmont Center in La Mesa. Come and discuss issues or pending cases of mutual interest or concern to the general civil litigation practitioner in East County. Please send Mark Raftery or Cheryl Stengel an email at mraftery@epsten.com or CS@debtsd.com to let us know if you can attend.

November 2011

Schedule of Temporary Judges

San Diego Superior Court East County Division

November I

Tim McDermott, Esq.

November 2

James J. Mietzel, Esq.

November 3

James P. Miller, Jr., Esq.

November 4

Jeffery A. Morris, Esq.

November 8

Barry Pasternack, Esq.

November 9

Anne K. Perry, Esq.

November 10

David A. Pomeranz, Esq.

November II

Veteran's Day

November 15

Paula Rosenstein, Esq.

November 16

Bryan D. Sampson, Esq.

November 17

Judi Sanzo, Esq.

Susan Yeck

November 18

Khodadad D. Sharif, Esq.

November 22

Niles Sharif, Esq.

November 23

DARK

November 24

Thanksgiving Holiday

November 25

Thanksgiving Holiday

November 29

Stephen M. Spinella, Esq.

November 30

Cynthia L. Stratton, Esq.

December 2011

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December 2

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December 6

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December 7

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December 13

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December 14

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December 15

Elizabeth Aronson, Esq.

December 16

Dan Bacal, Esq.

December 20

Thomas Buchenau, Esq.

Wells Lyman??

December 21

Edward Castro, Esq.

December 22

Andrew Cook, Esq.

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December 27

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December 28

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OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOUR LOCAL BAR ASSOCIATION

The Foothills Bar Association is looking for members to serve in several capacities for the upcoming 2012 year. The FBA is looking for Board Members, Section Leaders, and general members to assist our 50th Anniversary Committee. Our organization will enter its 50th year of service in 2012, so we welcome your participation as we plan for our 50th anniversary celebration! The Foothills Bar seeks to be a resource to our members and to foster a close working relationship between the bench and the bar in East County. Our General Meeting this year will be just prior to the Foothills Bar Association Mixer and Toy Drive at 4:50 p.m. at the Grossmont Center Hooleys on Thursday, December 8, 2011. If you are interested in serving your east county bar association, then please contact Stanley J. Bacinett at 619-667-4000 or sjb@bacinettlaw.com or join us at our General Meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2011, at 4:50 p.m.

BIG CHANGES ON THE WAY TO FAMILY LAW ATTORNEYS IN 2012

The Honorable Lorna Alksne spoke at the Foothills Bar Association Family Law Section on Tuesday, October 18, 2011. It was great to hear from Judge Alksne as she explained the big changes on the way to Family Law during 2012. Judge Alksne has worked hard on the changes coming statewide that will be incorporated into the Family Code, California Rules of Court, and the Judicial Council Forms for 2012. Since the timeline of these changes was still in flux at the time of the seminar, this will be a very important year to attend the Family Law Winter Seminar on Saturday, December 3, 2011 (check the San Diego Bar Association website). We will find out the impact of all the new rules of court, local rules, new forms, and new judicial assignments at the December 3, 2011, seminar.

Judge Alksne explained that the San Diego Superior Court – Family Law Local Rules will be drastically reduced. Many of the San Diego Superior Court Local Rules will be incorporated into California Rules of Court. The plan is to standardize the practice from County to County. Some of the important things that we will not have in 2012 are as follows:

- •No Order to Show Cause Hearings
- •No Case Management Conferences
- •No Settlement Conferences without a MSC Statement or Brief
- •Nothing to be filed with Family Court Services
- •No Family Court Services
- •No Companion Motions

BIG CHANGES ON THE WAY TO FAMILY LAW ATTORNEYS IN 2012 cont.

Some **new** things to look forward to in 2012:

- •Family Court Services will get a new name
- •OSCs will be Requests for Orders
- •CMCs will be a Case Resolution Conference
- •Attorney Fee requests must comply with California Rules of Court
- •50-80 new or changed Judicial Council Forms
- •Page Limits will be enforced per rule.
- •Counsel/Pro Per subject to sanctions for failure to have a Settlement Conference Statement/Brief
- •14+ year olds will be testifying in Family Court. The testimony must be on the record and there is no waiver of the Judge to speak with the child ex parte (even if all parties and counsel agree).
- •DCSS/Paternity Cases (Department 45 Cases) will be expanded to include all case numbers (not just the DF Cases) where DCSS is enforcing child support.
- •Clerks will be encouraged to reject Substitutions of Attorney and Notices of Withdrawal when outstanding orders are not filed.

Finally, electronic filing for Family Law appears to be tabled for 2012 and will be reviewed again next year. The Superior Court of San Diego County has substantial cuts to make to its budget for 2012. It is anticipated that the fees for the Superior Court will increase. It is anticipated that the hours the clerk's offices are open to the public will be reduced. It is anticipated that staffing will continue to be reduced.

Since the timeline of these changes was still in flux when Judge Alksne spoke to the well attended seminar, you should expect these changes, the judicial assignments, and further plans to reduce services to satisfy the budget to be discussed at the Family Law Winter Seminar on Saturday, December 3, 2011. Cheers!

Family Pro Tem November 2011 Temporary Judge Date Cases Nov 2, 2011 Tom Marshall Judy Marolt Daniel Martin Nov 9, 2011 Dan Grunbaum David Wilkinson William Benjamin Nov 16, 2011 Garrison Klueck Michelle Brown Gary Glauser Nov 23, 2011 DARK Nov 30, 2011 Alan Clements HENDRICKSON, ED83661 Tara Grabarczck David Pomeranz

Family Pro Tem December 2011				
Date	Cases	Temporary Judge		
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		David Pomeranz		
		Charles Schmidt		
Dec 14, 2011	1	Sandra Mayberry		
		Gary Glauser		
Dec 21, 2011		Tara Grabarczck		
		Daniel Martin		
		Garrison Klueck		
Dec 28, 2011		DARK		

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