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## **AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER**

### **1.) REGISTRATION UNDERWAY: ANNUAL KUWATCH CONFERENCE**

NOTE: CDLA has arranged for a limited number of rooms at the super-low rate of \$219/night for Friday, August 15 and Saturday, August 16. *You must reserve your rooms by Thursday, July 31 to receive these discounted rates.* (All of the discounted rooms for Thursday, August 14 have already sold out.)



### **ANNUAL KUWATCH CONFERENCE 2025**

**DATES:** Friday, August 15 & Saturday, August 16, 2025

**LOCATION:** Margaritaville at Gaslamp Quarter; San Diego, California

**REGISTRATION:** <https://www.californiaduillawyers.org/kuwatch-conference-2025>

**CONFERENCE THEME:** *Defending DUI Cases: Science, Strategy, and Hands-On Workshops*

**OVERVIEW:** At CDLA's annual two-day conference, attorneys will learn how to attack and litigate blood test results, breathalyzer evidence, and drug-related DUI cases—from pre-trial strategy to courtroom execution—all in a relaxed, coastal setting perfect for sharpening skills in beautiful downtown San Diego. Attendees will earn 10.0 MCLE credit hours.

**SCHEDULE, SPEAKERS, HOTEL, COST:** See trifold brochure on CDLA website.

Please contact me for additional information or if you have any issues with registration.

Mary (wife) and I look forward to seeing everyone again in beautiful, downtown San Diego!



## 2.) AB 366

Despite strong lobbying efforts by CACJ, CDLA, and many other groups, AB 366 appears almost certain to be passed by the California Legislature and signed by the Governor this year.

AB 366 will make ignition interlock devices (IIDs) mandatory for **all** DUI offenders (not only repeat offenders or serious first timers), effectively restoring and making permanent the current pilot/interim program scheduled to expire at the end of 2025.

The current momentum strongly favors this bill being passed, especially given:

- Unanimous legislative support so far.
- Effective framing as a priority of public safety.
- Urgency created by the pilot's upcoming expiration.
- Likely voter alignment with public safety measures in advance of next elections.



If it successfully navigates the Appropriations committee and avoids last-minute opposition or amendments, it's on track to pass the full Senate and be signed into law by Governor Newsom before the end of the 2025 session.

### 3.) CDLA MEMBERS RECEIVE PRESTIGIOUS NCDD AWARDS



**CDLA President Richard Middlebrook**  
NCDD Leadership Award



**Donald R. Hammond**  
NCDD Stephen Barnard Memorial Trial Advocacy Award

Please send your [congratulations](#) to CDLA President **Richard Middlebrook** who was presented with the Leadership Award and **Donald R. Hammond** who received the NCDD **Stephen Barnard Memorial Trial Advocacy Award** at The National College for DUI Defense (NCDD) Summer Session in Denver, Colorado last week.

CDLA Vice President **Lara Gresley** (right in photos above) presented these prestigious awards.

### 4.) NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS IN JULY

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
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Jude M. Koenig	<a href="mailto:koeniglaw@gmail.com">koeniglaw@gmail.com</a>	530-582-7072	Nevada
Wais Azami	<a href="mailto:wais@azamilaw.com">wais@azamilaw.com</a>	657-667-2234	Orange

## **5.) LIFESAFAER: NEW PLATINUM SPONSOR & EXCLUSIVE IID PROVIDER**

CDLA is proud to announce an exclusive partnership with LifeSafer Ignition Interlock, a nationally recognized leader in ignition interlock technology and services. This partnership establishes LifeSafer as CDLA's exclusive ignition interlock sponsor—a significant milestone in a longstanding relationship spanning two decades.

LifeSafer has proudly supported CDLA for more than 20 years. 2025 marks the first year of exclusive sponsorship, highlighting the company's strengthened dedication to providing attorneys and their clients with reliable compliance solutions and expert support.

Through this new partnership, CDLA attorneys and their clients will continue with streamlined access to LifeSafer support staff, ensuring a smooth experience throughout the license reinstatement process.

LifeSafer is known nationally for its role in shaping the ignition interlock industry, offering personalized service, local expertise, and advanced technology that meets or exceeds regulatory requirements in all 58 California counties.

"Our exclusive sponsorship is a meaningful next step in our long-standing relationship with CDLA," said Michele Horning, Director of Business Development for California at LifeSafer. "We're truly grateful for this continued partnership and look forward to supporting attorneys and their clients throughout California in even more impactful ways."

"LifeSafer of Northern California has always been proud to support defense attorneys with dependable service and genuine care for their clients," said David Nico, President of LifeSafer of Northern California. "It's a meaningful way for us to stand alongside those who devote themselves to protecting and guiding others through challenging times."

For more information about LifeSafer Ignition Interlock, visit [www.lifesafes.com](http://www.lifesafes.com).

## **6.) THE LAST WORD!**

Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding any CDLA membership issue.

Thanks.

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