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## **JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER**

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



#### **ANNUAL KUWATCH CONFERENCE 2025**

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

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

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

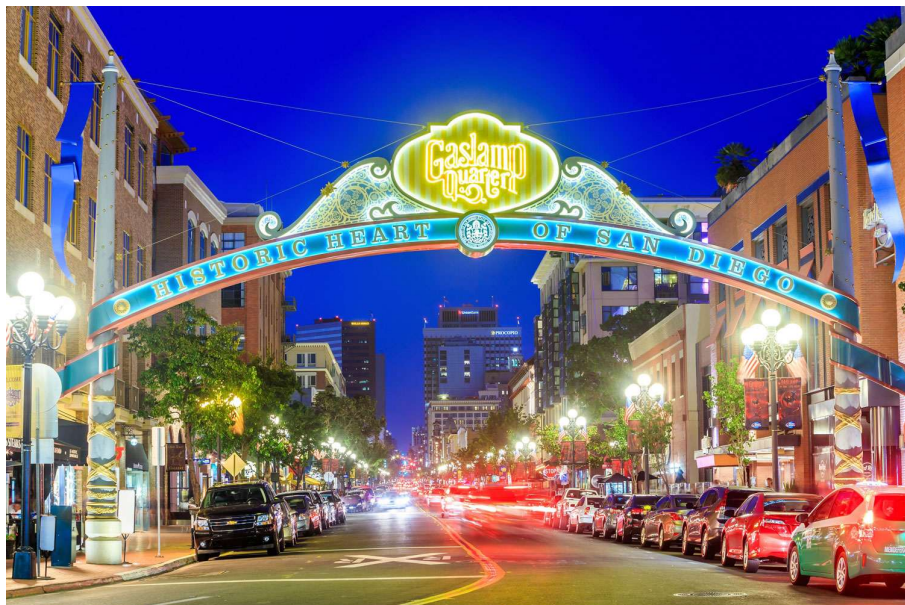
**CONFERENCE THEME:** *Defending DUI Cases: Science, Strategy, and Hands-On Workshops*

**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.) JUNE LUNCH & LEARN WEBINAR



**TOPIC:** *Countering Bias*

**WHEN:** Tuesday, June 17, 2025  
11:30 am to 1:30 pm

**MCLE:** Approved for 1.5 hours of MCLE General participatory credit, including 1.50 hours of Implicit Bias credit.

**COST TO CDLA MEMBERS:** Free!

**REGISTRATION:** <https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/countering-bias>

**PRESENTER:** Tatiana Kline



Tatiana Kline is a training attorney for the Office of the State Public Defender in California. Prior to that role, she worked as a Deputy Public Defender in San Diego for 9.5 years. Tatiana graduated from the University of San Diego School of Law in 2013 and from the University of Michigan in 2009 with a B.A. in Psychology and a B.A. in English. She served as a Director for the San Diego County Bar Association from January 2022 to May 2024. She is currently the co-chair on the SDCBA's Wellness subcommittee and is active in the SDCBA's DEI division, Anti-Racism subcommittee, and LLC committee.

Additionally, she is a member of the National Association for Public Defense's Wellness Committee, the Early B. Gilliam Bar Association, the Criminal Defense Lawyers Club and is a certified instructor for the National Institute of Trial Advocacy. Tatiana finds joy in promoting the health and wellness of everyone she interacts with. After finding herself unhappy, depressed and desperate for change, she started her own journey to find mental wellness, clarity and peace. Tatiana enjoys sharing her journey in the hopes that others find comfort and solace in the practices that have tremendously changed her life.

### **WEBINAR CONTENT:**

One thing everyone has in common is that they are not free of bias. From a young age, we are taught to perceive the world in a way that causes harm to marginally oppressed people. To evolve, we must actively unlearn what we were taught. This is not easy. In fact, it is uncomfortable. In this session participants will learn what implicit bias is, the nuanced ways it permeates our society, and how to respond to it. At the end of the presentation, we will discuss ways to examine our own implicit bias and the tools available to help us prevent future harm.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Brief presentations from our Sponsors will be held prior to the start of this webinar.
- This program will be recorded and added to CDLA's Learning Management System.
- All attendees will receive a Certificate of Attendance the day after the webinar.
- Please contact me if you have any questions or have any issues registering for this webinar.

### **3.) CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWLY ELECTED DIRECTORS!**



**Mike Donaldson**



**Patrick Kolasinski**



**Charles Dresow**

Patrick Kolasinski, Michael Donaldson, and Charles Dresow have been elected to the CDLA Board of Directors. They will serve a four-year term from August 2025 to August 2029.

They will join the following 13 members of the Board who are returning for the year 2025-2026:

Richard Middlebrook  
Lara Gressley  
Phillip Gagnon  
Michael Kennedy  
Phillip Crawford  
Peter Johnson  
Joshua Price  
Ryan Wilbur  
Jeanne Normandeau  
Lynn Gorelick  
Suzanne Ferguson  
Virginia Landry  
Manny Daskal

### **4.) BOARD APPROVES PRESIDENT EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP**

At its April 2025 meeting, the Board of Directors approved a new member classification:

#### **PRESIDENT EMERITUS**

CDLA members who have served on the Board of Directors as President with distinction, and who is now retired from their law practice, may be nominated and elected by the Board of Directors for President Emeritus status.

A President Emeritus member shall be entitled to be included on the CDLA listserv and will not be charged any annual dues. President Emeritus members serve as non-voting members and may attend CDLA's annual conference at the lowest conference registration rate available (i.e. CDLA Attorney Public Defender registration rate.)



## **5.) WEBINARS AVAILABLE 24/7 ON DEMAND**

The 5/20/25 May *Lunch & Learn* webinar - **SEVILLA ON CIVILITY** - presented by **Chuck Sevilla** - is now available via CDLA's Learning Management System!

CDLA members can access **27 CDLA webinars** 24/7 On-Demand and even earn MCLE credit!

**SEVILLA ON CIVILITY - NOW AVAILABLE!**

**WORK SMARTER - NOT HARDER: AI TOOLS FOR DUI ATTORNEYS**

**EFFECTIVE OPENING STATEMENTS**

**THC/CANNABIS TOXICOLOGY - RECOGNIZING IMPAIRMENT**

**NAVIGATING THE IMMIGRATION CONSEQUENCES OF DUI'S**

**DEFENDING PROFESSIONAL LICENSES IN CALIFORNIA: CROSSOVER CASES INVOLVING DRUG & ALCOHOL ISSUES**

**SQUARE PEG IN A ROUND HOLE: DISRUPTING TRADITIONAL ADDICTION RECOVERY**

**DOING BATTLE WITH THE DMV**

**CHEMICAL BREATH TEST MACHINES**

**FIELD SOBRIETY TESTS: FACT, FICTION, OR VODOO ECONOMICS**

**THC/CANNABIS: RECOGNIZING IMPAIRMENT**

**DUI FORENSICS: How to Support Your Expert and Discredit the State Charlatan**

**Head Trauma, Comprehensive and Intoxication: What to Look for in every Case**

**California Primer for DUI & Criminal Defense Attorneys**

**Ethics & Diversity in Your Legal Practice**

**Human Factors**

**Miranda & DUI with Lara Gressley**

**Cross Examination of the State's Expert**

**DUI Drugs Webinar Part 1: Pharmacology Expert**

**DUI Drugs Webinar Part 2: Drug Recognition Evaluation (DRE)**

**DUI Drugs Webinar Part 3: Blood Analysis for Drugs**

**Effective Opening Statements**

**All Things AMP (Accepted Medical Practices)!**

## **Victim Restitution**

### **The Rule-Out Method of Criminal Defense: A Game Changer**

### **Effective Legal Writing for Attorneys**

### **How to Challenge the THC Evidence in Every Case**

### **HOW TO ACCESS A CDLA WEBINAR (in 5 easy steps!)**

<https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/>

#### **1.) MEMBER LOGIN**

#### **2.) ON-DEMAND WEBINARS**

#### **3.) COURSE LIST**

#### **4.) DETAILS**

#### **5.) SELECT COURSE YOU WISH TO WATCH (27 available!)**

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- Chuck's presentation, additional documents, bio, and a link to the assessment will also appear.
- Once you have watched (at least 90% of) the webinar and completed the assessment (with a 70%+ passing grade), you will receive a Certificate of Attendance via email.
- Print the Certificate, complete the bottom portion of this form, and retain a copy for your files.
- Please contact me if you have difficulty accessing any of these presentations or do not receive your MCLE Certificate of Attendance after successfully completing any program.

### **6.) NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS IN MAY**

<b><u>MEMBER</u></b>	<b><u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u></b>	<b><u>TELEPHONE</u></b>	<b><u>COUNTY</u></b>
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## **7.) THE LAST WORD!**

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any issue registering or accessing any CDLA program. Your CDLA membership is truly appreciated.

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