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Please join us at next month's luncheon:

**Mayor-elect
Darrell Steinberg**

Thursday,
September 15, 2016
Lucca Restaurant



August Luncheon Highlights

The Fair Political Practices Commission: Now and in the Future

Speaker: Galena West, Chief of Enforcement

By: Kelly Babineau, Co-Chair Programs Committee

At the August luncheon Galena West, the Chief of Enforcement for the FPPC, joined WLS to discuss the Fair Political Practices Commission. During this election season Ms. West was able to provide some insight into the "behind the scenes" work of the FPPC that ensures the integrity and fairness of California's political process.

The FPPC is under the Governor's office, it's a 5 member nonpartisan commission that's primary responsibility is the impartial and effective administration of the Political Reform Act. The FPCC was created in 1974 as a result of the Watergate scandal. Californians wanted to reign in the corruptive influences of special interest groups by creating an agency to enforce the restrictions on fund-raising and lobbying in the political process.

The FPPC works with candidates and the public to ensure compliance with the law, this includes educating the community and various town agencies or clerks about the law, and assisting with compliance and enforcement of the rules and regulations. Often people who have had a complaint filed against them protest that the person who filed the complaint did so because of some ulterior motive.



Ms. West and WLS President Jennifer Hartman King

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September Luncheon: A Conversation with Sacramento's Future Mayor Featuring Darrell Steinberg, Mayor-Elect of Sacramento

Darrell Steinberg, the Mayor-Elect of Sacramento is set to assume that office in January of 2017. Prior to his run for mayor, Mr. Steinberg was California Senate President pro Tempore and leader of the State Senate from 2008 to 2014. Come join us for lunch and learn about the exciting vision Mayor-Elect Steinberg has for Sacramento.

WHEN: September 15, 2016

WHERE: Lucca Restaurant and Bar, 1615 J Street, Sacramento, CA

TIME: 12:00-1:15 p.m.

MENU: Farro Salad with Chicken, Vegetarian Sandwich, Spicy Penne with Sausage or Lucky Dog Cheeseburger. Each menu item comes with choice of soda or iced tea.

COST: \$30.00 for current WLS members, Past Presidents of WLS, and Judges; \$35.00 for all others, except law students, whose cost is \$25.00. Without advance reservation, it may not be possible to get the entrée of your choice.

RSVP with menu choice online at www.womenlawyers-sacramento.org (please use the Note function to identify name of attendee and menu choice) **or with confirmation of mailed check to Kelly Babineau at kbabineau@klblawoffice.net.** Please mail your check, payable to WLS, with menu choice **for receipt by September 14, 2016** to WLS, Attn: Luncheon, P.O. Box 936, Sacramento, CA 95814. **Please indicate if you are a current WLS member, past president, or judge on the check.** WLS is charged for cancellations. Payments must be received in advance and are not refundable. Seating at the door is subject to availability.

WLS Publicity & Community Relations Committee: Expanding WLS' Reach Through Social Media and Social Activities

By: Christina Cortino and Katherine Underwood , Co-Chairs

WLS's Publicity and Community Relations Committee, led by co-chairs Katherine Underwood and Christina Cortino, has been working to increase the online presence of Women Lawyers of Sacramento. Earlier this year WLS transitioned to a new Facebook page. The new page generates more traffic, engages students from local law schools, promotes the organization's numerous events, and disseminates news affecting women lawyers in California. In its first 30 days, WLS's Facebook page received over 250 followers. Recently, national organizations, including the American Bar Association, have linked to WLS's social media content. The committee invites everyone to "like" the WLS Facebook page and share our events: <https://www.facebook.com/womenlawyersofsacramento>.

Earlier in the year, the committee hosted two mixers and we are thrilled to report the events drew in existing members, prospective attorney and judicial members, recent graduates, and current law students. These mixers were a great opportunity to not only network with fellow attorneys, but also to meet law students and recent graduates interested in being a part of WLS.

The committee is presently collaborating with the Career Advancement and Retention Committee to host WLS's Fourth Annual Speed Networking Night on October 20, 2016. This event is a fun and engaging way to network with members of our community. The event is free and we hope you will R.S.V.P. to plee@boutinjones.com by October 12, 2016.

Whether you follow WLS on social media or attend networking events, the Publicity and Community Relations Committee is thrilled our members are engaged and furthering WLS' mission to advance women in the legal profession.



WLS Members attend one of the WLS Mixers at Il Fornaio

July Luncheon Highlights, continued...

Although that may be true, the FPPC does not consider the motives of the complainants, only the actual complaint. The FPPC handles all complaints and investigations with the same set of rules, to ensure equitable enforcement of the law.

For example, during an election season, the FPPC receives a number of complaints about the various candidates, usually from the opposing side, for failing to follow the rules, such as the campaign finance laws. There are various types of financial statements that must be filed throughout the campaign, such as semi-annual statements that must disclose \$1000 or more contributions by a single household or any contributions over \$100 within 12 days of the election. When a complaint is filed, the FPPC tries to investigate the claim as expeditiously as possible, to help ensure a level playing field.

The FPPC has developed a "user friendly" website with a candidate tool kit and transparency portal, to better allow the public access to the information that is critical to the political process. It even includes a "heat map" that shows the number of violations that have occurred by county. The public may click on the county and find a list of violations that have been adjudicated, including the nature of the violation and the fine imposed.

WLS is extremely grateful to Galena West for sharing her expertise and time during this very busy election season. Her discussion was lively and informative and we greatly appreciate her insightful and entertaining commentary.

WLS Hosts Brown Bag Lunch: How Can Your Law School Help You As A Practicing Attorney?

On August 9, 2016, the Career Advancement and Retention Committee presented "How Can Your Law School Help You, as a Practicing Attorney?"

Nossaman, LLP hosted this Brown Bag lunch, where attorneys and students heard from Leah Adams of McGeorge's Career Development Office, Angelique Ellis of McGeorge's Alumni Relations Office, and Natalie Johnston Butcher of UC Davis's Career Services and Judicial Clerkships Office.

Discussion topics ranged from the importance of a robust LinkedIn account, to assistance with changing careers, to evaluating recruiters.

Both law schools have strong alumni connections in Sacramento, and our speakers encouraged all in attendance to take a look at alumni directories and the many other resources the schools offer their graduates. The CAR Committee and Publicity and Communications Committee look forward to their next event, the 4th Annual Speed Networking Night, on October 20, 2016, at Foundation Restaurant.

Please Join Us for WLS' 23rd Annual Artfest

September 22, 2016 at the Verge Center for the Arts

By: Corrie Manning and Katie Nystrom, Development Committee Co-Chairs

Enjoy an evening of hors d'oeuvres and wine as you view the artwork of talented local artists and participate in a silent auction to support worthy local non-profit organizations at Women Lawyers of Sacramento's 23rd Annual Artfest and Silent Auction, September 22, 2016 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Verge Center for the Arts, located at 625 S Street in Sacramento.

Funds raised from Artfest go to the WLS Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public benefit corporation that supports local organizations with community grants and scholarships to help women and children in need in our community. Please help us make this year's Artfest and Silent Auction another fun and successful event.

Tickets are available on the WLS website or by completing and returning the event flyer included in this issue of the newsletter.

Some of the great items up for auction include:

- ◊ Disneyland One Day Park Hopper Passes
- ◊ Atlantis Casino Resort Hotel Stay
- ◊ California Academy of Sciences Tickets
 - ◊ Sacramento Zoo Tickets
 - ◊ Crocker Art Museum Tickets
 - ◊ Fairy Tale Town Tickets
 - ◊ Custom Pet Portrait
- ◊ Dillon Beach Vacation House Stay
- ◊ Wine Tastings
- ◊ Prenatal Yoga Package
- ◊ Spa Package
- ◊ Studio Movie Grill Passes
- ◊ Restaurant Gift Cards
- ◊ Gift Baskets
- ◊ Artwork & Jewelry
- ◊ And much more!!!



We look forward to
seeing you at Artfest!





Women Lawyers of Sacramento Presents the 23rd Annual Art Fest

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016 - 6:00PM-8:30PM

LOCATION: VERGE CENTER FOR THE ARTS
625 S STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95811

Join colleagues and friends for an exciting evening including local artists, hosted food and wine, and silent auction. Proceeds fund grants to local charitable organizations and scholarships for law students.

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Ticket pricing: \$40 advance purchase; \$45 at the door.

Tickets may also be purchased online at <http://womenlawyers-sacramento.org/events/annual-artfest/>

I would like _____ tickets at \$40/person

I cannot attend, but would like to donate: \$_____

Enclosed is my payment of \$_____ Check #_____

Name(s): _____

Company: _____

Address/Phone: _____

Email: _____

For Information on the event please contact the WLS Development Committee at wlsartfest@gmail.com

Return form and check payable to "WLS Foundation" To: FolioDynamix
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Congratulations to the WLS Members Named 2016 Top Lawyers by Sacramento Magazine!

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- ◊ Andrea Price, Langenkamp Curtis & Price

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Nominations for Northern California Super Lawyers
is open now until November 14th.

This is a great opportunity to nominate your peers and support your fellow women lawyers.

Nominations can be made at:

<http://www.superlawyers.com/about/nominations.html>



Call for Nominations for the 2016 Frances Newell Carr Achievement Award

The Frances Newell Carr Achievement Award is a prestigious annual award given by Women Lawyers of Sacramento to an outstanding lawyer, judge, or scholar in the Sacramento community in celebration of the awardee's professional achievements, commitment to furthering legal opportunities for women in the law, and contribution to the lives of women and children in our community.

The Frances Newell Carr Achievement Award was established by WLS in 1994 to honor the late Justice Frances Newell Carr (October 27, 1923 - January 16, 1992), who was a founder and the first president of WLS in 1962. Justice Carr was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to the Sacramento County Superior Court and was the first woman judge appointed in the county. In 1978, she was elected the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court, and in 1980, she was appointed to the Third District Court of Appeal, where she served until her passing in 1992. In addition to her professional achievements, Justice Carr had vision and commitment to her community.

The 2016 Frances Newell Carr Achievement Award for Professional Excellence will be presented at the WLS December luncheon.

If you would like to nominate an individual for the award, contact Vanessa Hunter, (vh@pollara-law.com), Tara Rojas (Tara@goyette-assoc.com), and Elizabeth Dietzen Olsen (Elizabeth.DietzenOlsen@sen.ca.gov), Co-Chairs of the Grants and Awards Committee. Nominations will be accepted until September 16, 2016.

In your nomination, please address how the proposed nominee has met the following four criteria: (1) served in the community; (2) achieved professional excellence in his/her career; (3) assisted women to pursue legal careers; and (4) personally advanced opportunities for women in the law. Each nomination also should include curriculum vitae of the nominee, and three letters of recommendation, with each letter supporting at least one of the four criteria regarding the nominee. Nominations that do not include this information will not be considered.

Previous recipients of the award include: the Honorable Alice Lytle (1994), Virginia Mueller (1995), the Honorable Cecily Bond (1996), Charity Kenyon (1997), the Honorable Faith Geoghegan (1998), Marian Johnston (1999), Professor Martha West (2000), Joan Stone (2001), Lily Spitz (2002), the Honorable Judy H. Hersher (2003), the Honorable James Mize (2004), Pauline Gee (2005), the Honorable Emily Vasquez (2006), Windie Olivia Scott (2007), Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker (2008), Karen M. Goodman (2009), Jean McEvoy (2010), Ruthe Ashley (2011), the Honorable M. Kathleen Butz (2012), Patricia Sturdevant (2013), the Honorable Kimberly J. Mueller (2014), and Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye (2015).

Announcements

2016 Luncheon Schedule

Lucca Restaurant and Bar
1615 J Street, Sacramento

- September 22
- October 27
- November 17
- December 15



If you are not currently a member of Women Lawyers of Sacramento, please consider joining this incredible organization. WLS is premised on the belief that women deserve equal rights, respect and opportunities in the workplace and society at large. Founded in 1962, WLS reaches beyond the practice of law by promoting the interest of women in the community. Membership is open to all judges, lawyers and law students.

If you are a current member, please visit our website to review all of the wonderful resources available to you.

Please contact one of our co-chairs, Carmen-Nicole Cox (carmeniclecox@gmail.com) or Heather Johnston (hjohnston@trainorfairbrook.com) for more information or visit our website at <http://womenlawyers-sacramento.org/>

WLS Accepts & Publishes Readers' Announcements

If you have an announcement to share with the WLS members, please email the Newsletter Co-Chairs, Meghan Covert Russell at mrussell@parkercovert.com and Latika Sharma at Latika.Sharma@DMHC.CA.GOV. We will endeavor to publish your announcement in an upcoming edition of the WLS Newsletter (space permitting).

The submission deadline for each issue is the 1st of that month.

Please attach any digital photos or art that you would like to accompany your post.

Announcements Continued...



SAVE THE DATE



**Women Lawyers of Sacramento will honor the
California Supreme Court**

**November 1, 2016
5:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building Foyer
914 Capitol Mall, Sacramento**

Reception will follow the Court's completion of oral arguments and chambers conference.

**Tickets will be available to WLS members on September 20th
and to non-members on October 1st.**

For information about the event, please contact:

Sonia Fernandes (soniafernandes.esq@gmail.com) or

Stephanie Ogren (sogren@delfinomadden.com)

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You're invited to the
California Women Lawyers' 42nd Annual Dinner and Silent Auction
"Inspire, Inform, Illuminate"



Thursday, September 29, 2016

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina

333 West Harbor Drive, San Diego

5:30 pm Silent Auction and Networking Reception

7:00 pm Dinner and Program

TICKETS \$150 per person

Featuring Keynote Speaker:

Janet Napolitano,

President, University of California



And Presentation of the 2016 Fay Stender

Award to honoree:

Elaine A. Alexander

Executive Director, Appellate Defenders, Inc.

In recognition of her commitment to the advancement of women and minorities

Registration and more information is available at:

<http://www.cwl.org/events/CWL-42nd-Annual-Dinner-and-Silent-Auction-109/details>

Please join us as we celebrate and honor women in the legal profession and highlight the achievements of CWL and its members. We are honored to have Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye install the 2016-17 CWL Board of Governors including Professor Chris Chambers Goodman as President, Renee Galente as President-Elect, Amee Mikacich as 1st Vice President, Jessica Rowe as 2nd Vice President, Connie Chen as Treasurer, and Naomi Dewey as Secretary.

The CWL Foundation's Silent Auction kicks off the event. Bid on fabulous items including hotel stays, sports tickets, electronics, nights out on the town, entertainment and more!

Announcements Continued...

Congratulations to the Women Lawyers of Sacramento on hosting the 23rd annual Artfest!



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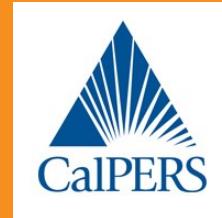


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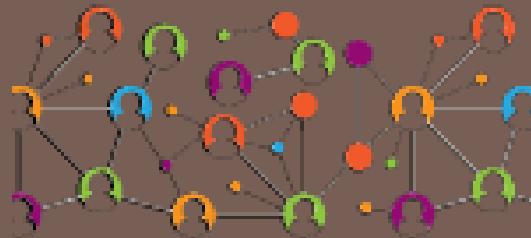
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FestivalofFlavors2016.eventbrite.com

Announcements Continued...

Women Lawyers of Sacramento's
Career Advancement and Retention Committee Presents

Fourth Annual Speed Networking Night



October 20, 2016

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Foundation Restaurant and Bar
400 L Street, Sacramento

RVSP by October 12, 2016 to
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Complementary Appetizers and a Drink Provided

Announcements Continued...

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At DDBWC, we are grateful to work with various non-profit organizations that cultivate the seeds of change through diversity, understanding, and collaboration. In Martin Luther King's words, "*The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends towards justice.*"

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23rd Annual ArtFest

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Women Lawyers of Sacramento (WLS) is pleased to announce the sponsorship opportunities for the 23rd Annual ArtFest. There are five levels of sponsorship, each receiving some level of recognition, as follows:

PLATINUM (\$1,000+)

- Recognition with your business logo in our pre-event advertising, including the WLS website, the *Sacramento Lawyer Magazine*, on fliers, and other event advertising.
- Recognition on the greeting board(s) at the event, in the program at the time of the event, and verbal recognition during the event.
- 3 months of your choice of a half-page advertisement in the WLS Newsletter, distributed to 200+ members.
- 8 tickets to ArtFest.

GOLD (\$500)

- Recognition by name in our pre-event advertising, including the WLS website, the *Sacramento Lawyer Magazine*, on fliers, and other event advertising.
- Recognition on the greeting board(s) at the event, in the program at the time of the event, and verbal recognition during the event.
- 1 month of your choice of a quarter-page advertisement in the WLS Newsletter, distributed to 200+ members.
- 4 tickets to ArtFest.

SILVER (\$350)

- Recognition on the greeting board(s) at the event, in the program at the time of the event, and verbal recognition during the event.
- 3 tickets to ArtFest.

BRONZE (\$150)

- Recognition on the greeting board(s) at the event, in the program at the time of the event, and verbal recognition during the event.
- 2 tickets to ArtFest.

FRIEND OF WLS (\$75)

- Recognition on the greeting board(s) at the event, in the program at the time of the event, and verbal recognition during the event.
- 1 ticket to ArtFest.

Sponsorships are a critical component of the success of WLS' ArtFest. ArtFest is WLS' sole fundraiser to support the WLS Foundation annually. The funds raised from ArtFest allow WLS to award grants to local charities such as A Touch of Understanding, Center for Community Health and Well-Being, Lilliput Children's Services, Elk Grove Homeless Assistance Resource Team, Sierra Forever Families, the True North Project, and Wellspring Women's Center, as well as scholarships to needy law school students, both of which improve our community.

If you would like to be a Platinum or Gold Sponsor and included in our pre-event advertising, please respond by **May 2, 2016**, otherwise we cannot guarantee acknowledgment in our pre-event advertising. We will accept all sponsorships up through the time of the event; however, we cannot guarantee published acknowledgment opportunities on the day of the event for donations received after **September 2, 2016**. Should you have any questions regarding this event or any sponsorship questions, please contact Corrie Manning at (805) 901-1319 or wlsartfest@gmail.com.



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23rd Annual ArtFest Underwriter Response Form

Please include me/my firm as a donor at the following level:

- \$1,000 Platinum Sponsor, includes 8 tickets
- \$500 Gold Sponsor, includes 4 tickets
- \$350 Silver Sponsor, includes 3 tickets
- \$150 Bronze Sponsor, includes 2 tickets
- \$75 Friend of WLS Sponsor, includes 1 ticket

I/We cannot attend but still wish to support the WLS Foundation as a donor with the enclosed
\$_____ contribution to help defray the cost of producing the event.

Name/Firm: _____

Contact Person: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

This year's Artfest will be held on Thursday, September 22, 2016, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at The Verge Center for the Arts, located at 625 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95811.

Please return this form and donation made payable to "WLS Foundation" to:

Kristen Benadom/WLS

c/o FolioDynamix

2399 Gateway Oaks Dr

Sacramento, CA 95833

*In compliance with the Internal Revenue Service guidelines, the full amount of your donation above any benefit received is considered a tax-deductible contribution.

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WOMEN LAWYERS OF SACRAMENTO

Mission Statement: Women Lawyers of Sacramento supports and encourages every woman lawyer in her career aspirations and helps promote a society that places no limits on where a woman's skills and talent can take her. Women Lawyers of Sacramento dedicates itself to (1) promoting the full and equal participation of women lawyers and judges in the legal profession, (2) maintaining the integrity of our legal system by advocating principles of fairness and equal access to justice, (3) improving the status of women in our society and (4) advocating for equal rights, reproductive choice, equal opportunity and pay for women, and current social, political, economic, or legal issues of concern to the members of Women Lawyers of Sacramento.

Foundation Mission Statement: Women Lawyers of Sacramento Foundation is the charitable arm of Women Lawyers of Sacramento. This charitable organization seeks to address the unmet needs of women and children and raises funds to support legal educational opportunities and community programs that satisfy these needs.

Principles: Women Lawyers of Sacramento is premised on the belief that women deserve equal rights, respect and opportunities in the workplace and in society at large. Women Lawyers of Sacramento endeavors to support and enhance the participation and representation of women in significant leadership and management positions in the legal profession. Women Lawyers of Sacramento also strives to eliminate all forms of bias, discrimination, and harassment, including all forms of violence against women and children, and supports diversity in the legal profession, in legal education, and in society in general. We work toward these goals through mentoring, legislative and administrative advocacy, community service, networking, educational seminars, and open forums of discussion focused on advancing and supporting women.

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