



CAL-ABOTA

California Chapters of the
American Board of Trial Advocates

www.cal-abota.org

CAL-ABOTA 2022 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & OFFICERS:

President

Donald W. Carlson
Carlson, Calladine & Peterson
353 Sacramento Street, 16th Fl.
San Francisco, CA 94111-3620
Phone: (415) 391-8141/Cell: (415) 317-3913
Fax: (415) 391-3898
Email: dcarlson@ccplaw.com
Significant Other: Joyce Wang

President Elect

Frank M. Pitre
Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP
839 Malcolm Road, #200
Burlingame, CA 94010
Phone: (650) 697.6000/Cell:
Fax: (650) 697.0577
Email: fpitre@cpmlegal.com
Significant Other: Diane Pitre

Vice President

Greg Rizio
Rizio Lipinsky Law Firm
4193 Flat Rock Dr., Building 300
Riverside, CA 92505
Phone: (951) 781-6500/Cell: (714) 459-5616
Fax: (714) 547-1245
Email: grizio@riziolawfirm.com
Significant Other: Ericka Rizio

Treasurer

Joseph P. McMonigle
Long & Levit, LLP
465 California Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94104
Direct: 415-438-4534/Cell: 415-250-2111
Email: jmcmonigle@longlevit.com
Significant Other: Nancy McMonigle

Immediate Past President - 2021

Walter M. Yoka
Yoka & Smith, LLP
445 South Figueroa Street, 38th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90071
Phone: (213) 427-2300/Cell: (818) 970-2659
Fax: (213) 427-2330
Email: wyo@yokasmith.com
Significant Other: Andrea Yoka

Past President - 2020

Christopher P. Wesierski
Wesierski & Zurek LLP
29 Orchard Road
Lake Forest, CA 92630
Phone: (949) 975-1000/Cell: (714) 814-4195
Fax: (949) 756-0517
Email: cwesi@wzllp.com
Significant Other: Maureen Wesierski

Past President - 2019

Bryan R. Reid
Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith
650 East Hospitality Lane, #600
San Bernardino, CA 92408-3580
Phone: (909) 387-1130/Cell: (951) 323-2594
Fax: (909) 387-1138
Email: breid@lbbbslaw.com
Significant Other: Susan Reid

Executive Director

Jennifer Blevins, CMP
CAL-ABOTA Headquarters
2520 Venture Oaks Way, Suite 150
Sacramento, CA 95833
Phone: (916) 239-4087/Cell: (916) 396-5637
Fax: (916) 924-7323
Email: jennifer@caladmanagement.com
Significant Other: Tom Blevins

CHAPTER LEADERS 2022

CALIFORNIA COAST

President

Roger B. Frederickson
Frederickson Hamilton LLP
755 Santa Rosa Street, Suite 300
San Luis Obispo, California 93401
Phone: (805) 541-4900
Email: Roger@fh-legal.com

Vice President

Brian K. O'Connor
Brian K. O'Connor Attorney at Law
2445 Alamo Pintado Ave., Suite 205-A
Los Olivos, CA 93441
Phone: (805) 367-4498
Fax: (805) 367-4498
Email: bkoesq@gmail.com

Immediate Past President

Hon. Benjamin F. Coats
Ventura County Superior Court
800 S. Victoria Ave.
Ventura, CA 93009
Email: ben.coats@ventura.courts.ca.gov

LOS ANGELES

President

Deborah Chang
Athea Trial Lawyers LLP
Of Counsel, Panish Shea & Boyle LLP
44 Hermosa Avenue
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254
Phone: (310) 421-0011/Cell: (203) 249-3248
Email: deborah@athealaw.com

President-Elect

Christopher E. Faenza
Yoka & Smith, LLP
445 South Figueroa Street, 38th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90071
Phone: (213) 427-2300/Cell: (626) 422-1217
Fax: (213) 427-2330
Email: cfaenza@yokasmith.com
Significant Other: Annette Faenza

Immediate Past President

Michael Schonbuch
Daniels, Fine, Israel, Schonbuch & Lebovits, LLP
1801 Century Park East 9th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90067
Phone: (310) 556-7900
Fax: (310) 556-2807
Email: schonbuch@dfis-law.com
Significant Other: Laurie Julien

ORANGE COUNTY

President

William C. Haggerty
Ford, Walker, Haggerty & Behar LLP
1 World Trade Center, 27th Floor
Long Beach, CA 90831-2700
Phone: (562) 983-2504/Cell: (714) 335-2101
Fax: (562) 590-3546
Email: bill@fwhb.com
Significant Other: Paulette Haggerty

Vice President

Yoshiaki C. Kubota
Kubota & Craig, PC
16530 Bake Parkway, Suite 100
Irvine, California, 92618-4663
Phone: (949) 218-5676
Fax: (949) 218-5679
Email: ykubota@kubotacraig.com

Immediate Past President

Jeff I. Braun
McNeil, Tropp & Braun, LLP
2 Park Plaza, Suite 620
Irvine, CA 92614
Phone: (949) 259-2890/Cell: (949) 874-5941
Fax: (949) 259-2891
Email: jbraun@mtbattorneys.com
Significant Other: Kendall Craver Braun

SACRAMENTO VALLEY

President

Daniel V. Kohls
Hansen Kohls Sommer & Jacob LLP
1520 Eureka Road, Suite 100
Roseville, CA 95661
Phone: (916) 781-2550/Cell: (916) 837-1355
Fax: (916) 781-2550
Email: dkohls@hansenkohls.com
Significant Other: Angela Kohls

Vice President

Letty Litchfield
Law Offices of Letty Litchfield
716 D Street
Marysville, CA 95901
Phone: (530) 673-4616
Fax: (530) 742-8576
Email: litchfieldlaw@att.net

Immediate Past President

Karen M. Goodman
Goodman Law Corporation
3840 Watt Ave., Bldg A
Sacramento, CA 95821
Phone: (916) 643-0600
Email: kgoodman@goodman-law.com
Significant Other: John Goodman

SAN BERNARDINO/RIVERSIDE

President

Hon. John M. Pacheco
San Bernardino Superior Court
303 W. Third Street
San Bernardino, CA 92415
Phone: (951) 237-1497
Email: jpacheco@sb-court.org

Vice President

Steven Geeting
Law Office of Steven C. Geeting
P.O Box 4469
Mission Viejo, CA 92690
Phone: (951) 522-4468
Fax: (951) 788-6387
Email: geetinglaw@geetinglaw.com

Immediate Past President

Margaret M. Warner
1211 E. Quartz Lane
Spokane, WA 99208
Phone: (909) 227-9269
Email: izzard6853@gmail.com
Significant Other: Hon. Chris Warner (Ret.)

SAN DIEGO

President

Stephen C. Grebing
Wingert Grebing Brubaker & Juskie LLP
600 West Broadway, Suite 1200
San Diego, CA 92101
Phone: (619) 232-8151
Fax: (619) 232-4665
Email: sgrebing@wingertlaw.com
Significant Other: Jennifer Grebing

Vice President

Peter M. Hughes
Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP
401 W A Street, Suite 1900
San Diego, CA 92101
Phone: (619) 321-6200
Email: peter.hughes@wilsonelser.com
Significant Other: Nicole Hughes

Immediate Past President

Frederick Schenk
Casey Gerry Schenk Francavilla Blatt & Penfield
LLP
110 Laurel Street
San Diego, CA 92101-1419
Phone: (619) 238-1811
Fax: (619) 544-9232
Email: fschenk@cglaw.com
Significant Other: Shari Schenk

SAN FRANCISCO

President

Niall P. McCarthy
Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP
840 Malcolm Road
Burlingame, CA 94010
Phone: (650) 697-6000
Fax: (650) 692-3606
Email: nmccarthy@cpmlegal.com
Significant Other: Yvonne McCarthy

Vice President

Amee A. Mikacich
Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
One California Street, 18th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111
Phone: (415) 362-6000
Email: AMikacich@hinshawlaw.com

Immediate Past President

Wilma J. Gray
McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Borges & Ambacher
LLP
3480 Buskirk Avenue, Suite 250
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
Phone: (925) 939-5330
Fax: (925) 939-0203
Email: Wilma.Gray@McNamaraLaw.com

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

President

David Moeck
Quinlan, Kershaw & Fanucchi
2125 Merced Street
Fresno, CA 93721
Phone: (559) 268-8771
Fax: (559) 268-5701
Email: david@qkffirm.com

Vice President

William M. White
White Canepa LLC
7690 North Palm Avenue, Suite 105
Fresno, CA 93711
Phone: (559) 439-0800
Fax: (559) 439-0802
Email: wwhite@whitecanepa.com
Significant Other: Georgeanne White

Immediate Past President

Rayma Church
Emerson · Church
802 W. Pinedale Avenue, Suite 104
Fresno, CA 93711-5777
Phone: (559) 432-7641
Fax: (559) 432-7639
Email: rchurch@lawemerson.com
Significant Other: Tom Mulholland

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

Jake Courtney (2022)

ADR Services
1900 Ave of the Stars, Suite 200
Century City, CA 90067
Cell Number: (213) 440-4907
Email: jakekcourtney@gmail.com
Significant Other: Tricia Courtney

Rhonda L. Mallory (2023)

Department of Transportation
4050 Taylor Street MS 130
San Diego, CA 92110
Phone: (619) 688-6126
Email: rhonda.mallory@dot.ca.gov
Significant Other: Michael Mallory

Robert Morgenstern (2024)

Morgenstern Law Group
5850 Canoga Ave, Ste 600
Woodland Hills, CA 91367
Phone: (818) 587-9146
Fax: (818) 587-9147
Email: bob@morgensternlawgroup.com