



There is still time to submit nominations for Excellence in Reporting and the Rolando Award

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**Congratulations to the training committee and training staff for an excellent and full year of training. We trained more grand jurors than ever!**



# Grand Jurors' Journal

## President's Message

*By Tony Noce*

Greetings and Thank You:

I hope you all have had an enjoyable and relaxing summer visiting family and friends far and near. While you were, there was a dedicated group of CGJA volunteer members traveling from one end of the State to the other training the new 2010-2011 County Grand Jurors. Despite a severely depressed economical environment, this group of trainers and their support groups, were able to train more new cost possible to the county say the least. To the Train- and the CGJA membership I



I would like to express the jurors for taking the time our training seminars. I out your year of service the material you were pro- the attendees from the CGJA organization I say Thank You.

ing throughout the year planning, jurors in more locations at the lowest grand jury's budgets. Remarkable to ing Committee from the new jurors say Thank You.

CGJA's appreciation to all the new out of their jury duties to attend know you all will benefit through- from what you have learned and vided as research reference. To all

I would like to recognize all of the new jurors who have taken advantage of the CGJA's new Introductory Membership Program. It is our hope that you will want to continue your support of the grand jury system in the State of California and become a full member after your year of service to your community. Thank you.

I would like to acknowledge all the behind the scenes volunteers who, throughout the year, worked diligently producing the valuable resource materials offered to the membership, jurors, juries and the public including handling the registrations and sales at the regional training sessions. Many of these volunteers have been donating their time performing these tasks for many years. Thank you all.

To all you immediate past jurors, I urge you to seriously consider supporting the CGJA organization. Why? Because we in the State of California are the last preservers of the Grand Jury System as it was meant to be by our forefathers. We need your support whether it be financial dues/donations and/or actively taking part in our many programs.

Why?

If Not You, Who?

If Not Now, When?

I look forward to seeing many of you at the CGJA Annual Conference in San Diego this

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## Meet Director

### Mac Small



Mac Small joined the CGJA Board in April to fill the unexpired term of long-time North Section Representative Sherry Chesny. Mac was appointed following two years as a member of the Nevada County Grand Jury, one as foreman.

A graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, Mac practiced business and securities law, together with non-profit organization formation and governance for nearly 50 years in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Palo Alto and San Jose. He also spent 28 years as an Air Force Reserve Judge Advocate, retiring as a colonel.

A fourth generation Californian, Mac has served as a director, legal counsel and often as president of numerous non-profit organizations focused on the visual arts, classical music, medical care and military retiree benefits. He has also served as a director and chairman of a public services district.

Mac has lectured on securities law, non profit organization governance and military law topics as a part of the California Bar Association Continuing Legal Education program as well as serving as a member of the Executive Committee of the California State Bar Business Law section and chair of its Non-profit Organizations commit

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October 21-22. The San Diego Association has been working hard all year assuring us of a great learning and social experience.

### Important Voting Information for Election of CGJA Directors

All CGJA members-in-good-standing (on record July 31, 2010) will be receiving a ballot mid-late August. Members will receive an envelope with a ballot, biographies of the candidates, and two envelopes inside. Please carefully follow the directions:



**Step One:** Read the biographies and vote for a maximum of two candidates for each region. There will be a space for write-in names.

**Step Two:** Place your marked ballot in the plain envelope (no identifying marks on this envelope please!).

**Step Three:** Place the plain envelope (with your marked ballot inside) in the return envelope, addressed to the League of Women Voters.

**Step Four:** Print your name and place your signature in the space provided on the outer envelope.

**Step Five:** Place appropriate postage on the envelope and mail so that your ballot is received by September 29.

Election results will be announced in San Diego at CGJA's Annual Conference.

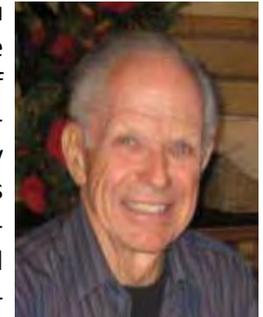
If you are a member-in-good-standing and do not receive your ballot by August 30, please contact Dianne Hoffman, Chair of the Nominations-Elections Committee at 714-892-5557 or by e-mail at cgjamaibox@yahoo.com (in subject line of e-mail, please identify as "CGJA election.")

## Committee Reports

### Public Relations Committee

*By Jerry Lewi, Chair*

I have just returned from two weeks on the road for training (see Training Highlights elsewhere in this issue), so haven't had much time to devote to Public Relations affairs. You will see we are close to formal release of a new DVD promoting the grand jury system as well as serving as a recruiting tool. You will also see how successful our new book, *The California Grand Jury System* has been.



But there is an item needing some clarification: There seems to be some confusion about the *Grand Jury Achievement Report (GJAR)* and the *Excellence in Reporting (EIR)* Awards. They are related and similar, but different. Both seek to acknowledge effective grand jury reports. There are two annual EIR awards, one for grand jury reports and one for media coverage. The GJAR is a database of effective reports over many years that have the additional attribute of proven implementation. Many EIR nominations will qualify for the GJAR and vice-versa.

Sarah Simpson, EIR Chair and I coordinate these activities for maximum benefit. Our website has detailed information on both. Sarah and I are also available for assistance.

Thanks to all who submit candidates for either of these important programs.

#### Help Wanted

**Don't just be a member of CGJA, become a participating member. All committees will welcome your involvement as new people and their ideas is what will keep our organization moving ahead in both educating the public and training grand jurors**

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### Membership Relations Committee News

By Dan Mufson, Chair

Welcome to our new introductory members. Our trainers are the first CGJA members most of you have met; aren't they an impressive team? They spend the month of July moving from site to site around the state to give their experience and enthusiasm to you. During the other eleven months they self critique the program and upgrade it; seek and train new trainers; and perform the myriad of details necessary to deal with the registration details from 58 or so counties!

Over 150 of you joined CGJA as introductory members during our training seminars—from Butte to Yuba County—which I think reflects your positive response to the trainers.



You are now about two months into your term and hopefully beginning to function like a well-oiled investigative machine! In October the CGJA will hold its Annual Conference (AC) in San Diego where we will have a special program for you entitled "Questions I didn't know to ask when I took the training." You will have the opportunity to meet some of your trainers to review topics of interest and to ask questions you didn't know to ask in July. No, they will not write your report but you can sign up for our Report Writing Workshops to be presented later in the fall. Speaking yet further of reports, the CGJA *Excellence in Reporting Awards* for a GJ and for media will be presented at the AC. Counties from around the state are currently submitting reports for consideration

by the team of experienced writing coaches. It will be a great opportunity for you to attend the AC to learn what makes an excellent report.

We hope you're using the Goggle search engine on the CGJA web page to see how other juries have approached a given topic. It will really help you focus your investigation.

Many of you reside in counties where currently we do not have a chapter or association. There are 18 CGJA chapters and four GJ associations around the state. These groups perform many activities throughout the year to support their Court in recruitment and local orientation of jurors. At some point you (after your reports are in the oven) may want to join or start such a group. That's what the MRC is for. Just give us a hint that you're interested and we will help you get started.

The same offer is open to those 20% of our current members who do not live in a county with a GJ organization. We will offer a session at the Annual Conference for you on how to organize your county's jurors. We will also discuss chapter continuity: how to maintain an existing chapter, as many seem to come and go as the members age. Four chapter leaders will discuss how they recently started or revived a chapter.

June and July are big months for membership renewals, which are proceeding well due to Bonnie Kenk's timely notices, and Owen Haxton's follow up. New members continue to join.

All chapters but one have filed their annual tax form 990 with the IRS—making them legal to collect big

donations (hint, hint) for another year. Have you made a tax-deductible contribution lately? Is CGJA mentioned in your will?

The seven Bay Area Chapters are planning a regional workshop in August to discuss organizational and programming issues. If this is as successful as it ought to be, we'll extend the concept.



### Training Highlights

By Jerry Lewi

At press time, the 2010 training season had just about finished. As a trainer I traveled about 2,000 miles and trained at two regional seminars and six "On sites." (A piker compared to Lew Avera.) There were a number of interesting items that I will describe below from my personal experiences.

In San Bernardino, we trained the entire pool of 30 before they were selected. This was a first for us. Their training venue was the best I have seen as it is a regular court training facility that was ideal for our purposes. In San Diego, we trained a jury that had been selected but not sworn.

At Sacramento, always our largest because of the many counties in close proximity, we trained 200 jurors from 17 counties - our largest ever. We were blown away about the ability of the Doubletree Hotel to display our presentations on four screens simultaneously and then convert the displays to individual rooms for our core workshop sessions. This capability simplified our setup process, which is complicated enough.

Another first was training the Inyo and Mono County Grand Juries in

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Bishop. This was made possible by the efforts of Inyo County Judge Dean Stout who attended most of the sessions along with representative of the Court Executive Offices of both counties. These two counties are among those who use 11-person juries and it is helpful to have court personnel to explain some of the unique issues in these juries.

By my rough estimate, 17 trainers travelled over 20,000 miles to support this year's program.

A full report on this year's training will be in the next journal

## AWARDS COMMITTEE

A new standing committee - AWARDS COMMITTEE - has been established by the CGJA Board of Directors. It will be responsible for administering all awards and certificates of recognition approved by the Board of Directors in the future. It will become effective January 1, 2011.

Each award will have a subcommittee and the chairperson of this new committee will report the work of the subcommittees to the Board. At this moment, there exists the Angelo Rolando Memorial Award, the Excel-

lence in Reporting Workgroup and the Jack Zepp Lifetime Achievement Award (currently without either a committee or a workgroup guiding it) and the newly conceived Local Achievement Award as well as Certificates of Recognition.

The fledgling Awards Committee consists of 6 members, Owen Haxton, Sarah Simpson, Meredith Avery, Keith North, Richard Matheron and Betty J. Mattea. South, Central and North sections are represented with these members and it is our plan to have the Board's approval to be operational by January 1, 2011.

## Excellence in Reporting Award

By Sarah Simpson

The August 15 deadline for submissions for the 2010 Excellence in Reporting Award is rapidly approaching. But due to a slight delay in Journal delivery, the deadline has been extended one week to August 22. The goal this year is to have at least one submission from each county. There are two categories for submission, one for News Media, the other the Grand Jury Report.

For the News Media category, please submit a nomination letter describing how the news media reporting increased awareness of the grand jury institution, or increased awareness in the community of a Grand Jury investigation, and in what way the community benefited from the investigation. Include published reports supporting the nomination, as well as the [nomination form found on our website.](#)

For the Grand Jury Report category, please submit a nomination letter introducing the investigative report and explain the rationale for eligibility for the EIR award. Also include the investigative report, documentation indicating public and media support, and documentation verifying the success of the investigation in addition to the nomination form.

Submissions can be made to EIR Chairperson, Sarah Simpson, at [sarah.simpson@comcast.net](mailto:sarah.simpson@comcast.net) or to President Tony Noce, [cgjaguy@yahoo.com](mailto:cgjaguy@yahoo.com).

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*Editors note: We welcome this article as the initial submission from a newly affiliated former grand jurors association. We look forward to more interaction with this group.*

**It finally happened -  
Judge Authorizes  
Six Holdovers!**

*By Burrel Woodring, President, San Bernardino County Past Grand Jurors Association*

After many years, and many requests by prior San Bernardino County Grand Jurors, the presiding judge has held over



six jurors from the 2009-2010 Panel. Apparently the judge was convinced that the jurors were involved in an important investigation that needed to be continued. All former Grand Jurors can remember investigations that died because a judge would not allow holdovers and no one on the incoming Grand Jury was knowledgeable enough to continue the ongoing investigation. Our hats are off to the 2009-2010 Panel for this ground-breaking achievement. It will mean many changes in the future for San Bernardino Grand Jurors.



**2010 Annual Conference** *By Meredith Avery, Conference Chair*

**PRELIMINARY ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

**Doubletree Hotel, San Diego**

**October 21-22, 2010**

**THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 21, 2010**

- 9:00 Conference Convened by CGJA Pres. Tony Noce & Conf. Chair Meredith Avery
- 9:15 Welcome by San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders
- 9:30 Remarks from Presiding Judge Kevin A. Enright
- 9:45 Panel this panel will deal primarily with options for delivery of GJ reports to City and County Agencies (successes and failures)
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 Open Forum/Report to Membership
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:15 Panel - Building Chapters and Training Continued, to be led by Dan Mufson
- 2:15 Excellence in Reporting Awards
- 3:15 Break
- 3:30 Panel- Media Relations focusing on what inspires media to publicize certain reports and not others (they will receive three question packet to address before Q&A)
- 4:00 Close meeting

**THURSDAY EVENING**

- 5:00 Cocktails with musical accompaniment
- 6:00 Dinner followed by presentation of Angelo Rolando award Walter Ekard, San Diego County Administrative Officer (tentative)

**FRIDAY MORNING**

- 7:00 Breakfast meetings for GJ coordinators/Chapter & Assoc. Presidents (continental breakfast will start at 7:00 and run through mid morning-meetings held in ballroom before 9:00 start)
- 9:00 Welcome
- 9:10 Panel -Legal Issues for the CGJA and Grand Juries
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Speaker, San Diego County Sheriff William D. Gore
- 12:00 Closing and Adjournment

**Please check our website for more conference information including the registration form**

## CGJA Chapters Reports and Chapters in the News

### Kern County Chapter

*By Lawrence J. Walker, President*

On July 15, 2010 lifetime member and past president Stan Harper hosted the Kern County Chapter summer social. Over fifty guests attended. The theme was to thank the past 2009-2010 jurors for their service and to welcome the new 2010-2011 grand jurors.

The event was attended by many community leaders which included the District Attorney Elect, Assistant District Attorney, Chief Investigator, District Attorney Investigator to the grand jury, City Councilman, Kern Co. Treasurer, Tax Collector, former County Supervisor as well as many past and present grand jurors.

The event was covered by a local TV station and the Bakersfield Life Magazine, which will include coverage of the social in their forthcoming August 2010 issue. A good time was had by all.

The Chapter is busy renewing membership as well as recruiting new members and will be supporting the CGJA regional training session being held in Visalia with a group of volunteer helpers.

On June 24, 2010 the County of Kern released their 2009-2010 Grand Jury and installed their 2010-2011 Grand Jury. The new jury is the counties 94<sup>th</sup> Grand Jury. Holdover Richard Frank was selected as the foreperson by the Hon. Judge Lewis.



### Humboldt County Chapter

*By Irene E. Stidston*

On July 7, 2010, the Humboldt County Chapter of CGJA premiered its recently completed grand jury recruitment DVD. The DVD, produced and directed by outgoing Chapter President, Keath North, was a collaboration between a local public television production team, past and current GJA members, and other community members. The five minute DVD focuses on the duties and responsibilities of grand jury members, and the positive contributions of county grand juries in California. The DVD was made to be generic enough to be used in any of the state's 58 counties. The premiere event, held in Eureka, included an award given to Mr. North for his vision and completion of the DVD project, as well as the other contributions he made to the grand jury system while serving as president of the local Chapter.



*Past CGJA President Pat Yeomans, LA Chapter President John Hackney and CGJA President Tony Noce*

### Los Angeles County Chapter

On June 18, 2010 President Tony Noce accompanied by his daughter Donna attended the Los Angeles Chapter of the California Grand Jurors' Association's Annual Reunion Luncheon which featured the Installation of Directors and Officers for 2010-2012. Supervising Judge Peter Espinoza also gave a presentation regarding the Status of the Courts. New President elect John Hackney will take over the reigns from Past President Bill Selditz for the next two years. It was an enjoyable event for all those who attended.

***Comments from Al Smith, President and CEO of the Greater Fresno Chamber of Commerce before the annual meeting of the Fresno County Grand Jury Association – June 15, 2010***

Thanks for the opportunity to be with you today.

As some of you know, after retiring from broadcasting in 2004, I had the pleasure of serving on the Grand Jury in 2005-2006 year but had to drop out mid term when I accepted a full time position as CEO of the Fresno Chamber of Commerce.

I know I am preaching to the choir when I state how rewarding that experience was. I made some new relationships that I hold dear even today – we took our mission seriously in being a watchdog group of government – investigating civil matters – and offering recommendations as to how to improve governance.

We tackled many issues – many that are still with us some five years later – government employee retirement benefits – use, or as some might say the misuse, of public money as a stimulant for private investments – downtown revitalization.

In spite of the best efforts - some things never change.

When I mention to people that I served on the grand jury, I get a number of reactions – opinions and questions. The topics deal with such issues as:

Are the people serving represent a good cross section of the community.

Is there a fair balance of demographics – all age segments represented - or is that necessary?

Is there a fair balance psycho graphically – gender and ethnicity represented. Is that necessary?

Is the selection process confined to just “those in the know” or “those connected” or does the average citizen have any input into who serves.

Good thoughts that probably need to be addressed.

I think we all must admit that member of the jury tends to come from those people who are not employed and/or retired.

They seem to be the only ones with the time available under the current format – 40 to 80 hours per month meeting in a brick and mortar building in downtown Fresno -

Just the formation of this organization attempts to address some of these issues. You have structured projects to publicize the jury to attract quality participants. You are working on a Speakers Bureau to educate the public. However, is that enough?

In this era of twitter, Facebook, and internet is there another more efficient way to design the Grand Jury approach.

What is the model going forward and should someone be addressing that? Should the jury investigate itself?

Maybe it is time for a exploration committee made up of the judiciary, former GJ participants, academia, the business community, civic and social organizations – to analyze whether nineteen people with time on their hands - should continue to meet 40 to 80 hours per month in a room in some government building.

But the question is.... with our society flooded with technology – with I-Pads, cell phones, the internet - is there another way to implement the Grand Jury process- with maybe a shorter time commitment, or a different method for exchanging the necessary information – that would allow for a broader representation from the public but continuing doing the necessary research and still being able to develop educated conclusions?

Maybe we should just ask a thirteen year old to organize it. They are wizards at the new technology

It certainly is worth thinking about, if you haven't already. Because the need for an effective Grand Jury has never been greater than it is today.

And here's why.

Most of us have heard about the fourth estate. The *Fourth Estate* is a term referring to the press.

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In this sense - the term reportedly goes back to a coining by [Edmund Burke](#) during a parliamentary debate in 1787. The occasion was the opening up of "press" reporting - of the [House of Commons](#) in England.

Burke said there were Three Estates in Parliament; but, "in the Reporters' Gallery yonder" – as he put it - there sat a Fourth Estate – far more important than them all.<sup>[3]</sup>

The reporters....the press.

Forever, civilization has looked at the press – and entities like the Grand Jury - to act at the watchdogs of government.

But as we look forward, some disturbing things are happening to the fourth estate.

We mentioned earlier entities like Facebook, twitter, internet. Common ideas are being perpetuated via these vehicles as fact – with little challenging – and without much research to back it up.

In Sunday's paper there was an example regarding Fox news columnist Bill O'Reilly – when he appeared on the television show, The View and when he was asked why his views were more valuable than any given over the internet – he responded he has a staff of 15 researchers who are getting to the bottom of complicated questions.

The old news and press models are changing. There's that word again.

Gone are the days of only one or two newspapers in a city – three networks giving up newscasts each evening.

Now we get our news from blogs; websites; cable television shows.

Newspaper readership is down.

On my I-Phone - I now get notices of news stories all day long from things called Fluent News – the internet – so by the time I get home and turn on the evening news, I seen all those stories.

I spent forty-seven years in broadcasting. I can tell you that when you hear or see a news story on KMJ or Ch. 30 or whatever your local broadcast news preference might be, the majority of those news stories originated from the 150 reporters that USE to work for the Fresno Bee.

Today the size of the paper is reduced by over 50%. The numbers of reporters is down to less than 70 covering all aspects from local news, to business news, to sports to social. The research pool is diminishing. The eyes that we have relied on to look over government's shoulder are getting cataracts.

And there's another thing is happening in the news business. We mention the press being the fourth estate. Now there is discussion of a Fifth Column

It seemed that more and more of today's media is not there to report the happenings – but more and more to shape opinion.

George Haddad, a noted sociologist and frequent writer of medical, social and political issues - tells the story of a time when he was presiding over a [high school career day](#) and one of the seniors stated that she wanted to become a journalist, because – in her words – "I want to save the world"

Now there was a time - in this honored profession - that the cardinal principals of journalism in developing a story - was to be inquisitive in determining the - What – When – Where -Why – and How.

Today, journalism schools are churning out - world savers and world changers - instead of reporters. It is hard to find a news story without the editorializing of the reporter.

We have all witness television news anchors – not commentators like Bill O'Reilly - but purportedly news reporters - lift an eyebrow, or slant a story.

Haddad pointed out that as early as the 1890's William Randolph Hearst and Joseph Pulitzer began modifying the news stories to support their own opinions and developing untruths in stories, in order to sell papers.

And that continues with most media today.

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You may remember that there were two writers for “two of America’s top papers” the prestigious New York Times and USA Today, - Jayson Blair and Jack Kelley - who were actually writing fiction and were presenting it as fact.

Bill Moyers – from PBS – not one of my favorite reporters – one who I too thinks he is more about shaping the news than reporting it – did point out one thing we can agree on.

He stated, “Our dominant media are ultimately accountable only to corporate boards whose mission is not - life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness – but the enhancement for corporate executives and shareholders.”

“These organizations self styled mandate” – he goes on to say – “is not to hold public and private power accountable, but to aggregate their interlocking interests. Their reward is not to help fulfill the social compact embodied in the notion of “We, the People” but to manufacture news and information as profitable consumer commodities.”

The fourth estate is in jeopardy. Fewer people are covering the stories and many who are - are creating the news from a selfish standpoint.

Which is why today Grand Jury is more important now – than ever before.

Whether we keep the current model, or search for improved ways to continue oversight, our system must continue to support a body of public citizens to analyze critique and recommend for a better government.

It is the actions of Grand Jury’s which can continue to - ensure the proper use of public funds – the transparency necessary to continue and develop credibility in our government’s actions - and as one of your former Foreman stated, “the Grand Jury’s oversight is the best hope that government will operate in an honest, efficient and effective manner, in spite of elected officials” That’s harsh. Richard

But - allow a void to exist in being the watchdog of government - and you can rest assured government will take advantage of it. Maybe not intentionally, but without oversight, we all get sloppy.

Some have said if journalism goes, so goes democracy. The same might be said for Grand Juries.

The system of checks and balances is a part of our Constitution. It guarantees that no part of the government becomes too powerful

Lenin once stated, “Why should freedom of speech and freedom of the press be allowed. Why should a government - which is doing what it believes is right - allow itself to be criticized.

Thomas Jefferson wrote, “Were we directed - by our communications media - as to when to sow, and when to reap – we should soon want for bread.”

Between the ever expansion of the three estates of government and the weakening of the fourth estate, the press – With all of this on the horizon, I say, “Long Live the Grand Jury”

### Additional Committees Identified

In addition to the five standing committees listed in the Journal on a regular basis, we are providing contact information for several other ad hoc committees that you may have some interest in contacting. Some have articles in this issue, others will report from time to time.

Committee	Chair	Phone	Email	County
Nominations-Elections	Dianne Hoffman	(714) 892-5557	<a href="mailto:cqjaimailbox@yahoo.com">cqjaimailbox@yahoo.com</a>	Orange
Angelo Rolando Award	Betty J. Mattea	(415) 492-8857	<a href="mailto:bjmattea@sonic.net">bjmattea@sonic.net</a>	Marin
Grant Writing	Ed O’Neill	(559) 224-2000	<a href="mailto:edoneill@oneillfarming.com">edoneill@oneillfarming.com</a>	Fresno
Excellence in Reporting	Sarah Simpson	(707) 967-9539	<a href="mailto:sarah.simpson@comcast.net">sarah.simpson@comcast.net</a>	Napa
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2010 Annual Conference	Meredith Avery	(760) 731-9215	<a href="mailto:mlavery1@live.com">mlavery1@live.com</a>	San Diego

### California Grand Jurors Association 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

October 21 & 22, 2010

#### REGISTRATION FORM

Doubletree \*Club\* Hotel, 1515 Hotel Circle So., San Diego, Ca. 92108

Conference rates are \$95.00/day (single or double)

Make room reservations directly with hotel (619) 881-6900

**Mention CGJA Annual Conference for \$95.00 rate**

(Reservations must be made by Oct. 7, 2010 to guarantee \$95.00 rate)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ St.: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

AFFILIATION: CGJA Member  Chapter Member  Assn. Member  Associate Member   
Sitting Grand Juror  Court Representative  Other  Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION: Conference Attendance \$60.00/person # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DINNER: Thursday, Oct. 21, 2010 \$35.00/person # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHOICES: Tri-tip w/demi glace  Wine Country Chicken  Pasta Primavera w/Veg.

LUNCH: Thurs. Oct. 21, 2010/MISSION VALLEY DELI BUFFET

AND

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST: Fri., Oct. 22, 2010 \$40.00/person # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Price includes beverage service 8:00a.m – noon

#### TOTAL PAYMENT DUE

(excluding hotel room, which attendees book directly with hotel)= \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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### Summary of Board Action

By Joann Landi



#### Summary of June 22, 2010 Board action

Ratified appointment of Betty Mattea as Chair of

the CGJA Standing Awards Committee



The dates for the Annual Conference in San Diego are now confirmed as October 21-22, 2010 Please watch our website and future issues for more Information

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tee. He is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court and the United States Court of Military Appeals.

His last position, before retirement in 2005, was as co-founder and CEO of the Silicon Valley Law Group, a San Jose business law firm.

Mac is married to author Mel Walsh and between them they have six children and twelve grandchildren.

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