



CGJA News - September 2017

A message from the President

On behalf of the CGJA Board of Directors, I would like to welcome all new and returning members, especially those who are also serving as grand jurors this year. It is our mission and desire to provide you with valuable information throughout your term in addition to the training that you have just received. And we hope it will lead to a long-term relationship where you will continue your membership and find ways to contribute your knowledge and skills to CGJA in its effort to support the California grand jury system. We do appreciate your membership.

In order to keep you up-to-date about the news of our association, we will be sending you our bimonthly Grand Jurors' Journal. On the months when we don't publish the Journal, we will send out emails with the latest news from CGJA. Throughout the year, we also email additional messages to sitting jurors with timely tips. We do, however, promise not to deluge you with too much information during your busy year.

We hope all members, new and old, plan to join us in Monterey on October 29-30 at our 37th Annual Conference. We have an exciting program planned. Featured speakers are Judge Steven Jahr (retired), who will speak on a judge's perspective about grand juries; Jim Mellander, Foreperson, 2016-17 Contra Costa County Grand Jury, who will talk about the accusation that the grand jury brought against the county's district attorney – forcing his resignation; and David Eyster, District Attorney, Mendocino County, whose topic will be "Marijuana, the California Conundrum," a timely topic for all counties.

Our conference will be at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Monterey Bay Seaside on the beautiful and historic Monterey Peninsula. The hotel has been recently refurbished and features a complimentary breakfast and evening complimentary cocktail hour for registered guests

Full details about the conference, including a registration application, are on

our website under [Member Business/Annual Conference](#).

We look forward to seeing all members, jurors and their guests at our conference.

Andi Winters
President

Lloyd Bell
Vice-President and Annual Conference Chair

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