

PRE 1999 CGJA ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

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Open Podium Synopsis: Open discussion (4 hours) examining training, constraints report responses, independent counsel, selection process, web sites, two grand juries, domineering officials, newsprint reports, budgets foreperson selection, public awareness and other musing (8 page summary).

1. 1998 CGJA Conference Proceedings (Partial), San Diego (88 pgs) \$12.00

Includes transcripts of the following presentations:

Open Podium Synopsis: Summary of open discussion on varied topics including grand jury efficiencies, continuity between grand juries, implementation committees, grand jury jurisdiction, juror selection, juror training and the Accusation procedure.

Dan Taranto, President, CGJA: Setting the Stage; a review and commentary on CGJA developments. **Dan Taranto:** Report from Sacramento

James F. Kelly, Jr., 1997-98 Foreperson, San Diego Grand Jury: Investigating the DA and Hiring Outside Counsel.

Judge Lawrence J. Sterling, San Diego County, Banquet Speaker with remarks on criminal justice system and county institutions.

2. 1997 CGJA Conference Proceedings, Asilomar (80 pgs) \$15.00

Includes transcripts of the following presentations:

Senator Quentin L. Kopp: The important role of the California regular grand jury.

Jeannine English, Executive Director, Little Hoover Commission: The composition, role and mandate. Is the Little Hoover Commission like a state grand jury? Many states have state grand juries, not in California.

Gerald Uelmen, Professor, Santa Clara School of Law: History and use of the civil grand jury, the evolution of the additional criminal grand jury, views on the grand jury role in the O.J. Simpson case.

Scott Thorp, Deputy Attorney General: The Role of the A.G. vis-à-vis the California grand jury system, with an extensive audience question and answer transpiration.

Jerry Coleman, California District Attorney's Association Legislation Committee: Overview of the dual grand jury system, new grand jury legislation, challenges to grand jury selection and composition, with Q & A.

Mike Tozzi, former Judicial Council Member: The role of the Judicial Council and the process of establishing rules of court.

3. 1996 CGJA Conference Proceedings, Los Angeles (28 pages) \$8.00

Honorable Judge Aurelio Munoz, Problems brewing with grand juror selection process and the need for empanelling the additional criminal grand jury in Los Angeles County.

Is the Grand Jury a Tool of the District Attorney or an Independent Body?

A panel discussion with two L.A. district attorney grand jury advisors, counter point with two advocates for grand jury independence - summary.

Grand Juror Liability: Can grand jurors be sued? A [panel Discussion with Kern County and L.A. County Counsels regarding juror liability.

Open Podium Synopsis: And energetic wide ranging discussion of many aspects of grand jury issues including the dual grand jury system, the SYLLABUS Generic Handbook, local grand jury support and constraints, SB 1457, reports of county groups local activities.

4. 1995 CGJA Conference Proceedings, Sacramento (35 pgs) \$15.00

Includes transcripts of the following presentations:

Honorable Stephen L. Mock, Role of the Presiding Judge, court cooperation to assure considerate report responses, procedure utilizing cover letters from the judge and follow-up letters as needed.

Dr. Blain Lamb, Archivist, California State Archives: Archiving and Indexing Grand Jury Reports"

Dr. Donald Walker, Historical Librarian, University of the Pacific: "Archiving and Indexing Grand Jury Reports", value of grand jury reports to the historical record of local events, discovery of poorly kept county report files.

Constraints to the Grand Jury process, panel discussion with summary list of constraints.

Role of Grand Jury Associations - Local vs. State, panel discussion summary.

Role of the Grand Jury Foreperson, panel discussion summary: "facilitator not dictator".

Standardizing the official comments on grand jury reports. panel discussion summary

Open Podium Synopsis: Summary of open discussion focusing upon the role of the presiding judge, the second criminal grand jury, juror liability, and grand jury training.

5. 1994 CGJA Conference Proceedings, Ventura (28 pgs) \$6.00

Includes transcripts of the following presentations:

Honorable James P. Cloninger, Ventura Municipal Court

"Civil Oversight Functions and Responsibilities of the Grand Jury" places great importance in the function of the California grand jury in our system of government, the authority to get access to all public records, to subpoena witnesses, accusation of public officials, investigation of public prisons, non-profits corporations, redevelopment agencies, and much more.

Michael D. Bradbury, Ventura Co. District Attorney

"Revising the Institution of the Grand Jury" Grand Jury is needed more now than ever before, the foreperson should be elected, better training for new jurors, second criminal grand juries, should be empanelled, civil oversight role more important than criminal indictment role, and more.

6. 1993 CGJA Conference Proceedings, Concord (41 pgs) \$6.00

Includes transcripts of the following presentations:

CIVIL vs. CRIMINAL GRAND JURYFORUM, the 1991 passage of AB 607 (PC 904.6) provides each county court discretion to empanel a second grand jury.

Honorable Richard Patsy, Superior Court, Contra Costa County; historical perspective- Hawkins - Prop115 - AB 607, the differences in the roles and the selection methods of the two grand juries, grand jury service is valuable.

Len LeTellier, Jury Commissioner: Contra Costa County implements a smooth procedure for empanelling the second grand jury, notes distinctions between regular vs. criminal grand jury selection processes.

Hal Jewett, District Attorney , Contra Costa County: successful implementation of P>C. 904.6 enables frequent use of the "criminal" grand jury without disturbing the "regular " grand jury's civic oversight activities.

James Lough, City Attorney for City of Fresno, former Humboldt County Counsel: Civil & criminal functions are both strengthened by the dual grand jury system. P.C. 904.6 for the additional grand jury and Rule 17 of the Standards of Judicial Administration for selection of a voluntary regular grand jury.

Stephen Phipps, Friends of California Civil Grand Jury: Most important function of the grand jury is civil oversight. Under the new laws the grand jury is its own boss and should seldom be utilized by a prosecutor for criminal indictments.

TOP 10 CONSTRAINTS TO THE GRAND JURY SYSTEM, Panel of jurors summarize with audience participation to identify the top ten constraints.

ROLE OF GRAND JURORS' ASSOCIATIONS, panel of association representatives list activities appropriate for county and state associations.

CALL TO ACTION: Five programs for development adopted including the generic handbook project(SYLLABUS); the grand jury reports indexing project (GRIP).

7. 1982 CGJA Workshop Proceedings, San Diego (6 pgs) \$3.00

**REPORT ON THE THREE DAY WORKSHOP THAT LED TO THE FORMATION OF THE
CGJA**, by Dr. Richard G. Lillard

A report of the deliberations on such subjects as the purposes and functions of a state organization, selection of grand jurors, education of judges and the public about grand juries, effective implementation of grand jury recommendations, increased member activity within organizations of former grand jurors and more. This is the CGJA equivalent of the records of the U.S. Constitutional Convention. .