



## CALIFORNIA DUI LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

# AMP Masterclass: Botched Blood Draws and Suppression

A CDLA Masterclass Program

Friday, February 20 & Saturday, February 21, 2026

California Desert Trial Academy  
College of Law  
45-290 Fargo Street  
Indio, CA 92201



*Master how to win AMP suppression motions in all critical scenarios—when only the officer testifies, when the DA's phlebotomist takes the stand, and when a defense expert is called to challenge the blood draw evidence.*

The California DUI Lawyers Association presents the first exclusive, in-person masterclass on suppressing blood evidence in DUI cases—focused on Fourth Amendment violations due to failure to follow accepted medical practices. On February 20–21, 2026, at the California Desert Trial Academy College of Law in Indio, this elite day-and-a-half program will feature top defense attorneys who will reveal techniques that consistently deliver successful outcomes.

Attendees will learn how to identify legal and medical flaws in blood draw procedures, obtain and use expert-driven discovery, craft suppression motions, question witnesses, and make compelling arguments—all while training inside the law school's fully equipped courtroom environment.

Designed for serious defenders seeking advanced, practical training, this seminar blends high-level instruction with dynamic, real-world AMP motion hearing demonstrations. Attendees will watch a nurse conduct a live proper blood draw and observe three live hearings with attorneys, a retired officer, and an expert playing key roles.

Participants will then put their knowledge to work in hands-on workshops using actual case studies and will analyze blood draw video evidence. This unique combination of legal instruction, expert insight, courtroom simulation, and practical application makes this one of CDLA's most valuable and impactful programs—an essential event for lawyers dedicated to mastering AMP-based blood suppression litigation.

***This Masterclass program is limited to twenty (20) people.***

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026

- 12:00 - 1:00 pm Arrival & Check-In
- 1:00 - 1:10 pm Welcome & Program Overview
- 1:10 - 2:00 pm Lecture: The Law of Blood Draw Suppression
- 2:00 - 2:45 pm Demo: *Cuevas* Scenario - Officer Testifies
- 2:45 - 3:35 pm Workshop: Case Study & *Cuevas* Hearing Practice
- 3:35 - 3:50 pm Break
- 3:50 - 4:55 pm Debrief & Panel Discussion
- 4:55 - 5:00 pm Closing Notes for the Day/Preview of Day 2

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026

- 8:00 - 8:30 am Arrival & Check-In
- 8:30 - 8:45 am Morning Kickoff & Review of Day 1
- 8:45 - 9:30 am Expert Lecture on AMP & Live Blood Draw
- 9:30 - 10:30 am Demo: Prosecution's Phlebotomist Testifies
- 10:30 - 10:45 am Break
- 10:45 - 11:45 am Workshop: Case Study & Dealing With Phlebotomist Testimony
- 11:45 - 12:30 am Lunch (provided)
- 12:30 - 1:00 pm Lecture: Using the Blood Draw Video Effectively
- 1:00 - 1:30 pm Video Issue Spotting Discussion & Workshop
- 1:30 - 2:30 pm Demo: Defense Expert Testifies (Nurse)
- 2:30 - 2:45 pm Break
- 2:45 - 3:45 pm Workshop: Full Case Study — Building a Case for Suppression
- 3:50 - 4:50 pm Final Synthesis & Group Discussion
- 4:50 - 5:00 pm Closing Remarks

## REGISTRATION & COST

CDLA is offering attendees a discount for registration on or before by January 20, 2026.

	BY JANUARY 20, 2026	JANUARY 20 – FEB 20, 2026
CDLA MEMBERS	\$1,750	\$2,000
NON-CDLA MEMBERS *	\$2,200	\$2,500

\*Non-CDLA members are encouraged to join CDLA. Once approved, they may then register using the lower member cost. CDLA's annual dues for General Attorneys are only \$200 and \$100 for Public Defenders.

## REGISTRATION LINK

<https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/amp.masterclass>

## MATERIALS

Participants will receive the following materials:

- Sample motions and briefs on key legal issues regarding accepted medical practices challenges, including motions and briefs in cases where the blood draw is conducted under a warrant.
- Copies of authoritative sources regarding the medically appropriate manner in which to draw blood, including the GP-41 and World Health Organization Phlebotomy Protocol.
- Copies of transcripts and recordings from past successful AMP hearings.
- Selected law enforcement phlebotomy manuals.

## LODGING

Attendees are responsible for arranging overnight accommodation. There are many excellent and affordable hotels in Indio, Palm Springs, and other neighboring cities. The confirmation email will include a list of nearby hotels.

## CLE

The week following the seminar, attendees will receive a Certificate of Attendance for 11 CLE credit hours.

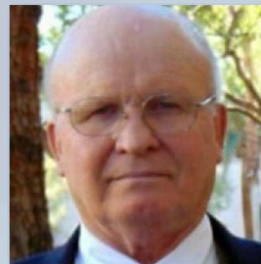
## PRESENTERS:



**LARA GRESSLEY**



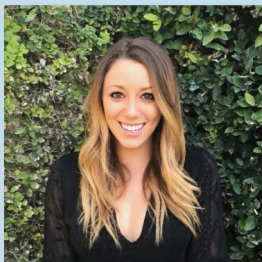
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