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# JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER

## 1.) FREE, LIVE, MCLE JUNE "LUNCH & LEARN" WEBINAR

DATE: Tuesday, June 4, 2024  
TIME: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
PRESENTER: **Lucy McAllister**  
TOPIC/PROGRAM: *Defending Professional Licenses in California: Crossover Cases Involving Drug & Alcohol Issues*  
MCLE: 1.0 Credit Hour  
COORDINATOR: Dr. Roger Andersen, CDLA Executive Director  
COST: FREE!  
REGISTRATION LINK: <https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/defending-professional-licenses>

### WEBINAR OVERVIEW:

In this webinar, attorney Lucy S. McAllister will explain how to determine the best solution for professional licensing issues related to clients with drug or alcohol issues. Attorney McAllister will discuss procedures and strategies involved with defending clients trying to obtain or retain their professional who are looking to avoid discipline, such as suspension or revocation of their license. The issues and strategies are applicable to any client who is professionally licensed including nurses (both registered nurses and licensed vocational nurses), psychotherapists, contractors, real estate agents and brokers, insurance salespersons and agents, medical doctors, psychologists, and many other types of professionals in California.

### PRESENTER:

Lucy S. McAllister J.D. is an experienced, proactive and diligent license defense lawyer, representing professionals across multiple industry sectors throughout the State of California. She has over 30 years of administrative legal experience and over 30 years of criminal legal experience. Attorney McAllister has a track record of proven success and will work vigorously to determine the best solution for her client's professional licensing issue. Lucy can speak to what the criminal defense

attorney is doing and how those choices can either positively or negatively influence either or both the criminal case as well as the administrative case

Since 1988, she has represented hundreds of individuals either trying to obtain their professional license for the first time or who are looking to avoid discipline, such as the suspension or revocation of their license. She has represented teachers, nurses (both registered nurses and licensed vocational nurses), psychotherapists, contractors, real estate agents and brokers, insurance salespersons and agents, medical doctors, psychologists, and many other types of professionals in California. Lucy McAllister helps clients resolve their legal issues in as timely and discreet a manner possible to help preserve their livelihood and have them back in practice as soon as possible.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- Brief presentations from our Sponsors will be held prior to the start of this webinar.
- This program will be added to CDLA's Learning Management System.
- 20 CDLA webinars are now available on-demand 24/7 via our website
- Lucy's PowerPoint presentation will be sent to all attendees along with a Certificate of Attendance (1.0 credit hour) and a brief evaluation survey.

Please contact me with any questions registering for this webinar - or any CDLA membership issue!

## **2.) WEBINARS AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND**

The June 2024 CDLA Webinar – ***DOING BATTLE WITH THE DMV*** - presented by **Mike Donaldson** is now available for viewing 24/7 on-demand via our website.

- **Doing Battle with the DMV – RECENTLY ADDED!**
- Chemical Breath Test Machines
- Field Sobriety Tests: Fact, Fiction, or Voodoo Economics
- THC/Cannabis: Recognizing Impairment
- DUI Forensics: How to Support Your Expert and Discredit the State Charlatan
- Head Trauma, Comprehensive and Intoxication: What to Look for in every Case
- California Primer for DUI & Criminal Defense Attorneys
- Ethics & Diversity in Your Legal Practice
- Human Factors
- Miranda & DUI with Lara Gressley
- Cross Examination of the State's Expert
- DUI Drugs Webinar Part 1: Pharmacology Expert
- DUI Drugs Webinar Part 2: Drug Recognition Evaluation (DRE)
- DUI Drugs Webinar Part 3: Blood Analysis for Drugs
- Effective Opening Statements
- All Things AMP (Accepted Medical Practices)!
- Victim Restitution
- The Rule-Out Method of Criminal Defense: A Game Changer
- Effective Legal Writing for Attorneys
- How to Challenge the THC Evidence in Every Case

After your sign in to your account on the CDLA website:

**1.) MEMBER LOGIN**

**2.) ON-DEMAND WEBINARS**

**3.) COURSE LIST**

**4.) DETAILS**

**5.) SELECT THE COURSE YOU WANT TO VIEW**

IMPORTANT NOTES

- A copy of the presentation, supplementary information, instructor bio, and a link to the assessment will also appear.
- Once you have watched (at least 90% of) the webinar and completed the assessment (with a 70%+ passing grade), you will "automatically" receive a Certificate of Attendance and MCLE credit via email.
- Print the Certificate, complete the bottom portion of this form, and retain a copy for your files.

Please contact me if you have difficulty accessing any of these presentations or do not receive your **MCLE Certificate of Attendance** after successfully completing any program.

**3.) NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS IN MAY**

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
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#### **4.) SOFT REMINDER: LISTSERV GUIDELINES & ETIQUETTE**

Since we have added many new members in 2024, allow me to remind everyone of some important guidelines and CDLA "etiquette" using our vibrant listserv:

- Always include a signature block or at least a contact (email and/or phone) when initiating or responding to a message.
- Defamatory, abusive, profane, threatening, offensive, unethical, sexually graphic or explicit material, or illegal language are prohibited.
- Personal ad hominem attacks of members are also prohibited.
- All posts should contain information in the subject line that identifies it so those for whom it has no application can simply delete or ignore it without wasting time by opening and reading it.
- Matters posted on the listserv are confidential and may not be repeated or republished without the express permission of the person who posted the information.
- Be brief without being overly terse. "Be conservative in what you send and liberal in what you receive."
- Do not use the listserv to ask general CDLA-related questions ("When is the next webinar?" Are CDLA programs open to non-members?" etc.) Please contact me directly if you have any questions or need information about a CDLA program, service, dues, etc.
- In the case of violations of our listserv guidelines, Listserv Moderator (Caption Motion) **Michael Kennedy (capmotion@earthlink.net)** is authorized to warn or suspend/remove a member from the listserv for a specified period of time.

Please contact either Michael Kennedy or me if you have any questions.

#### **5.) HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE 2024 ANNUAL KUWATCH CONFERENCE?**

CDLA's annual conference will be held on **Friday, August 2 & Saturday, August 3, 2024** in San Francisco at the Hyatt Centric at Fisherman's Wharf where we will celebrate our 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary!



**DATES:** Friday, August 2 and Saturday, August 3, 2024

**VENUE:** Hyatt Centric at Fisherman's Wharf - San Francisco

**REGISTRATION:** <https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/2024-annual-conference>

**MCLE:** 9.5 MCLE credit hours

### **HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

CDLA has arranged for a special room rate at the Hyatt for all reservations made before Monday, July 1, 2024. Register via link (highly recommended!) or telephone.

[https://www.hyatt.com/shop/rooms/sfofw?checkinDate=2024-08-01&checkoutDate=2024-08-04&rooms=1&adults=1&kids=0&corp\\_id=G-CDUI](https://www.hyatt.com/shop/rooms/sfofw?checkinDate=2024-08-01&checkoutDate=2024-08-04&rooms=1&adults=1&kids=0&corp_id=G-CDUI)

(Your confirmation email will also contain the hotel link and reservation instructions.)

**PHONE:** 415-563-1234 (Ask for the "CDLA Annual Kuwatch Conference 2024")

Please contact me with any questions about our conference or any issues with registration.

### **6.) MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: DON HAMMOND**



Don Hammond is the founder of Criminal Defense Heroes, P.C., based in Torrance, California. His practice is roughly 70% DUI cases throughout Los Angeles and Orange Counties and beyond. He has handled cases from San Diego to Santa Maria, and even assisted Phil Crawford with a DUI trial in Monterey. Don has completed SFST school as well as ARIDE, and he has spent time in a lab processing and testing human blood samples for alcohol, using gas chromatography at the National College DUI Defense's (NCDD) seminar entitled Serious Science for Serious Lawyers. He regularly attends NCDD seminars including Mastering Scientific Evidence.

Don has enjoyed recent wins on 1538.5 motions (thanks to Ron Lopez!) and DMV petitions for writ of mandate (thanks to the CDLA all-stars).

In addition to DUI cases, Don handles a wide range of criminal defense matters. He is well versed in California's various diversion statutes, including mental health and military/veterans diversion programs, and he takes advantage of these programs at every opportunity, frequently with the help of Debbie Harkness. Don has had several recent diversion grants on serious felonies, including 245s, 422s, domestic violence cases, and more.

Don (well, his assistant, Brittany, actually) also handles a large volume of petitions for dismissal per PC 1203.4, *et seq.*, and sealings. Don and Brittany volunteer at local expungement (I know, that word...) clinics several times each year. The team recently got a DUI murder case dismissed in OC, on an SB731 (PC 1203.41) petition. Don's first criminal defense experiences came in post-conviction matters as a law student at USC, where he participated in the Post-Conviction Justice Project, representing lifers in parole hearings.

Outside of the practice of law, Don is an FAA certified pilot and flight instructor, as well as an NRA certified shooting instructor. He's even been known to fly to court in far-away jurisdictions! He is a Legal Officer and Instructor Pilot for Civil Air Patrol (CAP), where he regularly teaches cadets (teenagers) to fly gliders. He is also a glider tow pilot. Don was the CAP Pacific Region Legal Officer of the Year for 2022. As a Legal Officer, he helps negotiate lease agreements, reviews personnel matters, and advises commanders about legal issues that come up.

Don is an active instructor with Shoot Safe Learning in Lomita, CA, where he regularly gives a talk to CCW students about California's complicated web of gun laws, and how the students can best stay out of trouble. He also teaches marksmanship and tactics at the range. Don also handles appeals of CCW denials – effective January 1, 2024, Penal Code section 26206 creates a process to appeal a denial to the superior court. Don is a Critical Response Attorney for the United States Concealed Carry Association and is on the attorney list for the Armed Citizens Legal Defense Network. These organizations pay attorneys to represent members after a self-defense incident.

When he's not flying, shooting, or practicing law, Don is active with several community organizations. He's the immediate past president of the Torrance Kiwanis Club, proctors Teen Court at Narbonne High School, and is a member of the Leadership Circle of the South Bay Trojans, unofficial USC alumni club.

In his leisure time, Don can be found with his wife, Caitlin, traveling, biking on the beach, or enjoying local faire. Recent travels have included Alaska, Egypt, and horse ranches in Arizona. Caitlin is the librarian at North High School in Torrance. Don and Caitlin live in Torrance, with two dogs and a cat.

## **7.) FEATURED PLATINUM SPONSOR: Breathe Easy Insurance**

After a DUI in California, bad things can happen to your clients' auto insurance. Skyrocketing rates. Non-renewal notices. Soon your clients may find themselves scrambling to find new insurance so they can file a new SR-22 and keep their drivers' licenses active. Refer your DUI clients to Breathe Easy Insurance ([www.breatheeasyins.com](http://www.breatheeasyins.com)) to take the stress out of satisfying their SR-22 requirements. Our agents can instantly compare multiple DUI-forgiving rates over the phone, and we can send SR-22s and digital proof of insurance the same day. Refer one DUI client to Breathe Easy Insurance Solutions and we will win you over. Have your client call: [855-366-7287](tel:855-366-7287) today. Email: [partner@breatheeasyins.com](mailto:partner@breatheeasyins.com) for more information or digital or printed partner-referral materials.



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