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JUNE 2026 NEWSLETTER

1.) MAY LUNCH & LEARN WEBINAR NOW AVAILABLE ON DEMAND

The April Lunch & Learn webinar presented by Jan Semenoff, Transdermal Alcohol Monitoring & Ignition Interlocks in California, is now available for viewing on-demand, 24/7.

HOW TO ACCESS A CDLA WEBINAR (in 5 easy steps!)

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

- 1.) MEMBER LOGIN
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- 3.) COURSE LIST
- 4.) DETAILS
- 5.) SELECT COURSE YOU WISH TO WATCH (26 available!)

IMPORTANT NOTES

- A copy of the presentation, 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 receive a Certificate of Attendance 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 recorded webinars and/or do not receive your MCLE Certificate of Attendance after successfully completing any program.

2.) 2026 ANNUAL KUWATCH CONFERENCE: REGISTRATION UNDERWAY!



For the first time in its 37-year history, CDLA will be holding its annual two-day conference in **Monterey, California!**

As usual, our conference rates are among the lowest in the country. Also, we have secured a limited number of rooms at the Hyatt at the super-low room rate of \$275/night. The Education Committee has developed a truly exceptional program with eight featured speakers. There will also be ample opportunity for social interaction and networking throughout the two days. Reduced/early registration rates are effective until July 10, 2026. Please contact me if you need additional information and/or experience any issues with registration.

My wife Mary and I look forward to seeing all of you again in this beautiful venue.



DATES: Friday, August 7 & Saturday, August 8, 2026

LOCATION: Hyatt Regency Hotel & Spa Monterey; Monterey, California

PROGRAM, SCHEDULE, COST: Conference Trifold (attached)

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Elizabeth Little: High-Profile Trial to Everyday Practice: Strategies from the Karen Read Case

Anthony Palacios: SFSTs in Action - Insights from the Expert

Richard Middlebrook: DMV Litigation Update - Key Appellate Rulings Every DUI Lawyer Should Know

Al Menaster: DUI Case Law Update - One Battle After Another (virtual)

Aaron Olson: Finding the Flaws - Toxicology Errors and How to Expose Them

Patrick Kolasinski & Lara Gressley: Using AI to Streamline Your DUI Practice &

AI in DUI Defense - Ethical Boundaries & Best Practices

Lucy McAllister: Defending Professional Licenses in California - Crossover Cases Involving Drug & Alcohol Issues

Bubba Head: Winning the Unwinnable DUI - Impeaching Officer Credibility in Court

MCLE: 9 credit hours, including 1 credit hour in Technology and 1 credit hour in Ethics

REGISTRATION: <https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/conference-2026>

3.) CDLA PRESIDENT RICHARD MIDDLEBROOK APPOINTED TO CDPH FORENSIC ALCOHOL REVIEW COMMITTEE

President Richard Middlebrook has recently been appointed as a member of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Forensic Alcohol Review Committee.

The function of the review committee is to evaluate the Department's regulations pertaining to forensic alcohol analysis. The review committee will determine revisions that will limit the Department's regulations to those that the review committee finds are reasonably necessary to ensure the competence of the forensic alcohol laboratories and their employees to prepare, analyze, and report results of tests and comply with applicable laws. There is no specific term for this appointment.

Please congratulate Richard on this important appointment.

4.) WHO OR WHAT IS "KUWATCH"?



Several members have recently asked me who or what "Kuwatch" is.

Edward Kuwatch was a prominent California attorney who founded the California DUI Deuce Defenders in 1989 - which became the California DUI Lawyers Association. A colorful expert in DUI law who called himself "Fast Eddie" and once ran for California attorney general, Eddie passed away on February 26, 2005, at the age of 57.

Eddie published many books through his Fast Eddie Publishing Co., including the popular two-volume "California Drunk Driving Law" and its frequent updates.

CDLA's annual conference as well as its most prestigious and distinguished award is named after Eddie Kuwatch.

CDLA's 2026 **Annual Kuwatch Conference** is scheduled for Friday, August 7 & Saturday, August 8, 2026, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel & Spa in Monterey, California.

President Richard Middlebrook will be presenting the **Edward Kuwatch Lifetime Achievement Award** (pictured above) during Saturday's Awards Luncheon.

5.) REMINDER: JANUARY MASTERCLASS RECORDING AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

The 2-hour CDLA Masterclass webinar, ***Inside the DMV with Richard Middlebrook***, is now available for purchase from those unable to attend last Tuesday afternoon's program. (Flyer attached)

The cost is \$195 for CDLA members and \$350 for non-members.

If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the webinar recording (along with all presentation materials), please send me an email requesting a link to make a credit card payment.

After you have watched the webinar, please notify me if you would like to receive an MCLE Certificate of Attendance for 2.0 General credit hours.

Contact me for additional information or if you have any questions.

6.) NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS IN MAY

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7.) THE LAST WORD!

If you have any CDLA membership issue, just call, text, or email me and I will assist you with the resolution of the problem.

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