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CALIFORNIA DUI
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SPECIAL HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER

- 1.) **WELCOME OUR NEW BRONZE SPONSOR!**



Driver Safety
Awareness Program
DUI Services

Driver Safety Awareness Program (DSAP) has provided quality Driving Under the Influence (DUI) program services in Los Angeles County, San Fernando Valley area for 26 years. Now under new ownership / management, having 32 years of experience managing and operating the one of the largest DUI programs in multiple counties throughout California, Victor Salinas, PMCS CEO, with is considered an expert in the field.

DSAP is licensed by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to provide DUI program services to first offenders that require a 12-hour Wet Reckless, 3-Month, 6-Month or 9-Month program.

DSAP provides program services remotely via Zoom telehealth services conferencing (for all services). DUI offender can join the enrollment or program services from anywhere in California or out of state. DSAP has the capability to enroll DUI offenders within 3-days of their call. DSAP staff are available to help navigate DUI offenders through the gamut of information and barriers. DSAP is here to support the successful enrollment and completion of all program requirements.

To provide quality services to DSAP clients that will help their companies prosper and grow while maintaining Local, State and County regulatory requirements:

Victor Salinas — owner, primary consultant

Kristopher Salinas — owner

PMCS Consulting is an LLC Corporation, incorporated in California on March 10, 2016. Victor Salinas and Kristopher Salinas are the sole owners of the company.

For additional information about programs and services, contact:

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2.) NEXT WEBINAR: "HIGH" TIME TO REGISTER!

HOW TO CHALLENGE THE THC EVIDENCE IN EVERY CASE

DATE: Wednesday, January 18, 2023
TIME: 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.
PRESENTER: Dr. Stefan Rose
MCLE: 2.0 credit hours
COORDINATOR: Dr. Roger Andersen, CDLA Executive Director
COST: FREE!
REGISTRATION LINK: <https://www.californiaduilawyers.org/thc-evidence>

WEBINAR DESCRIPTION:

Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the psychoactive compound produced by the marijuana plant, has complex chemistry and pharmacology attributes. In this two-hour webinar, Dr. Stefan Rose will explain and simplify the chemical and pharmacological complexities of THC to help the criminal defense attorney challenge any blood THC case. His PowerPoint presentation will contain the most up-to-date references on the chemical analysis and forensic pharmacology of a typical blood THC case.

ABOUT THE PRESENTER:

Dr. Stefan Rose began his career in science and medicine in 1974 working as a research technician in the Department of Anatomy at the University of Miami School of Medicine and then as a research technician from 1976-1978 at the university's Department of Pharmacology. He earned his BA in Biology from Florida Atlantic University in 1981 and his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Miami in 1985.

Following medical school Dr. Rose trained for two years at the University of Alabama in Clinical Pathology (laboratory medicine) and then for two years at the Dade County Medical Examiner Department Formal Forensic Toxicology training program and rotated through all sections of the medical examiner department and the toxicology laboratory. In 1992, he started the first DUI laboratory at the University of Miami and was responsible for blood ethanol, blood drug, and drug testing for the law enforcement agencies of Dade County, Florida.

From 1995 to 1998, he trained in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Miami, diagnosing and treating psychiatric patients, often under the influence of ethanol and drugs. He has been a courtesy professor in the Department of Chemistry at FIU since 1997 and has taught Forensic Toxicology and performed research in a variety of areas including detector dogs, breath ethanol testing, and blood ethanol testing. Dr. Rose has been in the field of laboratory science and pharmacology since 1974 and has continuously completed formal education, training, and research in clinical and forensic pharmacology and toxicology.

Dr. Stefan Rose serves as an **Expert** for CDLA and provides information, expertise, and guidance to CDLA members throughout the year.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- As with all CDLA webinars, this program will be recorded and added to CDLA's Learning Management System.
- All CDLA webinars are available to be viewed on-demand via the CDLA website.
- A PDF handout of Dr. Rose's PowerPoint presentation will be sent to all who attend along with a Certificate of Attendance (2.0 MCLE credits) and a brief evaluation survey.
- Please contact Executive Director Dr. Roger Andersen for additional information about this webinar or if you have any issues with registration.

3.) SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!

CDLA thanks its 2022 Sponsors, whose program and financial support, has enabled our Association to continue to grow and expand its programs and services to our membership throughout 2022:

PLATINUM (\$15,000) SPONSORS

Scorpion
Breathe Easy Insurance

GOLD (\$7,500) SPONSOR

LifeSafer of Northern California & LifeSafer of Southern California

SILVER (\$5,000) SPONSORS

Joey Hernandez Insurance Solutions
MIS Insurance Services
MyCase

BRONZE (\$2,500) SPONSORS

Smart Start
Driver Safety Awareness Program, Inc.
NOTEL Bail Bond Professionals will be joining CDLA as a Bronze Sponsor on 1/1/23.

4.) Report on NorCal HOLIDAY DINNER MEETING

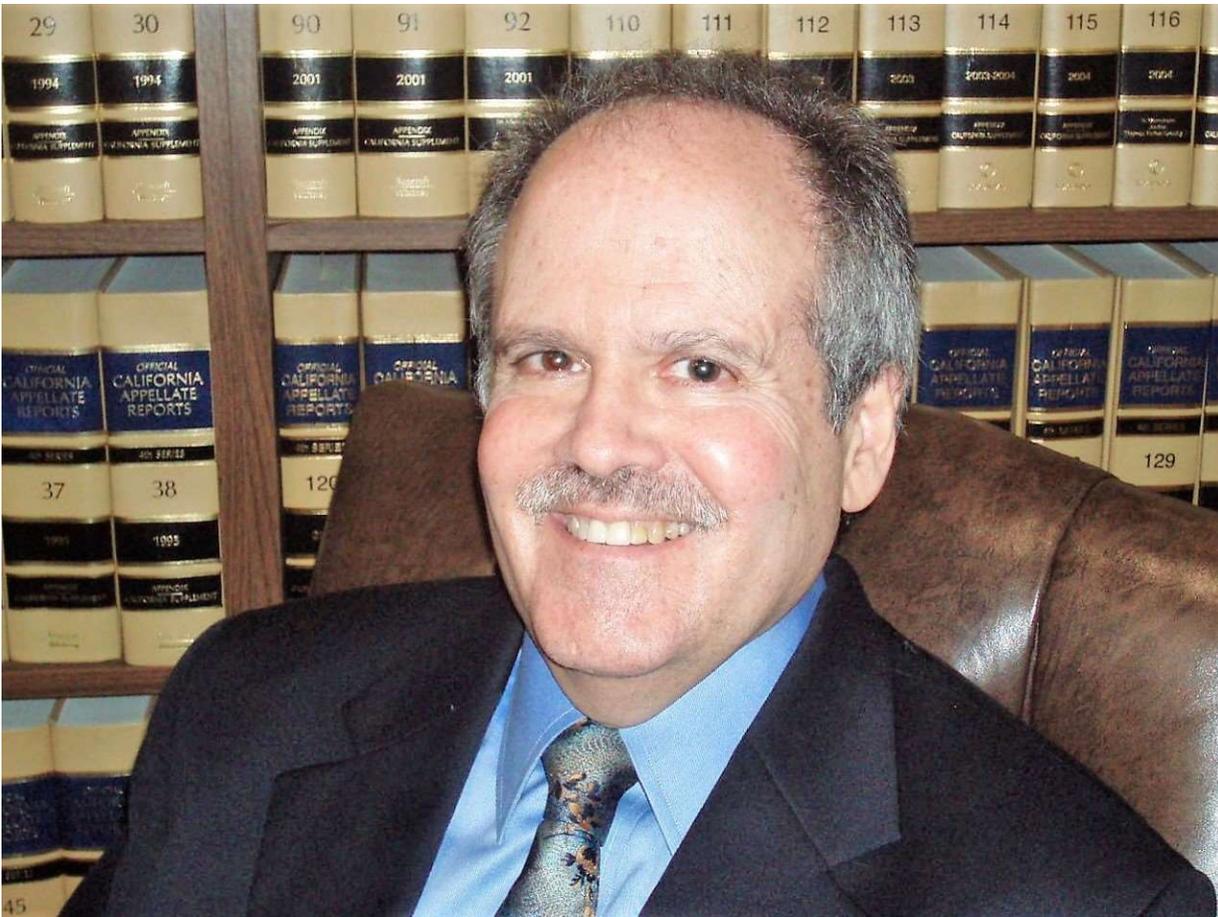
Twenty-three (23) people participated in the Northern California Holiday Dinner Meeting held on Thursday, December 15 at Trader Vic's in Emeryville.

After the buffet dinner and social hour, CDLA Director and Program Host **Peter Johnson** introduced **David Lewis**, who presented on the topic: *50 Years of Forensic Toxicology: What You Really Need to Know.*

5.) MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: CHARLIE UNGER



In the Spotlight



Charlie Unger is a past recipient of the CDLA lifetime achievement award. Charlie became an attorney in 1981, and was a partner in the law firm of Flanagan, Unger & Grover for over 40 years. Charlie left in December of 2021, to open his own law office in Pasadena.

Charlie's practice focuses on DUI cases, along with all other criminal defense matters. Charlie's best known DUI related case occurred in the late 1990's and is generally referred to as the Jehovah's Witness DUI trial. In this case, Charlie's client, who had a prior DUI conviction was involved in a DUI

collision with a Jehovah's Witness who would not take a blood transfusion. A family member later arrived at the hospital with paperwork indicating the same. Charlie's client was charged with murder, however Charlie was able to achieve a not guilty verdict on the murder charge and his client was convicted of appropriate lesser offenses due to what is referred to as a superseding intervening act, in this case the woman's refusal to have a blood transfusion.

Charlie's high profile clients outside of the DUI world include a 2016/2017 matter involving the rapper, The Game. This matter involved three criminal threats charges, a robbery charge, and a battery charge. After a very successful felony preliminary hearing, two counts were dismissed and the offer went from double digit years in state prison to six months county jail. When Charlie answered ready for trial, the offer became no time in jail.

Charlie attended Northwestern University and then went to the University of Illinois, College of Law. After 25 years of shoveling snow. Charlie moved to Southern California.

Charlie has a second career in which he is known as Dr. Charlie. While practicing law by day Charlie went to four years of night school from 1994-1998 to obtain his doctorate in psychology. This was followed by a three year/3000 hour internship also at night, the passing of his exams, and then the hanging out of a shingle at a different office where he does low cost counseling, which he describes as his way of giving back.

During law school, Charlie was fortunate enough to win a competition to become the voice of University of Illinois basketball, and he got to travel the country with the team. He also had a daily five minute sports report short and a weekend call in show with guests, including Earvin Johnson who was then at Michigan State, before he became Magic Johnson.

Charlie also wrote a weekly column for the Glendale News Press from 1997 to 2007, called The Counselor's Corner. This allowed Charlie to write about legal and/or psychological issues, which covered both of his careers.

Charlie Unger can be reached at charlieunger@hotmail.com or 626-567-0770.

6.) CDLA WEBINARS AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND (& FOR MCLE CREDIT!)

Just a soft reminder that CDLA has now an active Learning Management System (LMS) included as part of our website. With just a couple of clicks, you can access any one of eight (8) educational programs that were offered in 2021 or 2022 - and even earn MCLE credit!

- **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**

After watching these webinars - and passing a short assessment - you will be eligible to receive a Certificate of Attendance and earn MCLE credits (the only exception is *The Rule-Out Method* by David Ball).

Please follow this step-by-step process to access any of these webinars:

- 1.) **www.californiaduilawyers.org**
- 2.) **MEMBER LOGIN**
- 3.) **ON-DEMAND WEBINARS**
- 4.) **SEE COURSES YOU OWN**
- 5.) **CLICK ON THE PROGRAM YOU WANT TO WATCH**

IMPORTANT NOTES

- You may need to log in a second time (first to our website and then to our Learning Management System)
- A copy of the PowerPoint presentation, information about the instructors, and a link to the assessment will also appear.
- Once you have watched (at least 90% of) the webinar and complete the assessment (with a 70%+ passing grade), you will 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 questions or difficulty accessing any of these presentations or do not receive your Certificate of Attendance after successfully completing a program.

7.) SPECIAL THANKS TO CDLA LEADERSHIP & PRESENTERS

Many CDLA Directors and members contributed to a very successful 2022 for our Association.

Some quick call-outs:

CDLA PRESIDENT MANNY DASKAL

Manny and I communicate several times every week to discuss important CDLA business matters, upcoming Board meetings, and future events. He is always available and responsive, even in the evenings and weekends.

CDLA IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT JOSH PRICE

Until August, I had the pleasure of working with Josh as CDLA President. After heading the small search committee who hired me in late October 2021, Josh assisted me throughout my CDLA transition and steep learning curve as Executive Director. Josh played an even more prominent role when Treasurer Terry Wapner passed away suddenly 3 weeks after I was on board.

TREASURER PHILIP GAGNON

Specials thanks to Philip, who stepped up to become a member of the Board of Directors and then was appointed to the officer position of Treasurer in January. Philip has had to make many changes to our financial accounts and learn the financial end of our membership software platform quickly.

LISTSERV MODERATOR MICHAEL KENNEDY

A truly thankless “job” with any organization, Michael has overseen our listserv and made sure all members are compliant with the rules and guidelines.

2022 ANNUAL KUWATCH CONFERENCE: Manny Barba, Phillip Crawford, Peter Johnson

Vice President **Manny Barba** and 2021-22 Vice President **Phillip Crawford** served as master of ceremonies for our very successful (160 attendees!) annual conference held in mid-August in San Francisco. Board member **Peter Johnson** hosted the special Sponsor session and raffles held on Saturday morning.

DINNER PROGRAMS HOST PETER JOHNSON

Peter Johnson also served as the program host for both the Northern California Winter Dinner Meeting (held on Thursday, January 27) and the Northern California Holiday Dinner Meeting (held on Thursday, December 15). Peter has established outstanding relationships with our Sponsors and was instrumental in developing and launching the 2022 Sponsorship Program. CDLA now has 9 Sponsors.

WEBINAR AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

Jeanne Normandeau & Susan Perry: All Things AMP! (2/22/22 webinar)

Ronald Moore: Winning a DUI Drug Case Part 3: Attacking the Lab Analysis (4/14/22 webinar)

Phillip Crawford: The Art & Technique of Effective Opening Statements (6/14/22 webinar)

Patrick Kolasinki: Immigration Law (annual conference presentation 8/12/22)

Richard Middlebrook: A DMV Cheat Sheet for Winning (annual conference presentation 8/13/22)

Lara Gressley & Mike Donaldson: Effective Legal Writing for Attorneys (webinar 11/9/22)

SEMINAR PLANNING COMMITTEE

This CDLA group meets every other month to plan all CDLA educational programs as well as the annual conference. Members: President Manny Daskal, Lynn Gorelick, Erica Madrid, Philip Crawford, Peter Johnson.

8.) THE LAST WORD

On behalf of the CDLA Board of Directors, special thanks for being a valued member of CDLA. I hope everyone has an enjoyable and relaxing holiday break. Of course, contact me at any time regarding any program, membership, or other CDLA matter.

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