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# Free Continuing Legal Education Webinar

Navigating the New Town Square: Cultivating Competency in Basic Online Legal Research

The vast amount of information available and the many different platforms to obtain that information grow daily and have grown exponentially over the last 25 years. This information and technology impact the way attorneys practice law. One hour participatory credit

Speaker: Stephan Shields, JD, LexisNexis

Date: Thursday, April 29, 2021

Time: 12 - 1 p.m.

Where: held via Zoom—after registration you will receive a confirming email along with the Zoom link.

To register see our website at

https://www.ocpll.org/free-continuing-legal-education-webinar/

Questions? 714-338-6790

e would like to thank the Elder Law & Special Needs Section of the Orange County Bar Association for their gracious, continued sponsorship of the following material:

California elder law litigation

<u>California elder law resources: benefits, and plan-</u> <u>ning</u>

<u>Divorce after 50 : your guide to the unique legal & financial challenges</u>

IRAs, 401(K)s & other retirement plans

Long-term care: how to plan and pay for it

Mental capacity: legal and medical aspects of assessment and treatment

Social security disability practice

Social security, medicare & government pension

<u>Special needs trusts : planning drafting, and administration</u>

<u>Special needs trusts: protect your child's financial</u> future

# Law Library COVID-19 Guidelines - by EH

In order to adhere to public health policies designed to safeguard the health of patrons and staff, the library is open to patrons with specific legal research needs, by appointment only.

A signed appointment form is required, which states that the person requesting an appointment agrees to wear a face covering, practice social distancing of at least six feet from other library patrons and staff, plus follow other staff requests. A face covering must cover both nose and mouth; a face shield is acceptable if worn with a face covering underneath

Any patron who wants to wipe down an area for their use, can request disinfecting supplies at the Reference desk area; hand sanitizers are available throughout the library. Any person displaying Coronavirus-like symptoms will not be permitted to enter the building.

For further information or to schedule an appointment: Call (714) 338-6790 or go to <a href="www.ocpll.org/email-a-librarian/">www.ocpll.org/email-a-librarian/</a>

#### New Laws in 2021

#### By Mora Prestinary

Just a smattering of the hundreds of California laws going into effect in 2021, by category.

#### For other new laws see:

https://calmatters.org/multimedia/video/2020/12/new-california-laws-explained-one-minute-videos/

https://www.latimes.com/projects/new-2021-california-laws-covid-19-housing-more/

#### COVID-19

# AB 685: COVID-19 workplace rules

Requires employers to take specific actions, for example written notifications to employees, within one business day of a potential exposure to COVID-19 in the workplace. The notice must be in English and another language, if applicable.

# Health:

## SB 793: Flavored tobacco ban

After two years of trying, California lawmakers in 2020 banned the sale of flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes.

# **Criminal justice**

#### SB 132: Transgender protections

The Transgender Respect, Agency and Dignity Act allows incarcerated transgender, gender non-conforming and intersex individuals to be housed, and searched according to their gender identity and where they feel safest. State corrections officers will be required to record inmates self-reported gender identity, gender pronouns, and honorifics during intake and throughout incarceration. The law also prohibits prison workers from failing to use a person's specified gender pronouns and honorifics.

#### AB 2147: Inmate Firefighters

A longstanding program that relies on incarcerated individuals to fight wildfires will now allow nonviolent offenders to petition to get their records expunged and to use their training to gain employment as firefighters. Inmates were previously barred from becoming professional firefighters after release because of their criminal records.

#### AB2542: Criminal Justice Reform

The California Racial Justice Act expands opportunities for defendants to challenge a charge or conviction by demonstrating that there was racial bias present in their case.

#### Workplace

# SB3: Minimum wage

Employers must pay a minimum wage of \$14 per hour, a \$1 increase from last year's hourly minimum. Businesses with fewer than 26 workers must increase their hourly wage to at least \$13





## By Elizabeth Harmon

Although the library is presently open full-time, Curbside Pickup service is still available for patrons who have a library account. Any patron with a library account (that has no fees exceeding \$15.00) may check-out up to 5 items for 3 weeks.

To make a request go to <a href="https://www.ocpll.org/">www.ocpll.org/</a> borrowingcirculation/

You will be notified of the status of your request by noon the next business day. Once the materials are ready, they will be available for pickup at the rear entrance to the Law Library – located on the west side of the building in the Civic Center parking lot.

If a patron would like to take advantage of this service but does not have a library account, they are welcome to make an appointment to come into the library and open an account. To schedule an appointment, call (714) 338-6790 or email the library at <a href="https://www.ocpll.org/email-a-librarian/">www.ocpll.org/email-a-librarian/</a>

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