

WHITTIER BAR ASSOCIATION MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING

September 2014

SEPTEMBER MEETING – 1 HOUR ELIMINATION OF BIAS MCLE CREDIT

LGBTQ Issues & Bias in the Legal Profession

Speaker: Stephanie Loftin, Esq.

Audrey 'Stephanie' Loftin was co-counsel on Ellis vs. Arriaga (2008) 162 Cal. App. 4th 1000, which established Putative Spouses in Domestic Partnerships, as well as Trial Counsel on an unpublished case, Beth C. vs. Marcia B. (2012) Upheld in Second District, Division 7, with Judge Kenneth A. Black, where a Non RDP, Non-Marital Partner of a lesbian relationship was found to be a parent under F.C. 7611(d).

Among many other honors, Ms. Loftin has been past President of Women Lawyers of Long Beach, President of the Family Law Section of the Long Beach Bar, Past Chair and CFO of the Gay & Lesbian Center in LGB, the LGB Police Chief's Gay & Lesbian Advisory Group from 1991-2005, including Chair for several years, advocating for policies involving their undercover decoy arrests of gay men and their treatment of LGBTQ members of the Community in Domestic Violence and other calls. She received the Lambda Democratic Club's Human Rights "Woman of the Year Award" for 1998 & 2008 and the President's Special Recognition Award for my work in the Community. She has sat Judge Pro Tem in Family Law, Domestic Violence Restraining Orders, Traffic, Small Claims, and Unlawful Detainers. LGB Soroptimist International "Women Who Make a Difference" in 2009. She taught "Women and the Law" at CSULB for a semester, and Supervisor Don Knabe appointed her to the LA County Commission on Alcoholism, where she served seven years, two as Chair.

When: **Monday, September 22, 2014**
6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. – No host cocktails**
6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Dinner
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – MCLE

Where: The Rusty Monk
6749 Greenleaf Ave. (at corner of Philadelphia)
Whittier, CA 90601

Cost: Members and Non-Members \$40
Judges \$20

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Please note: If you RSVP and do not end up attending, and we cannot cancel your meal in a timely manner, you will be invoiced for it. Thank you in advance for your consideration. In addition, please RSVP with any dietary restrictions.

SAVE THE DATE! OUR NEXT MEETING IS:

Monday, October 27, 2014

Speaker = Hon. Mark A. Juhas, Los Angeles Superior Court