THE PROGRAM

The Municipal Law Institute of the League of California Cities and
The Public Law Research Institute at UC Hastings College of the Law present:
The Sixth Annual Cities on the Cutting Edge Conference

PUBLIC LAWYERS AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST:
DO LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWYERS HAVE
SPECIAL ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS?

Keynote Speaker: The Honorable Ming W. Chin
Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWYER: PUBLIC SERVANT
OR HIRED GUN?

Do government lawyers have an ethical obligation to protect the public interest? Or are their obligations only to their client, narrowly defined? If a broader obligation exists, what does it entail? How does it differ from every lawyer's ethical obligations?

CONFIDENTIALITY, WHISTLE-BLOWING, AND THE PUBLIC LAWYER

AB 363. The proposed – and rejected – amendments to Rule 3-600. Federal appellate decisions rejecting the government attorney privilege in federal criminal investigations. What is next for the attorney-client privilege for local government lawyers after Ossias and Quackenbush?

NIGHTMARES ON MAIN STREET

An in depth discussion of selected ethical dilemmas local government lawyers may face.

Friday, September 20, 2002, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
UC Hastings College of the Law,
198 McAllister St., San Francisco

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SOME OF OUR SPEAKERS

Keynote speaker the Honorable Ming W. Chin, Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court.

The Honorable Quentin Kopp, Judge of the San Mateo County Superior Court; former state senator and San Francisco supervisor.

Prof. Steve Berenson, author of "Public Lawyers, Private Values: Can, Should, and Will Government Lawyers Serve the Public Interest?"


Terry Francke, General Counsel, California First Amendment Coalition and author of the 1994 revisions to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Mark L. Tuft, Cooper, White & Cooper LLP, coauthor of the California Practice Guide on Professional Responsibility for Lawyers, and former chair of the State Bar Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct and the San Francisco Bar Association’s Legal Ethics Committee.

Cindy Ossias, California Department of Insurance;
Buck Delventhal, Chief Deputy City Attorney, San Francisco;
Hilda Cantu Montoy, City Attorney, Fresno;
Terry Dermody, County Counsel, San Joaquin County;
Betsy Strauss, City Attorney, Rohnert Park;
Michael Rawson, Public Interest Law Project, Oakland

and others!
REGISTRATION

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UC Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco, California
Tuition is $130, including lunch and reception
(registration deadline is September 6th)

To register, fax this form to (415) 565-4884, or mail with your check payable to Hastings College of the Law, to:

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