

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

7:30 AM	<p>Registration Opens</p>
9:00 AM	<p>Welcome RCRC Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor John Viegas, Glenn County
9:05 AM	<p>Countdown to November! Unpacking the Current Political Landscape</p> <p>No matter your political views or affiliations, the current election cycle is certain to be one for the history books. From the Presidential campaign, to fights for legislative seats and State ballot measures, 2016 continues to be a wild political ride. Join seasoned political experts and commentators as they discuss the current political landscape – both nationally and within California.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gary Dietrich, Political Analyst and President of Citizen Voice • Rob Stutzman, Political Consultant and President of Stutzman Public Affairs
10:00 AM	<p>There's An App For That: The Impacts of the Internet on California's Rural Economy</p> <p>The digital revolution has been bringing about changes for years, and consistently driving new laws and regulations at the state level. Recent trends in online storefronts, transportation, and lodging all provide new, unlimited opportunities for entrepreneurs in every part of the state. But how has this changing business model impacted traditional marketplace retailers, and the State's regulatory framework?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucas Puente, Economist, Thumbtack • Lauren Kimzey, State & Local Government Affairs Manager, Internet Association • Devin Whitney, Senior Manager, State Government Relations, PayPal
10:45 AM	<p>Break</p>
11:00 AM	<p>An Insider's Perspective on the U.S. Supreme Court</p> <p>The U.S. Supreme Court performs one of the most important functions of the U.S. government, though little is known about it to the average American. The cases it decides, how it decides them, and its day-to-day workings remain a mystery to many observers of our form of government. Ms. Marcia Coyle of the</p>

National Law Journal will be on hand to provide a better understanding of the U.S. Supreme Court. In addition to discussing the 'nuts-and-bolts' of the Court, she will share her insights on the politics of filling the vacancy caused by the death of Associate Justice Antonin Scalia, and discuss the recently-decided *Evenwel v. Abbott* case involving legislative redistricting. Ms. Coyle will also provide a preview of what's to come on the U.S. Supreme Court's docket.

- Marcia Coyle, Chief Washington Correspondent, The National Law Journal

12:00 PM

Lunch

Spa Deck

1:30 PM

Emerging from the Shadows: Regulating the Medical Marijuana Industry

After twenty years of debate, the California Legislature recently adopted a regulatory framework for the medical marijuana industry. However, the day-to-day rules have yet to be finalized as a myriad of State agencies are in the process of constructing these much-needed guidelines. Top State regulators will be on hand to discuss the regulatory parameters for growing, manufacturing, transporting, testing and selling medical marijuana. They will provide the status of developing these rules as well as their perspective in meeting the challenges of regulating an industry that has been operating in a quasi-legal market for decades.

- Lori Ajax, Chief of the Bureau of Medical Cannabis Regulation
- Jim Houston, Undersecretary, California Department of Food & Agriculture

2:45 PM

Break

3:00 PM

Drones: Balancing Benefits and Challenges

The use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, more commonly known as drones, by private citizens and commercial entities alike has drastically increased over the past decade. As the use of drone technology becomes more prevalent, state and local governments have an interest in regulating to protect the privacy and safety of their constituents. Drone technology also provides local governments with a new set of tools to conduct surveillance, emergency response, drought management, and property assessments, among other practical applications. Join us to hear leading experts discuss complex federal and state drone policy, and hear how local governments and commercial entities are using drone technology, and how state and local regulatory efforts are being carried out to advance public safety and privacy.

- Nicole Witt, Attorney, Hanson Bridgett, LLP
- Gregory McNeal, JD/PhD, Professor of Law and Public Policy at Pepperdine University, and Co-Founder of AirMaps

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keith Coleman, Chief Strategy Officer, Tesla Foundation
5:30 PM	Reception Spa Deck
6:30 PM	Dinner Cascades Restaurant

Thursday, September 29, 2016

7:30 AM	Breakfast Cascades Restaurant
8:00 AM	Registration Opens
8:30 AM	Navigating Life Post Foster Care <p>More than 60,000 children and youth currently live in the California foster care system. While foster care may be temporary for some, more than 10 percent transition to adulthood, often times on their own. When a foster youth leaves the system, they generally lose nearly all of the assistance and support they counted on while in care - financial, educational, social, and otherwise. While the government has made significant improvements in recent years supporting emancipating youth, unique and impactful innovations from partner organizations and programs outside of government help these young people successfully turn surviving into thriving, more effectively bridging the transition from the foster care system to adulthood. Our panelists will speak to one such partnership, and discuss how to best address this gap in services with limited resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Knecht, Children's System of Care, Client Services Director, Placer County • Serita Cox, Co-Founder and Executive Director, iFoster
9:30 AM	Too Much At Once? Criminal Justice Reform in California <p>Over the last six years, California has launched a number of significant criminal justice reforms. In 2011, the Legislature and Governor Brown enacted a complete realignment of responsibilities for offenders, with an emphasis on county programs to reduce recidivism and lower costs. In 2014, California voters overwhelmingly approved Proposition 47, which reclassifies a number of crimes to misdemeanors in order to minimize the number of felony offenders serving in State custody. This November, California voters will consider yet another criminal justice reform measure aimed at altering sentencing practices. Much of these reforms come against the backdrop of the federal courts' involvement in managing the State prison population and the level of healthcare afforded to inmates. Join esteemed panelists as they assess the results of these reforms upon California's criminal justice system.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Honorable Brian McCabe, Merced County Superior Court Judge • The Honorable Kory Honea, Butte County Sheriff • Magnus Lofstrom, Senior Fellow, Public Policy Institute of California
10:45 AM	Break
11:00 AM	<p>Rebuilding the American Dream: The Changing Focus of Housing Needs</p> <p>Rising home prices, dwindling affordable housing inventory, and an ever-increasing population have Californians rethinking the "McMansion" boom experienced over the past several decades. As the Baby Boomer generation ages, millennials become the most populous generation, and the middle class continues to shrink, it is critical that policymakers take the lead in developing innovative housing solutions to address the affordable housing shortage and serve California's rapidly changing demographic needs. Join industry experts and trendsetting entrepreneurs as they discuss the potential obstacles to helping rural California tackle the housing crisis in affordable, creative, and ecofriendly ways.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Cogdill, President & CEO, California Building Industry Association • Lisa Bates, Deputy Director, Division of Housing Policy Development, California Department of Housing & Community Development • Daniel Fitzpatrick, President, Pacific Pathways, LLC and California Chapter Leader, American Tiny House Association
12:15 PM	<p>Lunch</p> <p>Cascades Restaurant</p>
6:00 PM	<p>Reception</p> <p>Sierra Room</p>
7:00 PM	<p>Dinner & Basket Raffle</p> <p>Grand Sierra A & B</p>

Friday, September 30, 2016

8:00 AM	Board of Directors Breakfast
9:00 AM	Board of Directors Meeting