



# The CSLEA Alert

## President's Message



By Alan Barcelona  
 CSLEA President  
 FOP Lodge 77 President and State Trustee



Next week, I will be travelling to San Diego to pay my heartfelt respects to a man I greatly admired and enjoyed working with, former CSLEA Board Director Richard Brown. Richard passed away on November 7, 2015 as a result of a cancer-related infection. Richard fought a courageous

battle with cancer for several years.

As CSLEA Unit-B vice president and president of our affiliate, the Association of Motor Carrier Operation Specialists (AMCOS), Richard served our entire membership. He never missed a board meeting and was devoted to seeing that our members were treated fairly, no matter what their job classifications.

Richard started his career with the CHP in March 1983 as a cadet at the academy and as an officer until July 1985. He worked as a commercial vehicle inspection specialist from July 1985 until February 1991 when he promoted to Motor Carrier Specialist I. He worked as a motor carrier specialist until his retirement in December 2011. He served the State of California for nearly 29 years. Richard was also a veteran of the United States Navy and served as a reservist.

Richard is survived by his wife Ellen, his daughter Charmine and his son Richard A. Brown Jr. His memorial is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Greenwood Memorial Park, 4300 Imperial Avenue, San Diego.



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**CSLEA & FOP Lodge 77 President Alan Barcelona Calls On Members To Boycott Film Director Tarantino**

May Richard rest in peace and his family know that our thoughts and prayers are with them during this time of extreme sadness.

## Talking To Legislators About What Matters To Members



SACRAMENTO- On October 22, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) President Alan Barcelona wrapped up a busy week of travel to meet with five California Assemblymembers and Senators in which he was able to discuss topics such as pensions, benefits and livable wages.

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## CSLEA Legal Wins Court of Appeal Decision in Favor of DOJ Special Agent Supervisor

LOS ANGELES -On October 13, 2015, the California Court of Appeal Second District affirmed the prior rulings of the Los Angeles Superior Court, the State Personnel Board (SPB) and the CalPERS Board, holding that the California Department of Justice (DOJ) cannot condition reinstatement of a Peace Officer on POST requirements once CalPERS reinstates that individual to full duty.



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## Looking to be a Leader in Law Enforcement?



SACRAMENTO- California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) President and California Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Trustee Alan Barcelona joins a growing list of law enforcement association leaders calling on members to boycott Director Quentin Tarantino's films, including The Hateful Eight, which is scheduled to be released later this year. In addition to the new release, Barcelona is supporting a boycott on all rentals and electronic ways in which people watch any Tarantino movie.

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**Not sure what your CSLEA Foundation is all about?**

We invite you to check out our new CSLEA Foundation [website](#). Read about the Foundation's mission and

By CSLEA FOP Lodge 77 Vice President  
Kenny Ehrman

Having recently enrolled in the University of San Diego's online Master of Science in Law Enforcement and Public Safety Leadership program, I want to bring some important news to the attention of our members.

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## CSLEA Foundation Joins State Controller & Assemblymember At Fraud Prevention Town Hall

LOS ANGELES - On Friday, October 30, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Foundation Chairperson Kenny Ehrman spoke to senior citizens at a town hall focusing on identity theft and fraud prevention. The town hall was sponsored by State Controller Betty Yee and Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer.



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## CSLEA Foundation Talks Fraud Prevention at Mexican Consulate in Santa Ana



SANTA ANA - No matter how small or large the group, the California

what Foundation leaders have been doing to keep members of your community free from harm. Got an idea of how you can help? [Contact us!](#) And don't forget to follow us on Twitter and like our CSLEA Foundation Facebook page.



**CSLEA Foundation  
Consumer Protection  
Tip of the Week-  
November 9, 2015 -  
Be sure to deal with  
licensed professionals**



## CSLEA Membership Encouragement Program

A \$50.00 thank you!

If your Unit 7 colleague is not a CSLEA member and signs up with your name as a "sponsor" - CSLEA will thank you with \$50.00

Members of CSLEA appreciate a great benefit when they have one, so who better to reward for spreading the word?

Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Foundation reaches out to California residents who want to know more about the proactive steps they can take to protect themselves from becoming a victim of fraud.

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## CSLEA Visits Cadets At State Parks Law Enforcement Academy



OROVILLE - On October 29, 2015, representatives from the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA), and its affiliate Resources Protection Peace Officers Association (RPPOA), visited 30 California State Park Ranger and Peace Officer-Lifeguard cadets at the State Parks Law Enforcement Academy at Butte College in Oroville.

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## RPPOA Seeks Contract Proposals From Members



VENTURA - On October 21, 2015, members of the Resource Protection Peace Officers Association (RPPOA) Contract Committee met in Ventura to discuss contract proposals and negotiations priorities.

If your Bargaining Unit 7 colleagues are not full members of CSLEA and upgrade their status because of your encouragement, CSLEA will send you a \$50.00 reward for each upgrade. Ask around.

CSLEA members receive enormous benefits over fair-share members. The difference between fair-share and full-dues is minimal, in most cases just \$5 to \$10 a month.

Full-dues paying members receive a \$15,000 basic life insurance policy and a top-notch, proven Legal Defense Fund, that, as a consumer protection or public safety employee, no one should be without.

Full-dues paying members also receive access to scholarships, the CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program and the Fraternal Order of Police benefits program.

Your fair-share Unit 7 colleagues can upgrade membership status here. Don't forget to have them include your name as the *sponsor*.



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## CSLEA Checks in With New CHP Public Safety Dispatchers



WEST SACRAMENTO- On Monday, November 9, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Member Services Representatives George Pina and Marco Castro visited the CHP Academy in West Sacramento to talk with 11 CHP Public Safety Dispatchers-in-training.

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## 2015 CSLEA & COLRE Informational Luncheon At DMV Region III Meeting



SACRAMENTO- On October 21, 2015, the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA), along with affiliate California Organization of Licensing Registration Examiners (COLRE), hosted an informational luncheon for licensing registration examiners at the Department of Motor Vehicles annual Regional III meeting in Sacramento.

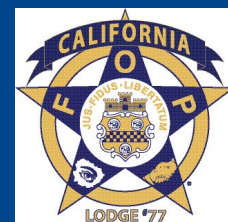


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Special Agent Supervisor  
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FOP Lodge #77 Membership  
Available to Retirees and Retired  
Annuitants



SACRAMENTO -Retired CSLEA members now have the opportunity to become members of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) by joining CSLEA FOP Lodge #77. One of the benefits in doing so, allows them to enroll in HR 218 coverage under the FOP Legal Defense Plan as well as to access all other FOP benefits.

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## CARII Meets With Site Representatives In Southern California



ORANGE - On October 23, 2014, California Association of Regulatory Investigators and Inspectors (CARII) Treasurer Casey Falls hosted an appreciation get-together for CARII/CSLEA site representatives in the City of Orange.

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## DOJ Special Agents Team With Sacramento Sheriff's Deputies In Three Day Operation

### 82 Firearms Seized, 10 Arrests

SACRAMENTO - When California Department of Justice special agents teamed with Sacramento Sheriff's deputies in a three-day operation to removed firearms from people who are not legally allowed to possess them, the results were huge. Agents and deputies seized 82 firearms and arrested 10 people.



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## CEO of Prosthetic Limb Company Arrested for Insurance fraud

*Allegedly forged documents to collect payment after patient dies*

### CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program

Be sure to check out the many discounts available to you as a CSLEA member.

[For more information about our CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program](#)



### Knott's Berry Farm Fire & Police Tribute Days

As a thank you to all fire and police personnel in our community, Knott's Berry Farm will offer free theme park admission for fire and police personnel and one guest from November 30 through January 31, 2016.

[Find out more](#)

LOS ANGELES - On October 23, 2015, Peter Lira, 53, chief executive officer of Am-Pro Prosthetics & Orthotics in Whittier, was arrested on three felony counts of insurance fraud for allegedly billing Anthem Blue Cross for a \$170,000 prosthetic arm knowing the patient had died and the prosthetic arm was no longer needed.



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## Landmark Murder Convictions for Doctor who Over-Prescribed Drugs

**California Medical Board lead investigative agency in case**

LOS ANGELES - On October 30, 2015, a Los Angeles area doctor was convicted of three counts of second-degree murder for prescribing massive quantities of addictive and dangerous drugs to patients with no legitimate need, three of whom died in 2009 of overdoses.

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## ABC Suspends Liquor License at San Jose Restaurant

**Suspension follows homicide outside premises**

SAN JOSE - On October 27, 2015, California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) agents posted a notice of indefinite suspension at Lu Restaurant in San Jose. The indefinite suspension means, effective immediately, alcohol sales are prohibited at the restaurant.



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## CSLB Investigators Nab 76 in Statewide Sting



### The CSLEA APP

Download the CSLEA APP and you can:

- \* Have the LDF Hotline at your fingertips
- \* Contact CSLEA
- \* View Unit 7 contract
- \* View "Know Your Rights" videos
- \* Update your contact information
- \* Follow our news feed
- \* Catch up with us via social media
- \* See our CSLEA calendar
- \* E-mail us your photos
- \* View our photo gallery
- \* Meet our Board & staff
- \* Access GPS directions

### CSLEA Know Your Rights Videos



SACRAMENTO - On October 13-15, Contractors State License Board (CSLB) Investigators teamed up with local law enforcement agencies throughout the state to target those contracting without a license.

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## CDPH and DCA Investigators Assist in Operation "Fright Night"

### *Target Cosmetic Contact Lenses Sold Without Prescriptions*

LOS ANGELES - On October 23, 2015, the owners and operators of 10 Southern California businesses were charged in federal court with illegally selling cosmetic contact lenses without prescriptions. The charges are the result of an investigation in which products purchased were contaminated with dangerous pathogens that can cause eye injury, blindness and loss of the eye.



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## State Park Rangers Awarded Certificate of Commendation

SAN DIEGO - California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA)



**A CSLEA Presentation: Social Media featuring CSLEA Legal Counsel Jim Vitko**

## CalPERS Benefits Education Events



CalPERS has scheduled nine benefits education events for FY 2015-16

The statewide events support retirement planning for all career phases

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Members and State Park Rangers Mike Dippel and Sasha Wessitsh were recently honored by San Diego Sheriff William Gore for their bravery and response to an elevated call assisting San Diego County Sheriff's deputies.



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## DMV Clerk and Five Others Charged in Identity Theft Scheme

***"Aiding people in assuming someone else's identity and aiding them in passing tests that they either failed or didn't take at all, is a crime against all of us, it puts our safety and security at risk." - Kenny Ehrman, AMVIC President***



SANTA ANA - California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) investigators are part of a three-year and on-going investigation that has led to the indictment of a DMV clerk and five other people on federal identity theft charges. Those indicted are accused of using legitimate birth certificates and Social Security numbers obtained from Puerto Rico to create new identities that were sold to people willing to pay thousands of dollars for fraudulent identity documents.

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The California Statewide Law  
Enforcement Association  
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Thank you for your interest in the October  
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PROTECTING CALIFORNIANS WHERE THEY LIVE, WORK & PLAY