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# YUBA SUTTER BAR ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER

February 2018

Courtney E. Gengler, President

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**This month's meeting is on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, at 12:00 noon.**

### The Refuge Restaurant

1501 Butte House Road, Yuba City, CA 95993

The MCLE presentation will be provided by Jerry Crippen, CPA, from Crippen & Associates. Mr. Crippen has been practicing as a Certified Public Accountant for 40 years in Northern California. Mr. Crippen also specializes in business valuation, and has testified numerous times in court concerning these valuations.

Mr. Crippen will be presenting on the new tax law changes. The presentation will begin at 12:30 and will qualify for 0.5 hours of MCLE credits.

**Please RSVP for the February meeting by Thursday, February 15, 2018**

to Secretary Melissa Poulos, [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com), (530) 822-3368.

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### REMINDER NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Our March meeting will be held on March 20, 2018, at noon at the Refuge Restaurant.** Stay tuned for more information.
- YSBA Scholarship applications have been sent to the ten local high schools and to Yuba College with a due date of April 2, 2018. Winners will be announced at the school award ceremonies in May.
- The 2018 Board of the Yuba Sutter Bar Association is:

Courtney E. Gengler, President  
Charles S. Poulos, Interim Vice President

Melissa J. Poulos, Secretary  
Jessica Hiller, Treasurer

- YSBA member dues are \$50.00 for the year and are now due. Please send your check, payable to the Yuba Sutter Bar Association, to YSBA, P.O. Box 204, Marysville, CA 95901, or bring it to the meeting.
  - If you have any announcements that you would like included in the Newsletter, please send an email to Secretary Melissa Poulos at [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com).
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Yuba Sutter Bar Association  
Meeting Minutes  
January 16, 2018  
The Refuge Restaurant

1. Courtney Gengler, President, began the meeting with welcoming remarks and announcements.
  - a. The San Luis Obispo County Family Law Section is sponsoring a two-day minor's counsel training in March. Scheduled speakers include Judge Juhas, Philip Stahl and Commissioner Erin Childs. They are promoting state-wide to help address the problem encountered in San Luis Obispo County, where there was a need for attorneys qualified to represent minors.
  - b. The Estate Planning Professionals group is starting up again. Contact Courtney Gengler, Kelly Smith, or John Guth.
  - c. YSBA member dues for 2018 will be \$50.00.
  - d. February meeting will be on February 20, 2018. Speaker TBA
  - e. The fee arbitration forms are on our website at [www.yubasutterbar.org](http://www.yubasutterbar.org).
  
2. The speaker was Ashley Bargaquast from Tully & Weiss, Attorneys at Law, a criminal defense firm in Martinez, CA. She began by providing a brief history of California's cannabis laws starting in 1996 with the passing of Prop 215, which allowed the use of medicinal cannabis. Prop 64, passed in 2016, legalized adult use of cannabis, which is differentiated from offering qualified immunity.

Health and Safety Code section 11362.1(c) provides the framework for what is now lawful, including subsection (c), which provides that "Cannabis and cannabis products involved in any way with conduct deemed lawful by this section are not contraband nor subject to seizure, and no conduct deemed lawful by this section shall constitute the basis for detention, search, or arrest."

Many questions were asked and answered, including that an employer or a landlord has a right to prohibit an employee or a tenant from using cannabis. The point was also made that this is a state law and federal law still classifies cannabis as an illegal substance, so interstate travel with cannabis is against the law, as well as banking cannabis proceeds.

3. Courtney Gengler, President, thanked the speaker and adjourned the meeting.