

Eight Members to Be Honored at Bar's Annual Membership Luncheon on December 15

November 22, 2016 – San Francisco – Eight members of The Bar Association of San Francisco (BASF) will be honored at its Annual Membership Luncheon on December 15 with awards for their dedication to the organization in 2016.

AWARD OF MERIT

Buck Endemann, Paul Hastings; Carolyn Lee, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius; Matt Gluck, Gluck Daniel; Jill McInerney, Sefton Family Law Group, and Andrea Goodman, Law Office of Andrea Goodman will each be recognized with Awards of Merit.

The Justice & Diversity Center's (JDC) Homeless Advocacy Project approached Buck Endemann for pro bono help answering questions about easement rights to their property from a neighboring low-income housing development. His service turned into a multi-week, full-fledged negotiation, resulting in securing a renegotiated easement.

BASF's Solo and Small Firm Section was resurrected and thrived under the leadership of Cochairs Matt Gluck and Carolyn Lee. Additionally, they worked to build robust solo/small firm sponsorship of the annual JDC Gala.

Longtime members of BASF's Lawyer Referral and Information Service's Court Dependency Panel, Jill McInerney and Andrea Goodman are well respected leaders and tireless advocates for due process, quality legal representation, and full funding statewide for court-appointed counsel for indigent parents and children served by Dependency Courts.

OUTSTANDING BARRISTER AWARD

Mark Conrad, Conrad & Metlitzky; Marie Ma, Gap Inc; and Andrew McDevitt, Walkup, Melodia, Kelly & Schoenberger, will all be honored with Outstanding Barristers Awards.

Mark Conrad has served the Barristers Club in numerous leadership roles over the years. He led the Barristers Litigation Section as an Executive Committee member, Vice-Chair and Chair and was then appointed to the Barristers Club Board of Directors, serving as its 2014 president. In each of those positions, he has actively mentored the junior members of the profession and strongly encouraged them to take on leadership roles in the organization. This past September, he led a "Law Firm Basics" training session for the inaugural class of new solo attorneys participating in the Community Law Practice Incubator Program.

Over the years, Marie Ma has served as a dedicated leader in the Justice & Diversity Center's Diversity Pipeline programs. As the Mock Trial Committee Chair, she has gone above and beyond to train and mentor the students to ensure they each gain greater confidence, a better understanding of the legal system and a passion for advocacy. Her generous commitment to the mock trial program has greatly contributed to its success over the years. As an Ambassador to our Barristers Club, Ma also encourages junior in-house attorneys to give back to the legal profession by getting more involved in the organization

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and its community programs.

Throughout the years, Andrew McDevitt has been an active leader in the BASF Delegation to the California Conference of Bar Associations (CCBA), serving in various executive positions. As the 2015 CCBA chair, he led one of the largest delegations in conference history. In that role, he has been committed to generating support for the CCBA's important work and has encouraged other members of the Barristers Club to participate. McDevitt has also been involved in the Barristers Club, serving on the Executive Committee for the Barristers Litigation Section for several years. In addition, he has volunteered as a coach for the Lowell High School Mock Trial Team over the years, where he helped them win the San Francisco Championship and even advance to the State Finals in 2012 and 2014.

The awards will be presented at The Bar Association of San Francisco's Annual Membership Luncheon on December 15, 2016.