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JULIA MORGAN BALLROOM

3:45 to 4:45

SUD Workshop

Moderator: **Allan Hirsch**, Chief Deputy Director, OEHHA

Panel: **Mike Easter**, Principal, Ensign

Ann Grimaldi, Principal, Grimaldi Law Offices

Martha Sandy, Chief, Reproductive & Cancer Hazard
Assessment Branch, OEHHA

Description

The workshop panel will discuss when and how a company should consider opting to file a SUD.

Bios

Allan Hirsch

Chief Deputy Director, OEHHA

Allan Hirsch is Chief Deputy Director of the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), which is part of the California Environmental Protection Agency. OEHHA is California's lead agency for identifying hazards and assessing health risks posed by toxic environmental chemicals. In addition to being the lead agency for implementation of Proposition 65, the office conducts health risk assessments that are used by other California regulatory agencies to establish the state's drinking water and air-quality standards, and to regulate toxic air pollutants.

As Chief Deputy Director, Hirsch is responsible for day-to-day management of OEHHA. Before his 2007 appointment to his current position, Hirsch oversaw the office's external communications and legislative functions, starting in 1999. He previously handled communications functions for the California Air Resources Board and Department of Toxic Substances Control.

Hirsch is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, where he received degrees in economics and geography.

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Mike Easter
Principal, EnSight

Mike Easter is a Principal at EnSIGHT and provides toxicology and risk assessment support. He has been involved with Proposition 65 since the late 1980's and assists clients with Proposition 65 compliance and litigation defense, including one of the few Proposition 65 cases reaching the Court of Appeals, DiPirro v. Bondo Corp.

He has represented clients who have successfully obtained Safe Use Determinations for crystalline silica in pet litter, and for di-isobutyl phthalate (DINP) in vinyl flooring products, PVC roofing membrane, and modular vinyl carpet tiles.

Ann Grimaldi
Principal, Grimaldi Law Offices

Ann maintains a diverse practice centered on chemical regulation, with primary focus on Proposition 65, California's Green Chemistry Initiative/Safer Consumer Products Regulations, nanomaterial regulation, and the federal Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Her client base consists of entities operating at every point across supply chains, from chemical manufacturers to consumer product retailers, and in a variety of industries including pesticides, life sciences, cannabis, art materials, furniture, plumbing products and more.

With 20 years of experience representing companies in Proposition 65 matters, Ann has deep knowledge of the law and its enforcement. On the litigation side, Ann has resolved hundreds of Proposition 65 claims and has defended a broad range of entities in Proposition 65 lawsuits, including chemical manufacturers, consumer product distributors and defense companies, through appeal. Most recently, Ann resolved a Proposition 65 claim brought against a cannabis dispensary by the Sonoma County District Attorney's Office.

On the compliance side, Ann consults carefully with clients to understand the nature of their business operations, supply chains and cultures, and provides practical compliance advice and in-house training. She advises numerous cannabis businesses on Proposition 65 issues. Ann's Proposition 65 litigation experience is an invaluable foundation for her compliance counseling services.

Prior to opening her own law practice, Ann was a partner at McKenna Long & Aldridge (now Dentons). She graduated magna cum laude from the University of California Hastings College of the Law. Before studying law, Ann worked for several years as a research associate in the fields of molecular biology and cell biology, primarily at the University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine. She has published in The Journal of Cell Biology and in Current Protocols of Molecular Biology.

Martha Sandy
Chief, Reproductive & Cancer Hazard Assessment Branch, OEHHA

Dr. Sandy is Chief of the Reproductive and Cancer Hazard Assessment Branch in the California Environmental Protection Agency's (Cal/EPA) Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). Dr. Sandy's Branch conducts scientific evaluations of the risks of cancer and reproductive hazards from exposure to chemicals present in environmental media, food, fuels and consumer products, and works collaboratively with California's Department of Public Health and Department of Toxic Substances Control to implement California's biomonitoring program.

Prior to joining OEHHA, she conducted research investigating biochemical and genetic susceptibility factors in Parkinson's disease, and biochemical and molecular mechanisms of toxicity and carcinogenicity. She has served on several scientific committees for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the National Toxicology Program, and the National Academy of Sciences. Dr. Sandy has a Ph.D. and an M.P.H. in Environmental Health Sciences, with an emphasis in Toxicology, from the University of California, Berkeley's School of Public Health.