

<b>CDO Recommended Legal Professional Associations</b>					
As of 3/23/2011					
<b>Field of Law/Association Type</b>	<b>Association</b>	<b>URL</b>			
<b>Civil Rights</b>	American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)	<a href="http://www.aclunc.org/">http://www.aclunc.org/</a>			
<b>Consumer Law</b>	Consumer Attorneys of California	<a href="http://www.caoc.com/CA/index.cfm?">http://www.caoc.com/CA/index.cfm?</a>			
	National Association of Consumer Advocates	<a href="http://www.naca.net/">http://www.naca.net/</a>			
<b>Community &amp; Economic Development</b>	American Planning Association	<a href="http://www.planning.org/">http://www.planning.org/</a>			
	American Planning Association, CA Chapter	<a href="http://www.calapa.org/">http://www.calapa.org/</a>			
<b>Consumer</b>	Consumer Attorneys of California (CAOC)	<a href="http://www.caoc.com/CA/">http://www.caoc.com/CA/</a>			
<b>Corporate</b>	Association of Corporate Counsel†	<a href="http://www.acc.com/">http://www.acc.com/</a>			
	Association of Corporate Counsel SF Bay Area	<a href="http://www.acc.com/chapters/sfbay/">http://www.acc.com/chapters/sfbay/</a>			
	Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA)	<a href="http://www.mcca.com/">http://www.mcca.com/</a>			
	Net Impact (Corporate Social Responsibility)	<a href="http://www.netimpact.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1">http://www.netimpact.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1</a>			
<b>Criminal Law</b>	California District Attorneys Association*	<a href="http://www.cdaa.org/">http://www.cdaa.org/</a>			
	National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers	<a href="http://www.criminaljustice.org/public.nsf/freeform/publicwelcome?opendocument">http://www.criminaljustice.org/public.nsf/freeform/publicwelcome?opendocument</a>			
	California Attorneys for Criminal Justice	<a href="http://www.cacj.org/">http://www.cacj.org/</a>			
	National Legal Aid & Defender Association	<a href="http://www.nlada.org/">http://www.nlada.org/</a>			
	Women Defenders	<a href="http://womendefenders.org/">http://womendefenders.org/</a>			
<b>Defamation, Libel, Slander</b>	California Defamation Lawyers Association	<a href="http://www.californiadefamationlawyersassociation.com/">http://www.californiadefamationlawyersassociation.com/</a>			
<b>Employment &amp; Labor Law (plaintiff-side)</b>	National Association of Employment Law Attorneys	<a href="http://www.nela.org/NELA/index.cfm">http://www.nela.org/NELA/index.cfm</a>			
	California Association of Employment Law Attorneys	<a href="http://www.cela.org/">http://www.cela.org/</a>			
<b>Environmental Law</b>	American Bar Association, Section on Environment, Natural Resources & Energy	<a href="http://www.abanet.org/environ/">http://www.abanet.org/environ/</a>			
	California Bar Association, Environmental Law Section	<a href="http://www.calbar.ca.gov/state/calbar/calbar_generic.jsp?cid=10704">http://www.calbar.ca.gov/state/calbar/calbar_generic.jsp?cid=10704</a>			
	American College of Environmental Lawyers†	<a href="http://www.acoel.org/">http://www.acoel.org/</a>			
<b>Family Law</b>	National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (Nor Cal Chapter)	<a href="http://calnaela.org/">http://calnaela.org/</a>			
<b>Health Care</b>	American Health Lawyers Association	<a href="http://www.healthlawyers.org/Pages/Default.aspx">http://www.healthlawyers.org/Pages/Default.aspx</a>			
	California Society for Health Care Attorneys	<a href="http://csha.calhealth.org/">http://csha.calhealth.org/</a>			
<b>Identity-Based</b>	Queens Bench	<a href="http://www.queensbench.org/">http://www.queensbench.org/</a>			
	Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF)	<a href="http://www.balif.org/">http://www.balif.org/</a>			
	National LGBT Bar Association	<a href="http://www.lgbtbar.org/">http://www.lgbtbar.org/</a>			
	Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area	<a href="http://www.aaba-bay.com/aaba/showpage.asp?code=home">http://www.aaba-bay.com/aaba/showpage.asp?code=home</a>			
	National Bar Association	<a href="http://www.nationalbar.org/index2.shtml">http://www.nationalbar.org/index2.shtml</a>			
	American Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division	<a href="http://www.abanet.org/yld/">http://www.abanet.org/yld/</a>			
	Filipino Bar Association of Northern California	<a href="http://fbanc.org/">http://fbanc.org/</a>			
<b>Ideological/Multi-Area Practice</b>	American Bar Association (see sections for specific practice areas)	<a href="http://www.abanet.org">http://www.abanet.org</a>			
	American Constitution Society for Law & Policy	<a href="http://www.americanconstitutionsociety.org/">http://www.americanconstitutionsociety.org/</a>			

	National Lawyers Guild, San Francisco Chapter	<a href="http://www.nlgf.org/">http://www.nlgf.org/</a>			
	Equal Justice Society	<a href="http://www.equaljusticesociety.org">http://www.equaljusticesociety.org</a>			
	Federalist Society for Law & Public Policy Studies	<a href="http://www.fed-soc.org/">http://www.fed-soc.org/</a>			
	National Democratic Law Students Council	<a href="http://www.lawschooldems.org/index.php/chapter">http://www.lawschooldems.org/index.php/chapter</a>			
<b>Immigration</b>	American Immigration Lawyers Association	<a href="http://www.aila.org/">http://www.aila.org/</a>			
<b>Indian Law</b>	California Indian Law Association	<a href="http://www.calindianlaw.org/">http://www.calindianlaw.org/</a>			
	Federal Bar Association, Indian Law Section	<a href="http://www.fedbar.org/sectdiv.html#anchor1698938">http://www.fedbar.org/sectdiv.html#anchor1698938</a>			
<b>Intellectual Property</b>	International Trademark Association	<a href="http://www.inta.org/">http://www.inta.org/</a>			
	American IP Lawyer Association	<a href="http://www.aipla.org/">http://www.aipla.org/</a>			
<b>International Law</b>	American Society of International Law	<a href="http://www.asil.org/index.cfm">http://www.asil.org/index.cfm</a>			
	International Law Association	<a href="http://www.ila-hq.org/">http://www.ila-hq.org/</a>			
	World Affairs Council--Young Professionals International Forum	<a href="http://www.itsyourworld.org/wac/Young_Professionals_International_Forum.asp">http://www.itsyourworld.org/wac/Young_Professionals_International_Forum.asp</a>			
	American Bar Association-International Law Section	<a href="http://www.abanet.org/intlaw/home.html">http://www.abanet.org/intlaw/home.html</a>			
	International Law Students Association	<a href="http://www.ilsa.org">http://www.ilsa.org</a>			
	International Bar Association	<a href="http://www.ibanet.org">http://www.ibanet.org</a>			
<b>Law Teaching</b>	Association of American Law Schools	<a href="http://www.aals.org/">http://www.aals.org/</a>			
<b>Networking via Continuing Legal Education</b>	Practicing Law Institute	<a href="http://www.pli.edu/">http://www.pli.edu/</a>			
	Minimum Continuing Legal Education (MCLE)	<a href="http://members.calbar.ca.gov/search/cert.aspx">http://members.calbar.ca.gov/search/cert.aspx</a>			
<b>Political/Election Law</b>	California Political Attorney Association	<a href="http://www.cpaonline.com/index.php">http://www.cpaonline.com/index.php</a>			
<b>Small &amp; Medium Plaintiffs Attorneys</b>	San Francisco Trial Lawyers Association	<a href="http://www.sftla.org/SF/">http://www.sftla.org/SF/</a>			
	National Lawyers Guild, San Francisco	<a href="http://www.nlgf.org">http://www.nlgf.org</a>			
<b>Sports &amp; Entertainment</b>	Los Angeles Bar Association	<a href="http://www.lacba.org/">http://www.lacba.org/</a>			
	Black Entertainment & Sports Lawyers Association	<a href="http://www.besla.org/">http://www.besla.org/</a>			
	California Lawyers for the Arts	<a href="http://calawyersforthearts.org/index.html">http://calawyersforthearts.org/index.html</a>			
<b>Technology</b>	San Mateo County Bar Association	<a href="http://www.smcba.org/">http://www.smcba.org/</a>			
	Silicon Valley Bar Association	<a href="http://www.svba.org/">http://www.svba.org/</a>			
	Palo Alto Area Bar Association	<a href="http://www.paaba.org/">http://www.paaba.org/</a>			
<b>External Professional Association Lists:</b>					
	<a href="http://www.weddles.com/associations/results.cfm?Industry=64">http://www.weddles.com/associations/results.cfm?Industry=64</a>				
	<a href="http://www.megalaw.com/orgs/orgs.php">http://www.megalaw.com/orgs/orgs.php</a>				
	‡ students not eligible for membership, but some chapter events are open to students & students get discounted rate on monthly newsletter				
	* only open to students who are currently law clerks or interns at prosecutorial agencies				
	† membership only open to practicing attorneys, but website provides a wealth of information, including slides from presentations and a membership directory				