

# INTER-PACIFIC BAR ASSOCIATION

18TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
APRIL 27 – APRIL 30, 2008
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A.



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CONFERENCE PREVIEW

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# CONFERENCE THEME MANY BORDERS. ONE WORLD.™

Different laws, different languages, different cultures, different ideas. And yet in the Internet age, consumers and businesses alike demand the ability to access whatever they want, whenever and wherever they want it. Across oceans and continents, business leaders and the attorneys who support them must strive to bridge all borders, tapping into worldwide resources and executing seamless business processes in order to succeed in the global economy.

The IPBA 2008 Annual Conference in Los Angeles will help business attorneys – and through them, their clients – navigate the vast and fluid waters of Asia-Pacific-related business law, turning obstacles into opportunities at the lightening-quick speed of the 21st century.

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The IPBA 2008 Annual Conference educational program will begin with the traditional welcome ceremony and plenary session on Monday morning, April 28. The Conference will feature strong, substantive educational programs presented by the 17 IPBA committees, as well as a high-profile keynote address and panel discussion during the plenary session. The Conference will conclude on Wednesday, April 30, with the Corporate Counsel Forum and Host Committee receptions.





#### INVITED TO ATTEND

California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and City of Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa have been invited to participate in the Welcome Ceremony and Plenary Session on Monday, April 28.

# CORPORATE COUNSEL FORUM PRESENTED IN COOPERATION WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF CORPORATE COUNSEL (ACC)

Whether you are in-house or outside counsel, if your client requires legal work across borders, and you are not locally admitted or fully versed in the rules regulating your practice "incursions" into jurisdictions where you're not admitted, you are exposing your client to risk and yourself to possible professional and personal sanctions. Cross-border professional regulation is an emerging field, confused by the fact that most jurisdictions' rules and guidance are based on concepts related to regulation defined by geographic boundaries, when clients' business needs are "beyond borders".

This Corporate Counsel Forum, presented in cooperation with the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC), will feature experts on international multi-jurisdictional practice (MJP), as well as in-house and outside counsel for multi-national corporations, who will share practical ideas and experience regarding cross-border legal practice for clients and the in-house and outside counsel who represent them.

#### PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

#### Saturday April 26, 2008

IPBA Council and Officer Meetings

# Sunday, April 27, 2008

- IPBA Council and Officer Meetings
- Registration
- Scholars/New Members/Women Business Lawyers Reception
- · Welcome Reception

# Monday, April 28, 2008

- Opening Ceremony
- Plenary Session
- · Concurrent Sessions
- Getty Center Gala

# Tuesday, April 29, 2008

- · Concurrent Sessions
- · Sony Studios Farewell Gala

# Wednesday, April 30, 2008

- · Concurrent Sessions
- · Annual General Meeting
- Corporate Counsel Forum
- Host Committee Firm Receptions

# Thursday, May 1, 2008

· Annual IPBA Golf Tournament



#### WELCOME RECEPTION



A welcome reception will be held on Sunday, April 27, at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza Reflecting Pools and Garden. The reception will offer Conference delegates and accompanying persons an opportunity to gather, meet fellow colleagues, and renew friendships. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served underneath the beautiful Los Angeles sky as we give this outdoor area an elegant atmosphere for everyone to enjoy.

# **GETTY CENTER GALA**



A festive event is being planned for Monday, April 28, at the Getty Center, a premier Los Angeles venue and world-class museum. Opportunities to hold events at the Getty are limited and exclusive. Conference delegates and accompanying persons will enjoy an exquisite dining experience in the museum's courtyard. As well as having access to the Getty's spectacular grounds during the evening, IPBA guests will enjoy exclusive entry to the West Pavilion and Special Exhibitions Pavilion.

The West Pavilion is home to world renowned 19th-century European paintings including Van Gogh's *Irises* and works by Monet, Manet, Degas, and Cézanne; 18th- and 19th-century European sculpture, including a gallery devoted to works in terracotta; and a stunning assortment of Italian furniture, ceramics, and gilt-bronze objects from the mid-17th to the end of the 18th century. There will be a premiere presentation in the Special Exhibitions Pavilion that is the first comprehensive survey of video art emerging from Northern and Southern California in the late 1960s up to the present.

# SONY STUDIOS FAREWELL GALA



Conference delegates and accompanying persons will enjoy a red carpet affair at Sony Studios on Tuesday, April 29. In addition to enjoying dinner presented by internationally acclaimed chef Wolfgang Puck, guests will have the opportunity to mingle with Hollywood look-alikes and participate in a guided tour of the Sony back lot.

During the tour, participants will hear stories from famous film and television productions that have graced the historic Sony lot, such as *The Wizard of Oz, Men in Black*, and *Spider-Man*. Guests will see the sets of current film or television productions, hearing tales of days gone by. The wide variety of activity at the studio guarantees that no two tours will be alike, and you never know what – or who – might be just around the corner!

#### ANNUAL IPBA GOLF TOURNAMENT

On Thursday, May 1, the IPBA 2008 Annual Conference will host a golf tournament for its IPBA Conference delegates and accompanying persons. Current courses under consideration include Wilshire Country Club, Trump National Golf Club, and Malibu Country Club. Players will enjoy a shotgun tournament format, which will be followed up by a cocktail reception to celebrate the players and hand out awards.

#### **ACCOMPANYING PERSONS PROGRAM**

The variety of activities in and around Southern California is almost limitless. Programs under consideration for accompanying persons include a tour of Hollywood, featuring the renowned Hollywood Walk of Fame; a tour of the Huntington Library; and an afternoon excursion to Rodeo Drive. In addition, accompanying persons will have the rare opportunity to visit the Getty Villa, an extension of the J. Paul Getty Museum, on April 30. The Villa features more than 1,200 works of art from the museum's extensive collection of Greek, Roman, and Etruscan antiquities.

# PRE/POST CONFERENCE TOURS AND ACTIVITIES

Conference delegates and accompanying persons may partake in a number of tours and activities prior to and after the Conference, including both weekend tours and day trips. Weekend excursions under consideration include trips to Las Vegas and San Francisco, as well as a Napa Valley wine tour. Possible day trips include tours to Santa Barbara; a tour of Downtown Los Angeles, including visits to Little Tokyo, Chinatown, Koreatown, and Thai Town; and a golf outing to the internationally renowned Riviera Country Club.

#### HYATT REGENCY CENTURY PLAZA



Surround yourself with contemporary glamour and style at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza. Perfectly situated on the fashionable Westside, adjacent to Beverly Hills, this legendary hotel recently completed a 30-million dollar renovation. All 726 guestrooms and suites have been fully refurbished and feature the sumptuous Hyatt Grand Bed, 32" LCD TV, iHome stereo and private lanais with panoramic views of the Los Angeles skyline and the Pacific Ocean. Additional enhancements include a one-of-a-kind, ground-level Regency Club; a Starbucks coffee bar; an Equinox Fitness Club and Spa; and X Bar, L.A.'s newest indoor/outdoor modern bar. The Century Plaza Hotel is a resort retreat in the midst of the city, and the choice of dignitaries for more than 40 years.

# Room Rates

Single/Double Occupancy: \$249 per day Century Suite: \$449 per day\*

\*based on availability

Room rates are exclusive of applicable state and local taxes, applicable service fees, and hotel-specific fees in effect at the hotel at the time of the Conference. Subject to hotel availability, the rates established will also be offered for an additional four days prior to and after the official Conference arrival and departure dates of April 27 and 30.

## **Hotel Contact Information**

Hyatt Regency Century Plaza 2025 Avenue of the Stars Los Angeles, CA 90067 U.S.A. U.S. Reservations: 1.800.233.1234 Intl. Reservations: +1.310.228.1234

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# **Parking**

Valet Parking: \$15 per day Self Parking: \$15 per day

## **How to Book Accommodations**



To reserve your accommodations, please contact Hyatt Regency Century Plaza Reservations at 1.800.233.1234 for U.S. callers and at +1.310.228.1234 for international callers, and mention the IPBA 2008 Annual Conference. You may also book your reservation online by visiting: www.centuryplaza.hyatt.com/groupbooking/laxcpipba2008. A credit card is necessary to make a reservation, but no deposit is required. The credit card will be charged upon hotel check-in. To guarantee room availability, please make your reservation no later than April 6, 2008.

# How to Change or Cancel a Hotel Booking

Please contact Hyatt Regency Century Plaza Reservations at 1.800.233.1234 for U.S. callers and at +1.310.228.1234 for international callers, and provide your confirmation number to change a booking. To receive a refund, accommodations must be cancelled 48 hours prior to your arrival date.

#### SPONSOR INFORMATION



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# **EXHIBITOR INFORMATION**

Exhibition opportunities are available in conjunction with the IPBA 2008 Annual Conference. The Exhibition will provide companies actively involved in providing services to the legal profession with the opportunity to showcase their products and services to a diverse range of decision-makers from countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region. For more information on how to exhibit at the Conference, please contact the Conference Executive Producer or visit www.ipba2008.com.

#### SPONSOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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## REGISTRATION

#### **HOW TO REGISTER**

Please register online by visiting www.ipba2008.com, and receive instant confirmation of your registration. Early Bird Registration will open in late 2007.

Delegates and accompanying persons may also register by submitting a registration form via postal mail, fax or email to the Conference Executive Producer using the contact information provided.

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# **ENTITLEMENTS**

# For Delegates

- · Admission to All Conference Sessions
- · Admission to the Exhibition
- Official Conference Documentation
- Conference Satchel
- Breakfasts, April 28-30
- Morning and Afternoon Teas, April 28-30
- · Lunches, April 28-29
- · Lunch and Annual Meeting, April 30
- Welcome Reception, April 27
- · Getty Center Gala, April 28
- Sony Studios Farewell Gala, April 29
- · Host Committee Receptions, April 30

# For Accompanying Persons

- Welcome Reception, April 27
- · Getty Center Gala, April 28
- Sony Studios Farewell Gala, April 29

# **CONFERENCE PRICING\***

#### For IPBA Members

Early Bird - \$1475

Regular - \$1650

On-site - \$1750

#### For Non-IPBA Members

Early Bird - \$1600

Regular - \$1725

On-site - \$1825

## For Young Lawyer Members\*\*

Early Bird - \$1300

Regular - \$1400

On-site - \$1500

## For Accompanying Persons

Early Bird - \$875

Regular - \$1000

On-site - \$1100

\*Rates are tentative and are subject to change. Final rates will be determined prior to the launch of Early Bird registration in late 2007. Early Bird rates are valid on or before January 31, 2008. Regular rates are valid on or before April 20, 2008. After April 20, on-site registration pricing will apply.

\*\*Maximum age for a Young Lawyer is 30 years old on April 27, 2008. Identification will be required during check-in at the Conference.

# PAYMENT OF FEES

Credit card payments may be made by MasterCard, Visa, American Express, and JCB. Credit card transactions will appear on your statement as follows: THR\* IPBA Event Registration.

U.S. residents may pay by eCheck if payment is made through the Conference Website, www.ipba2008.com. All checks must be made in U.S. dollars only and must be drawn from a U.S. bank. Checks should be made payable to the IPBA 2008 Annual Conference, Inc. Your name should by typed or printed clearly in the memo section of the check.

If you would like to pay by direct wire transfer, please contact the Conference Executive Producer.

# CANCELLATION AND REFUND SCHEDULE

A 50 percent refund will be made for cancellations made in writing and received by the Conference Executive Producer on or before February 28, 2008. After February 28, 2008, registration fees are non-refundable. Your registration may be transferred to another individual upon written request submitted to the Conference Executive Producer prior to April 20, 2008.

#### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

All persons entering the United States from overseas, including U.S. citizens, are required to have a passport. For information about the United States visa process, visit the U.S. State Department's U.S. Visas Website, www.travel.state.gov/visa. This will provide you with links to information about visas, processing time, locations, fees, forms, border country requirements, and photo requirements. This Website will also provide information for U.S. Embassies and Consulates worldwide. Obtaining a visa may be more stringent than in years past and may take longer to approve, so please begin the application process as soon as possible.

The Visa Waiver Program (VWP) enables nationals of certain countries to travel to the U.S for stays of 90 days or less without obtaining a visa. Visa waiver travelers from VWP countries must present a machine-readable passport at the U.S. port of entry to enter the U.S. without a visa. For the most updated information about the VWP and a list of eligible countries, please visit: www.travel.state.gov/visa/temp/without/ without 1990.

You may request a letter of invitation to attend the Conference from the Conference Executive Producer. Invitations are extended to assist you in obtaining travel funds or visas and do not imply a commitment of financial support. The letter will be issued upon registration confirmation.



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