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In June 2004, Public Counsel presented its William O. Douglas Award to CHIEF JUSTICE RONALD M. GEORGE. The William O. Douglas Award is presented annually to a distinguished person of national or international prominence who has exemplified the principles of equal access to justice, freedom of expression, and equal rights. Public Counsel, based in Los Angeles, is the largest pro bono law office in the nation.

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP announces that its Partner REX S. HEINKE has assumed the role of Litigation Section Manager for the firm's Los Angeles office. Mr. Heinke will also retain his role as head of Akin Gump's National Appellate and Litigation Strategy Group. As Section Manager, Mr. Heinke will oversee the strategic direction of the Los Angeles Litigation practice, which focuses on areas including intellectual property, securities, antitrust, complex business litigation, toxic torts, white collar, entertainment, class actions, and appellate matters.

PETER REICH reports that he moderated the Legal History Section panel "Forensic History and Historians as Experts" at the January 2005 annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools. Professor Reich

served as a panelist on a similar program sponsored by the California Supreme Court Historical Society at the 2001 State Bar of California Annual Meeting. The AALS panel explored historians' increasingly active role in litigation, and the conflicts this role can create for conscientious scholars.

The California Supreme Court Historical Society extends its condolences to the family of long-time member JUSTICE WILLIAM REPPY, who passed away on January 1, 2005, at the age of 92. Justice Reppy was appointed to the Ventura County Superior Court in 1955 by Governor Goodwin J. Knight. He served in this position until 1968, including three years as Presiding Judge. Governor Ronald Reagan then appointed him as a justice of the Court of Appeal in Division Five of the Second District, where Justice Reppy served until his retirement in 1972.

SCOTT WYLIE, Associate Dean of External Affairs and the John FitzRandolph Director of Clinics at Whittier Law School, has been selected as a Southern California Super Lawyer. The designation, which is voted on by 65,000 area attorneys and judged by a Blue Ribbon Panel, is presented to only the top five percent of attorneys in their field of practice. Dean Wylie was one of only four legal services attorneys so honored. In addition to this honor, Dean Wylie was elected as a vice-president of the Foundation of the State Bar of California in February 2005. He has served on the Board of the State Bar of California's philanthropic foundation for the past five years.



As a benefit of membership for 2005, members at the Judicial level* and higher will receive a DVD of the award-winning documentary, *Mendez v. Westminster: For All the Children / Para Todos los Niños*, produced by KOCE. Those at Granter level*** and above will also receive the book *Once Upon a Time in Los Angeles: The Trials of Earl Rogers*, by Michael Lance Trope.

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