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STANLEY S. BISSEY NAMED LOS ANGELES COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

He brings more than 20 years of successful member engagement and association management experience to LACBA

LOS ANGELES – December 7, 2017 – The Los Angeles County Bar Association (LACBA), one of the largest voluntary metropolitan bar associations in the country, is pleased to announce that its Board of Trustees has selected Stanley S. Bissey to serve as LACBA’s next Executive Director, effective January 16, 2018.

“We are thrilled that Stan has agreed to become the next Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Bar Association,” LACBA President Michael E. Meyer said. “He is a proven leader and visionary whose unique blend of qualifications and experience in the legal and association communities will benefit LACBA, our Sections, volunteers, and staff. The Officers and Board of Trustees look forward to working with Stan as we implement our vision and strategy for LACBA.”

"I am excited and eager to work with the LACBA leadership, the sections, the members, and the dedicated staff towards a resurgent county bar focused on surpassing the expectations of legal professionals in Los Angeles County and throughout California," Bissey said.

“Bringing Stan aboard as LACBA’s Executive Director is a natural continuation of the changes Michael Meyer and I implemented – along with the Board of Trustees - since taking over leadership less than five months ago. He represents the kind of change we were elected to bring. LACBA stands for openness and frankness in promoting the profession of law as well as serving all of the citizens of Los Angeles County. Stan is a great addition to our team,” LACBA President-elect Brian Kabateck said.

Bissey joins LACBA having served as the Executive Director and CEO of the California Judges Association (CJA), the largest private association of active and retired judicial officers in the country, since 2003, and as the Executive Director of the California Judges Foundation.

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In his current position, Bissey has created educational programs and member opportunities that have elevated the profile and impact of CJA. Most notably, beginning in 2005, he coordinated and helped lead numerous judicial educational and cultural visits to Mexico City, Morelia, Veracruz, Puebla, and Oaxaca, Mexico. Under his leadership, CJA members were instrumental in assisting and educating their Mexican colleagues on best practices in judicial administration as that country worked towards constitutionally mandated judicial reforms.

Bissey has built a legacy of leadership in numerous professional organizations from environmentalists to trial lawyers to physicians to judges and justices in California having served as the Assistant Executive Director of the San Francisco Medical Society, Membership Director of the National Employment Lawyers Association, and as the Membership and Communications Coordinator for the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association.

He is a dedicated member of the California Society of Association Executives, the European Society of Association Executives, the Association of Association Executives, and the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE), where he has served on numerous committees, section councils, and as faculty at local and national conferences. He is particularly proud of his term as the Chair of ASAE's Diversity and Inclusion Committee, where he and others worked to expand visibility and opportunity for emerging association leaders from underserved communities.

Bissey and his husband, Lucas, share a passion for travel and time with family in the United States and Germany, for indulging in epicurean adventures from food trucks to Michelin-starred restaurants and for the rare, quiet moment anticipating and planning their next great adventure.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Idaho State University.

About the Los Angeles County Bar Association

The Los Angeles County Bar Association (LACBA) is one of the largest voluntary metropolitan bar associations in the nation, with nearly 18,000 members. LACBA is engaged in advancing the administration of justice and meeting the professional needs of lawyers. For more information on LACBA, visit www.lacba.org.

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