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**Length**

Articles should be 2000-3000 words (approximately 8-10 double-spaced pages).

**Headings**

Articles should include a suggested headline. Short, succinct headlines have the most impact. Short sub-headings divide the article into easily defined sections.

**Author Information**

Byline should include all authors

Author biographical information (limit 30 words) should include firm, city, CAOC office held, areas of specialty.

**Gender Bias**

Articles should avoid gender bias. Examples should alternate between male and female when appropriate.

**Citations**

Authorities should be in the body of the text. Footnotes should comprise comments, not authorities. Authorities should be in compliance with the California Style Manual.

Case citation examples:

- *(Smith v. Johnson Manufacturing, supra, 123 Cal.App.3d at p. 457.)*
- *(Id., at p. 458.)*

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**Quotations**

Indent left margin of any quotation over 25 words long.

Quotations containing underlining, italics or bold must state: [Emphasis in original.] or [Emphasis added.]

All quotations must have a complete source citation immediately following.

**Abbreviations and Contractions**

Spell out all words completely in the body of the text; abbreviations are allowed within parentheses.

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