

***Join CASD for Lobby Day on May 1 in
Sacramento***

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CASD members need to get involved in the political process so that they know how our legislators view various consumer issues. We need to explain to our legislators what is important for the consumers of California and the effect that certain legislation will have on their constituents. The best way to do this is to join CASD Board members and other trial lawyers from across the state **for our annual Lobby Day. This year, Lobby Day is scheduled for Tuesday, May 1**, which coincides with Law Day.

Consumer Attorneys of California (“CAOC”) has arranged appointments with all of our state representatives on Lobby Day. The legislators are expecting us and are eager to meet with us. CAOC will prepare us on the issues and how best to present our positions.

CASD Members are grouped with other CAOC trial lawyers for scheduled meetings with individual legislators and their staff. The legislators have reserved the time to discuss the issues with us. Lobby Day is a chance to really make a difference! It is a chance to present your clients’ needs and to urge action on matters to protect their rights. This year, we have more legislators than ever in recent years who are ready to listen to what the consumers of California need and what can be done to protect their rights.

CASD is planning a major push for attendance at this year’s Lobby Day. Already at least 15 of our Board members have committed to attend. You can take an early morning flight to Sacramento and make it a one-day trip or you can go up the day before and participate in a golf tournament at Teal Bend Golf Course and attend a free MCLE Seminar put on by CAOC.

Lobby Day is your one chance to have the undivided attention of some of our state legislators. We owe it to our clients and our families to take this one day and go to Sacramento.

We need to give something of ourselves back to both consumers and our profession. **We really need to be more involved with the laws that affect our clients and our practices.** Business interests have clever plans to eliminate the rights of consumers. They have invented many roadblocks to close the courthouse to individuals -- things such as various forms of immunity for business and laws requiring that the loser in a case pays the other party’s legal fees. They have limited damages in medical provider cases and would like to extend MICRA to all forms of injury cases.

Join your fellow consumer attorneys in Sacramento and let our representatives know that you care. Let our representatives know that you will not sit back and accept the decimation of consumers’ rights by business interests. **Take one day and go to Sacramento to tell them we care**

and we won't support legislators who do not protect consumers.

Go to **www.CAOC.org** for a printable form to register for Lobby Day or call 916-442-6902 for more information. **See you on May 1!**