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9789/9793; Anselmo Valdez, vs. Mountain Bell Telephone Co., Public Service Co. of New Mexico, and City of Las Vegas, New Mexico

10027; Minnie Reeves, vs. James L. Wimberly

10455; Evelyn Fahr, vs. Aaron McGruder Trucking, Employer and Mountain States Mutual Casualty Company, Insurer

Membership Demographic Information Now Available

In December of last year, the 1988 membership dues forms were mailed. Included with this form was a section which requested various demographic information from the membership. The purpose for this request was to provide the staff of the State Bar the opportunity to advance the data base of information in an effort to better serve the attorneys of the state.

Information of this type is vitally important, not only for general use by the membership, but it also provides a basis for the various Committees of the State Bar to negotiate programs which are of considerable benefit to the profession.

The response was outstanding, ranging from 78.55% to 90.23%. For your efforts, the staff of the State Bar and the Board of Bar Commissioners sincerely thank you. In the upcoming months, you will begin to realize the benefits of being able to function from a data base that is improving as the membership assists with the necessary collection efforts.

The following graphs and tables provide membership information by gender, natures of practice, ethnicity, membership status, and firm size. In addition, this information is compiled by locations.

Within the next few months, the State Bar will be discussing with various interested organizations, an update of the 1983 Economic Survey. The combination of these two will produce a current and more sophisticated New Mexico attorney information base.



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Work Begins on 1988-89 Committee Appointments

President-Elect Charles A. Pharris has begun the process which will lead to committee appointments for the 1988-89 year. The following standing committees may have vacancies:

Advisory Opinions Alternative Methods of Dispute Resolution Bar Communications Continuing Legal Education Commission on Professionalism Fee Arbitration Judicial Selection Law of the Handicapped Law Office Economics Law Referral for the Elderly Lawyers' Professional Liability Legal/Dental/Osteopathic/ Podiatry

Legal Retreat Legislative Library Medical-Legal Grievance Medical-Legal Liaison Medical-Review Commission Personal Lines Insurance Pro Bono/Legal Services Technology Utilization Unauthorized Practice of Law

If you are interested in being considered for appointment, please send a letter of interest by July 1, 1988, to the State Bar office, c/o Administrator of Committees, P. O. Box 25883, Albuquerque, NM 87125.

Committee to Draft Rule to Govern Non-Lawyer Representation Before Administrative Agencies

A special study committee has been assigned the task of drafting a new rule to govern non-lawyer representation before administrative agencies. The next meeting of the study committee will be held June 11 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Bar office. This will be a working session to draft the rule. Members of the Bar are welcome to attend. On June 25 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2402 of the UNM School of Law, a second meeting will be held to receive comments on the draft rule. The draft rule will be published in the June 16 *Bar Bulletin* and revisions will be distributed at the June 25 meeting.

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STATE BAR OF NEW MEXICO 1988 LICENSE & MEMBERSHIP STATISTICAL INFORMATION

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 4,345

GENDER

(100% Response Rate)

	Active Instate	Active Out-of-State	Inactive	Total
MALE	2,617	333	409	3,359 (77.3%)
FEMALE	777	101	108	986 (22.7%)
TOTAL	3,394	434	517	4,345

TYPE OF PRACTICE

(82.9% Response Rate)

Activ	e Instate	Active Out-of-State	Inactive	Total
FIRM	1,898	169	101	2,168 (60.2%)
CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	55	33	24	112(3%)
GOVERNMENT AGENCY	550	55	72	677(18.8%)
OTHER	470	81	94	645 (17.9%)
TOTAL	2,973	338	291	3,602

ETHNICITY

(80% Response Rate)

	Active Instate	Active Out-of-State	Inactive	Total
ANGLO	2,338	265	285	2,888 (82.4%)
HISPANIC	400	23	16	439 (12.5%)
BLACK ASIAN AMERICAN/	11	2	3	16 (.45%)
PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN INDIAN/	8	4	5	17 (.49%)
NATIVE ALASKAN	30	24	6	60 (1.7%)
OTHER	68	8	8	84 (2.4%)
TOTAL	2,855	326	323	3,504

NUMBER OF ATTORNEYS IN PRACTICE

(78.5% Response Rate)

	Active Instate	Active Out-of-State	Inactive	Total
SOLE PRACTITIONER	870	72	56	998 (29.2%)
2 - 5	776	72	48	896(26.3%)
6 - 9	320	24	20	364 (10.7%)
10 - 19	221	39	17	277 (8.1%)
20 - 99	676	61	40	777 (22.8%)
100 OR MORE	14	48	39	101 (3%)
TOTAL	2,877	316	220	3,413

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Information	tion		ATTORNEY			HISPANIC	1201
			GRAPHIC IN	FORM	ATION	BLACK	191
(continued from	n page 8)					ASIAN AMERICAN/	12
	****		ACTIVE INST	FATE P	RIVATE	PACIFIC ISLANDER	7
GOVERNME	ENT ATT	ORNEY	PRACTICE A	ATTOR	NEY	AMERICAN INDIAN/	/
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			TOTAL - 563	ie nale		OTHER	16 34
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		_	AGE		FEMALE	YEARS OF PRACTICE	
90.2% Respo		ite	20-25	2	CEMALE 0	0-3 YEARS	185
ACTIVE INS	TATE		26-30	127	57	4-10 YEARS	646
GOVERNME	NT ATT	ORNEY	31-40	868	346	11-20 YEARS	646 645
TOTAL - 563			41-50	744	546 144	21-30 YEARS	
MALE - 363	EEMA	LE - 200	51-60	252	21	31-40 YEARS	184
AGE		FEMALE	OVER 60	232	21	41-50 YEARS	123
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41-50	159				408	TYPE OF PRACTICE	100
41-50 51-60		55	HISPANIC	249	52	FIRM	1085
	39	10	BLACK	5	2	CORPORATION LAW DEP	
OVER 60	26	3	ASIAN AMERIC	-	-	GOVERNMENT AGENCY	224
ETUNIO			PACIFIC ISLAN		0	OTHER	266
ETHNIC		FEMALE	AMERICAN INI	•	_		
ANGLO	236	142	NATIVE ALASK		7	SIZE OF PRACTICE	
HISPANIC	74	25	OTHER	63	5	SOLE PRACTITIONER	482
BLACK	0	2				2-5	366
ASIAN AMERIC	•	-	YEARS OF PRA			6-9	136
PACIFIC ISLAN		3			FEMALE	10-19	89
AMERICAN IN	•		0-3 YEARS	133	83	20-99	471
NATIVE ALASI		6	4-10 YEARS	627	320	100 OR MORE	11
OTHER	13	3	11-20 YEARS	901	153		
			21-30 YEARS	293	11	ACTIVE INSTATE	
YEARS OF			31-40 YEARS	205	8	LAS CRUCES ATTOR	NEYS
PRACTICE		FEMALE	41-50 YEARS	65	0	82.1% Response Rate	
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			ACTIVE INST			OVER 60	13
			ALBUQUERG	UE		O VER OU	15
			ATTORNEYS			ETHNIC	
			TOTAL - 1822			ANGLO	75
			MALE - 1365		- 457	HISPANIC	31
			AGE			BLACK	0
			20-25		A	ASIAN AMERICAN/	U
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			OVER 60		129	(continued on page 10)	
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Demographic Information (continued from page 9)	31-40 YEARS 41-50 YEARS OVER 50 YEARS TYPE OF PRACTICE	32 11 4	SIZE OF PRACTICE SOLE PRACTITIONER 2-5 6-9 10-19	13 33 7 0
YEARS OF PRACTICE		334	20-99	36
0-3 YEARS 12	CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	4	100 OR MORE	0
4-10 YEARS 46	GOVERNMENT AGENCY	182		
11-20 YEARS 51	OTHER	69	ACTIVE INSTATE CLOVI	S
21-30 YEARS 11			ATTORNEY	
31-40 YEARS 12	SIZE OF PRACTICE		87.5% Response Rate	
41-50 YEARS 2		132	TOTAL - 40	
OVER 50 YEARS 0	2-5 6-9	110	MALE - 36 FEMALE -	4
	10-19	88	AGE	
TYPE OF PRACTICE	-	84	20-25	0
FIRM 77	100 OR MORE	158 2	26-30	4
CORPORATION LAW DEPT. 1	100 OK MOKE	2	31-40	12
GOVERNMENT AGENCY 17	ACTIVE INSTATE		41-50	10
OTHER 18	8		51-60	9
	ROSWELL ATTORNEY		OVER 60	5
SIZE OF PRACTICE SOLE PRACTITIONER 29	86.1% Response Rate			
SOLE PRACTITIONER 29 2-5 31	TOTAL - 108	•	ETHNIC	
6-9 20	MALE - 98 FEMALE - 1 AGE	U	ANGLO	31
10-19 22	20-25	0	HISPANIC BLACK	4
20-99 6	26-30	14	ASIAN AMERICAN/	0
100 OR MORE 0	31-40	49	PACIFIC ISLANDER	0
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	41-50	20	AMERICAN INDIAN/	0
ACTIVE INSTATE	51-60	8	NATIVE ALASKAN	0
SANTA FE ATTORNEY	OVER 60	17	OTHER	Ő
84.5% Response Rate				
TOTAL - 1822	ETHNIC		YEARS OF PRACTICE	
MALE - 478 FEMALE - 187	ANGLO	82	0-3 YEARS	4
AGE	HISPANIC	6	4-10 YEARS	11
20-25 2	BLACK	0	11-20 YEARS	8
26-30 41	ASIAN AMERICAN/ PACIFIC ISLANDER	0	21-30 YEARS	9
31-40 293	AMERICAN INDIAN/	0	31-40 YEARS 41-50 YEARS	6
41-50 234	NATIVE ALASKAN	1	OVER 50 YEARS	1 1
51-60 52 OVER 60 43	OTHER	4	OVER 30 TEARS	T
OVER 60 43		•	TYPE OF PRACTICE	
ETHNIC	YEARS OF PRACTICE		FIRM	22
ANGLO 469	0-3 YEARS	8	CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	0
HISPANIC 79	4-10 YEARS	40	GOVERNMENT AGENCY	10
BLACK 0	11-20 YEARS	31	OTHER	4
ASIAN AMERICAN/	21-30 YEARS	10		
ACIFIC ISLANDER 1	31-40 YEARS	9	SIZE OF PRACTICE	
AMERICAN INDIAN/	41-50 YEARS	7	SOLE PRACTITIONER	13
NATIVE ALASKAN 1	OVER 50 YEARS	3	2-5	17
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	CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	1	100 OR MORE	0
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4-10 YEARS 225 11-20 YEARS 277	OTHER	8		
21-30 YEARS 74		-		
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Demographic		ACTIVE INSTATE GALL ATTORNEY	UP	ACTIVE INSTATE HOBE	BS
Information		83.3% Response Rate			
		TOTAL - 30		87.5% Response Rate TOTAL - 40	
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ACTIVE INSTATE		AGE	U	AGE	1
		20-25	0	20-25	0
FARMINGTON ATTORN	EY	26-30	2	26-30	3
94.1% Response Rate		31-40	13	31-40	12
TOTAL - 68	-	41-50	7	41-50	13
MALE - 65 FEMALE -	3	51-60	6	51-60	6
AGE	0	OVER 60	2	OVER 60	6
20-25 26-30	0				
31-40	5 30	ETHNIC		ETHNIC	
41-50	30 19	ANGLO	20	ANGLO	32
51-60	5	HISPANIC	2	HISPANIC	1
OVER 60	9	BLACK	0	BLACK	0
OVER 00	9	ASIAN AMERICAN/		ASIAN AMERICAN/PACIFIC	2
ETHNIC		PACIFIC ISLANDER	0	ISLANDER	0
ANGLO	53	AMERICAN INDIAN/		AMERICAN INDIAN/NATIV	Έ
HISPANIC	4	NATIVE ALASKAN	1	ALASKAN	0
BLACK	0	OTHER	2	OTHER	2
ASIAN AMERICAN/	Ū				
PACIFIC ISLANDER	0	YEARS OF PRACTICE		YEARS OF PRACTICE	
AMERICAN INDIAN/	Ũ	0-3 YEARS	3	0-3 YEARS	2
NATIVE ALASKAN	1	4-10 YEARS	7	4-10 YEARS	8
OTHER	3	11-20 YEARS	11	11-20 YEARS	14
		21-30 YEARS	2	21-30 YEARS	6
YEARS OF PRACTICE		31-40 YEARS 41-50 YEARS	6 0	31-40 YEARS 41-50 YEARS	6
0-3 YEARS	5	OVER 50 YEARS	1	OVER 50 YEARS	4 0
4-10 YEARS	23	OVER 50 TEARS	1	OVER 50 TEARS	U
11-20 YEARS	24	TYPE OF PRACTICE		TYPE OF PRACTICE	
21-30 YEARS	4	FIRM	16	FIRM	29
31-40 YEARS	9	CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	0	CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	29
41-50 YEARS	1	GOVERNMENT AGENCY	7	GOVERNMENT AGENCY	2
OVER 50 YEARS	2	OTHER	5	OTHER	6
			0		0
TYPE OF PRACTICE		SIZE OF PRACTICE		SIZE OF PRACTICE	
FIRM	46	SOLE PRACTITIONER	11	SOLE PRACTITIONER	17
CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	1	2-5	15	2-5	10
GOVERNMENT AGENCY	11	6-9	1	6-9	7
OTHER	4	10-19	0	10-19	0
		20-99	0	20-99	1
SIZE OF PRACTICE SOLE PRACTITIONER	18	100 OR MORE	0	100 OR MORE	0
2-5	18 23				
6-9	23 14				
10-19	14				
20-99	5				
100 OR MORE	0				
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Local Bar Associations Schedule Meetings

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Albuquerque Bar Association - (All luncheon meetings)
July 5 Aug. 2 Sept. 6 Oct. 4 Nov. 1 Dec. 6
Cibola County Bar Association
July 20 Aug. 17 Sept. 21 Oct. 19 Nov. 16 Dec. 21
All meetings at 12:00 noon
Curry-Roosevelt County Bar Association
Varied meetings times and places. Contact Nicholas Kennedy for more
information.
First Judicial District Bar
June 20 July 18 Sept. 19 Oct. 17 Nov. 21 January 16, 1989
All meetings are at 12:00 noon at La Fonda in Santa Fe.
Fourth Judicial District Bar Association
First Thursday of each month at El Rialto Restaurant, Meeting Room in Las Vegas.
Grant County Bar Association
July 4 Aug. 1 Sept. 5 Oct. 3 Nov. 7 Dec. 5
Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 12:00 noon at Red Barn
Restaurant in Silver City.
Otero County Bar Association
July 11 Aug. 1 Sept. 12 Oct. 3 Nov. 7 Dec. 5
Quay County Bar Association
Third Tuesday of each month at noon.
San Juan County Bar Association
July 21 Aug. 18 Sept. 15 Oct. 2 Nov. 17 Dec. 15
Meetings are every third Thursday of each month at noon at the San Juan Country
Club in Farmington.
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Information
Please note the following corrections to the Demographic Information printed in last week's Bar Bulletin. The following graph replaces that printed

printed in last week's <u>Bar Bulletin</u>. The following graph replaces that printed on page 4, bottom right corner.

Also on page 10, first column, the Santa Fe Attorney total is 665.



Insta-Cite Service on WESTLAW

On March 22, 1988, the New Mexico Supreme Court issued an opinion in Russell v. Protective Insurance Co., 751 P.2d 693, which superceded a 1982 case, Dickson v. Mountain States, 98 N.M. 479, 650 P.2d 1. Westlaw users who checked the <u>Dickson</u> cite on the Insta-Cite service found out that <u>Dickson</u> was no longer good law within days of the release of the <u>Russell</u> opinion by the Court. The impact of this ruling was revealed by Insta-Cite even before the <u>Russell</u> opinion was published in the <u>Bar Bulletin</u>.

Shepards does not yet show that <u>Dickson</u> has been superceded, and will not until July or August. Many attorneys are now aware of this lag in reporting critical developments on Shepards. When everyone relied on Shepards alone, the lag didn't matter. But now with developments being reported within days on the Westlaw Insta-Cite Service, the lag is a danger to the unwary attorney.

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Hot Tip



New Directions - The IRS

Audio Tape \$15.00 - 1 ethics credit Family Law Institute Audio Tape \$75.00 15.9 MCLE Credits includes 1 ethics Send your request in writing along with payment to CLE office.

Demographic		ACTIVE INSTATE GALLU	JP	ACTIVE INSTATE HOBB	S
Information				87.5% Response Rate	
		83.3% Response Rate		TOTAL - 40	
(continued from page 10)		TOTAL - 30	~		
		MALE - 24 FEMALE -	0	MALE - 39 FEMALE -	1
ACTIVE INSTATE		AGE	0	AGE	
FARMINGTON ATTORNEY	/	20-25	0 2	20-25 26-30	
94.1% Response Rate		26-30	13	31-40	
TOTAL - 68		31-40	13	41-50	
MALE - 65 FEMALE - 3		41-50		41-50 51-60	
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	53	AMERICAN INDIAN/	4	AMERICAN INDIAN/NATIV	E
HISPANIC	4	NATIVE ALASKAN	1	ALASKAN	
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PACIFIC ISLANDER	0	YEARS OF PRACTICE	2	YEARS OF PRACTICE	
AMERICAN INDIAN/	Ŭ	0-3 YEARS	3	0-3 YEARS	
NATIVE ALASKAN	1	4-10 YEARS	7	4-10 YEARS	
OTHER	3	11-20 YEARS	11	11-20 YEARS	
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YEARS OF PRACTICE		31-40 YEARS	6	31-40 YEARS	
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	23	OVER 50 YEARS	1	OVER 50 YEARS	
	24				
21-30 YEARS	4	TYPE OF PRACTICE	17	TYPE OF PRACTICE	
31-40 YEARS	9	FIRM	16	FIRM	
41-50 YEARS	1	CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	0 7	CORPORATION LAW DEPT. GOVERNMENT AGENCY	
OVER 50 YEARS	2	GOVERNMENT AGENCY	5	OTHER	
		OTHER	5	UTHER	
TYPE OF PRACTICE		SIZE OF PRACTICE		SIZE OF PRACTICE	
	46	SOLE PRACTITIONER	11	SOLE PRACTITIONER	
CORPORATION LAW DEPT.	1	2-5	15	2-5	
	11	2-5 6-9	15	6-9	
OTHER	4	10-19	0	10-19	
		20-99	0	20-99	
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6-9	14				
10-19	1				
20-99	5				
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