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Orange County Bar Association Installs Attorney Dimetria A. Jackson as President

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., Jan. 19, 2012 – The Orange County Bar Association (OCBA) will install Dimetria A. Jackson as its first female African American president during its 2012 OCBA Judges' Night and Annual Meeting tonight, Jan. 19, 2012, at the Irvine Marriott in Irvine.

Greenberg Traurig LLP's Wayne R. Gross and Thomas H. Bienert, Jr., of Bienert, Miller & Katzman, APLC, will assume the roles of President-Elect and Treasurer, respectively, as newly-elected Aitken Aitken Cohn's Ashleigh E. Aitken is sworn in as OCBA Secretary.

A graduate of Dartmouth College and the University of Virginia School of Law, Jackson is a freelance lawyer with Montage Legal Group and CEO of redBAMBINA.com, an online retail boutique catering to nursing and expectant women, babies, and children. In addition to her service on the OCBA's Judiciary, Finance, Education, Diversity & Equal Justice, Nominating, and Appointments Committees, Jackson has served on the California State Bar's Ethnic and Minority Relations Committee, the California Minority Counsel Program's Executive Committee, the Prentice School's Scholarship Committee, and the Boards of the Public Law Center, First American Federal Credit Union, and Pink Ladder, a non-profit committed to encouraging, empowering, and mentoring African American women personally and professionally. Jackson currently serves on the Boards of the OCBA Charitable Fund, the Orange County Bar Foundation, and InTouch Credit Union.

Hon. Carol D. Codrington of the California Court of Appeal, Fourth District, Division Two, will install Jackson along with the rest of the 2012 OCBA Officers, Directors, and Charitable Fund Directors during Judges' Night, the Association's largest annual event. A special highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Franklin G. West Award to Rutan & Tucker LLP's John B. Hurlbut, Jr.

About the Orange County Bar Association

Established in 1901, the Orange County Bar Association, with over 8,500 members, is one of the largest voluntary bars in California. The mission of the Orange County Bar Association is to enhance the system of justice, to support the lawyers who serve it, and to assist the community served by it.

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