

Berger Kahn Celebrates the 30th Anniversary of the Orange County Office

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IRVINE, CA – Berger Kahn opened its doors in Orange County 30 years ago, in 1984, with shareholders Craig Simon and Sherman Spitz moving from the firm's L.A. office at the request of a major client. The O.C. office has expanded and contracted over the years to service the varying needs of its clients, but the one thing that has remained constant is the commitment to exceptional legal work. While the lawyers are fierce advocates for their clients, the firm atmosphere was and is casual -- a place where the associates, partners, support staff, and clerks are treated as equals to the firm founders and owners.

Today, the O.C. office is the headquarters for the statewide firm which practices in the areas of Insurance, Subrogation, Employment, Litigation, Business and Personal Injury.

Berger Kahn grew as a firm to include four additional longtime shareholders and owners: Lance LaBelle, Stephan Cohn, Teresa Ponder, and David Ezra. The administrative staff is headed by Executive Director Beverli Linn (26 years), Controller Frances Perkins (24 years) and O.C. Office Manager Lynn Klinger (24 years).

The firm also pioneered many firsts in Orange County: the first law office to use exclusively Apple based computers (an all Mac office since 1984, where the hard drives held a whopping 1MB of data!) and the first firm to dress casually in jeans or similar clothes every day (not just casual Fridays).

Berger Kahn began in a unique way, and continues that spirit today as they celebrate the 30-year anniversary of their Orange County office. The firm is proud also to be celebrating 45 years since the inception of the firm, by founding partners Paul Berger and Chuck Kahn who opened the original office in Beverly Hills.

In addition to L.A. and O.C., the firm also has offices in Marin County and San Diego.

Very few boutique firms can claim similar longevity and the firm is proud that the same core group of attorneys and staff have created a legal family that has grown older together, with younger lawyers poised to carry the torch for many years to come beyond the current regime. "But not so fast" joked Shareholder Sherman Spitz.

ABOUT BERGER KAHN: Berger Kahn, A Law Corporation, is a California-based law firm with practice areas including insurance coverage and litigation, business litigation, labor and employment, serious personal injury and wrongful death, and subrogation. The firm has offices in Orange County, Los Angeles, San Diego, and the San Francisco Bay Area. www.bergerkahn.com

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