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Thomas H. Bienert, Jr.

Thomas H. Bienert, Jr. has been elected by members of the Orange County Bar Association to serve as the OCBA's Secretary for 2011. Mr. Bienert also has been named Orange County's "White-Collar Lawyer of the Year" for 2011 by Best Lawyers, the oldest and most respected peer-review publication in the legal profession. A former Chief of the Orange County Office of the United States Attorney, Mr. Bienert specializes in white-collar criminal defense and complex civil litigation matters, representing both individuals and corporations in state and federal courts.

In addition to his service with the U.S. Attorney's Office in Orange County, Mr. Bienert served as Chief of Criminal Complaints in the U.S. Attorney's Los Angeles Office and as Associate Independent Counsel in Washington, D.C., and practiced with Irell & Manella and Phelps Dunbar.

Mr. Bienert is a highly experienced trial attorney. His cases involve a wide variety of criminal and civil matters, including all types of fraud, civil rights violations, environmental crimes, health-care matters, public corruption, money laundering, contract disputes, copyright infringement, civil environmental matters, false advertising, trade secret violations, unfair competition and wrongful termination. He has worked on a number of high-profile matters, including the Independent Counsel investigation of President Clinton, the Orange County bankruptcy, the UCI fertility clinic matter, the Reginald Denny beating case during the 1992 Los Angeles riots, and the "Operation Big Spender" corruption investigation of L.A. Sheriff's Department deputies. His most recent trials have included multi-million dollar civil verdicts and, in criminal matters, the acquittal of his physician client after a two-month Medicare fraud trial, a mistrial for his client in the Peregrine Systems criminal financial fraud trial and a government dismissal of all charges in the middle of trial in a human trafficking case.

An honors graduate of Tulane University School of Law, where he was an editor of the Law Review and a member of the Order of Barristers, Mr. Bienert has been an adjunct professor at Loyola Law School and a frequent lecturer on legal issues. He is a former Lawyer Delegate to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference and has been recognized as one of the "Top 50 Lawyers in Orange County" by Super Lawyers magazine.