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Kihiczak Elected Chair of Law Revision Commission

Attorney Taras Kihiczak, of Los Angeles, has been elected Chairperson of the California Law Revision Commission. Attorney Crystal Miller-O'Brien, also of Los Angeles, has been elected to a second term as Vice-Chairperson. The term of office is one year, ending on August 31, 2016.

The Law Revision Commission is a state agency responsible for studying problem areas in California law and recommending needed reforms to the Governor and Legislature. The Commission's current workload includes studies of the application of mediation confidentiality in certain types of cases, government surveillance of electronic communications, defects and anachronisms in the Fish and Game Code, and the recognition of foreign money judgments.

Taras Kihiczak, the new Chairperson, was appointed to the Commission in 2012. He is a graduate of Swarthmore College. He received his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Mr. Kihiczak has been an attorney and shareholder at The Kick Law Firm APC since 1991. He was an attorney at Thelen Marrin Johnson and Bridges from 1989 to 1990.

Vice-Chairperson Crystal Miller-O'Brien was appointed to the Commission in 2011. She is a graduate of Oberlin College and received her Juris Doctorate degree from the Willamette University College of Law. Ms. Miller-O'Brien has served as corporate counsel for Medical Management Consultants, Inc. since 2006. She was an associate for Anderson McPharlin and Connors LLP from 2005 to 2006, for Robie and Matthai PC from 2003 to 2005, and for Bullivant Houser Bailey PC from 2002 to 2003. Miller-O'Brien served on the board of directors for the California Conference of Bar Associations from 2008 to 2011. She is a member of the Black Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles, the National Association of Women Business Owners, and the American Bar Association.
