
History of the AAML Southern California Chapter's Trial Advocacy Institute

The Southern California Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial lawyers is host to an annual Institute dedicated to promoting advanced trial practice. The Institute is sold out every year and carries a nationwide reputation for its three days of continuing education programs. The speakers and materials provide insight, education, and trial techniques tailored to the advanced practitioner. The institute is also well-known for its upscale venues, Friday night dine-around, and Saturday evening gala. The Dean of the Institute is responsible for selecting the venue, promoting the event, organizing the educational programs, and hosting the social events.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Dean(s)</u>
1994	La Costa Resort & Spa, La Costa	James Hennenhoefer Robert Woods
1995	Four Seasons, Newport Beach	Thomas Stabile
1996	Nikko Hotel, Los Angeles	Clifford Andereson
1997	La Costa Resort & Spa, La Costa	Nicholas Leto
1998	Hyatt Newporter, Newport Beach	Eleanor Stegmeier
1999	Miramar Sheraton, Santa Monica	Bruce Cooperman
2000	Hotel Del Coronado, Coronado Island	Janis Stocks
2001	Westin South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa	Edward Thomas
2002	Fairmont Miramar, Santa Monica	Suzanne Harris
2003	La Costa Country Club, La Costa	James Hennenhoefer
2004	Westin South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa	The Honorable Mark Millard Philip Seastrom Eleanor Stegmeier

2005	Loews, Santa Monica	Harold Stanton
2006	The Lodge at Torrey Pines, La Jolla	Sharon Blanchet
2007	The Balboa Bay Club, Newport Beach	Saul Gelbart Michael Morris
2008	Casa Del Mar, Santa Monica	Connolly Oyler
2009	The U.S. Grant Hotel, San Diego	Gordon Cruse
2010	The Balboa Bay Club, Newport Beach	Gregory Herring
2011	Casa Del Mar, Santa Monica	Emily Edelman