

This is a routine re-circulation for the benefit of new members and the memory-jogging of those needing it.

1. The list is unmoderated. If you are a member of the list and send an e-mail to the relevant address, your posting will (or should) appear promptly in the mailboxes of all members just as you wrote it. Most of the common-sense policies the group has evolved over the years are designed to maximize the benefits and reduce the costs of that feature.

2. Common courtesy dictates that whining, ranting, and raving be kept to an absolute minimum and that direct personal attacks on one another be avoided altogether. Gossip, rumors, and other idle chatter is also frowned upon by the group. The purpose of this list is to share practical information and relevant practice tips designed to enhance our practice of criminal defense law in San Diego County.

3. Before you post a message to the group, consider whether the message might be better addressed to an individual member. By default, replying to a message replies to the whole group. You can find a sender's personal address in the email header, which most email interfaces display at the top of the message.

4. The list is confidential and for the facilitation of defense work in criminal cases. All recipients are under an obligation to take reasonable measures to preserve the applicability of work product and similar protections. Although all members should maintain the confidentiality of the list, keep in mind that nothing that goes out over the internet is 100% safe.

5. Routine requests for address changes, account suspensions and similar items are implemented by Executive Director Ben Kington (bk@boyce-schaefer.com).

6. If you share news of a notable victory, please include details so others can learn from your experience. When replying to such a message, please send purely congratulatory messages personally.

7. When starting a new topic, please send a new email rather than replying to an existing message. To start a new topic, send an email just as you would to any other address to "sddefense@googlegroups.com"

8. The list has a searchable archive at <https://groups.google.com/> (Click "My Groups" then "San Diego Defense"). Answers to basic questions and templates for common pleadings can often be found here. Consider searching the archives before posting a request.

9. You are encouraged to include your full name, affiliation and contact info (as opposed to just an internet handle like Freeseveryone@aol.com) in postings.

Thank you.