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## 2017 CCBA Pfeiffer Awards to the Liebenbaums *by Mary J. Burroughs*



**Andi Liebenbaum and Lawrence F. Liebenbaum**

**A**ndi Liebenbaum, chair of the SCBA Delegation to the Conference of California Bar Associations (CCBA), was awarded the 2017 CCBA Pfeiffer Award, along with her father. The award is given to delegate attorneys who have made significant contributions to justice through the law as a result of their work with the Conference.

Ms. Liebenbaum and her father, **Lawrence F. Liebenbaum**, accepted the award at the CCBA Conference in Sacramento on October 6. Mr. Liebenbaum, prior to his retirement in 2006, was a leader in immigration law. In addition to representing internationally renowned film directors, cinematographers, and editors, he was active in the development of his field, giving lectures, writing text books, and speaking at the annual conference of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. Ms. Liebenbaum started her legal career in immigration law, environmental protection and advocacy, juvenile

dependency and delinquency, and a legal externship with the Second Appellate District of the California Court of Appeal. She transitioned into nonprofit management in the areas of workforce development and environmental protection throughout California, and led training missions for Peace Corps personnel in Central and South America, the Caribbean, and the South Pacific. After nearly 17 years, Ms. Liebenbaum took a position as a senior legislative analyst in the California Assembly. She currently works for the Judicial Council

of California in Governmental Affairs.

“Andi attended the same law school I did, just 25 years later,” said the elder Liebenbaum. “I got to present her with the JD when she graduated. And now we are being honored together by CCBA. I don’t think a father could be any prouder.”

This is the second consecutive year that an SCBA member and delegate has been recognized with the Pfeiffer Award. In 2016, **Diane Wasznicky** was recognized for her professional contributions to and leadership in family law. 