

As mentioned at the September and October meetings, membership in EPCDV has fallen by about one-third since 2010. Your Board has considered various options and alternatives to increase our membership. The Board has decided to submit to the membership for approval a change in the Bylaws to allow for an Associate Membership status which, it is hoped, will attract professionals working on their professional licensing designations. Additionally, the Board proposes to expand the current professional categories to include CFAs, CIMAs, CRPCs, court probate professionals, and wealth advisors (please see below).

We will vote on amending the bylaws at the November meeting. The EPCDV membership must approve these bylaw changes by two-thirds (2/3) of the members present.

Meeting Place: Lafayette Park Hotel, [3287 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette, CA](#)

Meeting Date: November 15, 2017

Meeting Time: 6:30 PM

It is proposed that the bylaws be changed as follows:

1. Adding new section II.3:

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Applicants for Associate Membership shall demonstrate they are clearly engaged in estate planning activities and are currently in the process of completing the requirements for at least one of the designations which will qualify her/him as an Active Member under II.2.a 1 - 8. Annual dues for the Associate Membership category shall be twenty percent (20%) of the annual dues charged an active designated member. At least one Active Member must sponsor an Associate Member's application which application is subject to Board review and approval. Associate Member applicants who qualify for active membership under II.2.a shall not be eligible for Associate Membership status. In no event shall a member qualify for Associate Membership status for more than three years.

2. Modifying existing section II.2.a. to state in its entirety (along with necessary, corresponding changes in numbers throughout the bylaws)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

a. There shall be nine (9) categories of active members:

1. Attorneys;
2. Certified Public Accountants (CPA);
3. Certified Financial Planners (CFP);
4. Chartered Financial Consultants (ChFC), Chartered Life Underwriters (CLU);
5. Trust Officers, Private Fiduciaries;
6. Certified Financial Analysts (CFA), Certified Investment Management Analysts (CIMA);
7. Financial Advisors, Wealth Advisors, Chartered Retirement Planning Counselors (CRPC);
8. Probate Referees, Judicial Officers, Mediators, Arbitrators, Probate Examiners;
9. Members-at-Large.

Respectfully,

Tim Hyden, Esq.

President, EPCDV 2017-2018

November 15, 2017

Lafayette Park Hotel 3287 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Lafayette, CA

6:00 P.M. Wine and Registration

6:30 P.M. Dinner and Speaker

Member Cost: \$55.00 dinner (preregister) / \$60.00 (at the door)

Guest Cost: \$60.00 dinner (preregister) / \$65.00 (at the door)

Please note all reservations and cancellations MUST be made no later than 2pm the Monday before the monthly meeting. If reservations are received after the Monday before the meeting, the cost will be considered at the door. Refunds will not be granted to cancellations that are received after Monday at 2pm. All cancellation requests and at the door registrations need to be made in writing to

EPCDiabloValley@gmail.com

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<https://www.123signup.com/register?id=hjzrd>

Dinner Menu

Salad

Baby Spinach Salad, Dried Cranberry, Shaved Red Onions, Feta Cheese, Herb

Entrée

Grilled Turkey Breast, served with Fresh Seasonal Vegetables and Appropriate Starch

Vegetarian

Butternut Squash Ravioli, served with Fresh Seasonal Vegetables and Appropriate Starch tomato sauce

Dessert

Pumpkin Cheesecake