BASF PRESIDENTS ENDORSE DIVERSITY GOALS



2004 BASF President Jon Streeter, Keker & Van Nest LLP talks with 1991 BASF President the Hon. Steven A. Brick, Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

Goals for 2010 call for more minority attorneys in the workforce

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Presidents of BASF for the past twenty-three years gathered for the semi-annual Past Presidents' Luncheon on March 14 at One Market Restaurant.

During each of their terms as president, many important issues came to the forefront. However, it has been the united effort by BASF to diversify the attorney workforce in San Francisco, which has spanned the course of time. During lunch, the past presidents voiced unanimous support for the 2010 Goals and Timetables for Minority Hiring and Advancement established last

October by the Diversity Task Force headed by 2005 President Jim Finberg and co-Chair Bill Lann Lee. The Goals for legal employers to diversify their attorney workforce by the year 2010 include 37 percent of associates and 15 percent of partners to be made up of members of minority groups. The Goals also call for 9 percent of the legal workforce to be made up of African American and Latino associates.

To date, 85 law firms, corporate legal departments and government law offices have recommitted to the 2010 goals as signatories. For a complete list or for more information, please visit www.sfbar.org/diversity.