

California Attorneys Urged to Update **Their Conflicts Procedures to Address** New Rule 1.18 of the California Rules of **Professional Conduct**

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Hinshaw attorney Joanna Storey authored an article titled "Time to Refresh Your Conflicts Check Procedures." Published by Legal by the Bay, News from The Bar Association of San Francisco and the Justice & Diversity Center, the article depicts a hypothetical conflicts check scenario, and explains how the new Rule 1.18 of the California Rules of Professional Conduct—set to take effect November 1, 2018—impacts this scenario.

Storey's key takeaway: before the rule takes effect, attorneys should refresh their conflicts procedures to address Rule 1.18 and mandate that prospective clients are added to their firm's conflicts database.

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