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ALL CALIFORNIA FORMS CHANGE EFFECTIVE JULY 1. VERSION 16.07.01 AVAILABLE JUNE 29TH.

Statute numbers change on all

CALIFORNIA notices.

Most of the changes are minor and intended to standardize and simplify the California lien laws into a new subdivisions-Civil Codes §§ 8100-9556. "Thirty CALIFORNIA notices were updated in PreLien2Lien" said Craig Altman, President of TRADITION SOFTWARE.



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"We have carefully rewritten each notice, updated the corresponding explanations in the Print Menu, and updated custom templates purchased previously by customers who

paid the \$50 template customization fee."

New Proof Of Service Declaration on most CALIFORNIA notices.

Users will need to adopt a new approach to documenting delivery of several notices. This includes sending by USPS certified mail the Owner, Direct Contractor and Lender copies, unless delivery is made by personal delivery OR by leaving the notice and mailing a copy in the manner provided in § 415.20 of the California Code of Civil Procedure for service of Summons and Complaint in a Civil Action.

General or Prime Contractors now referred to as Direct Contractors in CALIFORNIA.

Construction lingo and jargon varies from

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state to state. On all construction notices effective July 1, 2012, the contractor who is in direct contract with the Owner (Private Works) or Public Entity (Public Works) must be referred to in the notice as the Direct Contractor.

Direct Contractors must now send a Preliminary Notice when there

Lender on a project in CALIFORNIA. Having to send Preliminary Notices in the past has only been required of CALIFORNIA subcontractors. Effective July 1, 2012, Direct Contractors who work on a construction work of improvement that has a known lender will be required to send a Preliminary Notice to the Lender on both private and public projects.

1st Notice for Subcontractors and Direct Contractors now simply called Preliminary Notice in CALIFORNIA.

To eliminate the text inconsistencies that lien notices often have, the Private Works 1st notice is simply called a CALIFORNIA Preliminary Notice (Private Works). The Public Works notice is a CALIFORNIA Preliminary Notice (Public Works).

New Preliminary Notice for Public Works Projects in CALIFORNIA

Previously, Subcontractors in CALIFORNIA would use the same Preliminary Notice for both Private and Public projects. This was wrong, as the old notice had references to the recording of a lien, which cannot be done against Public property. CALIFORNIA Civil Code §§ 8034(b), 8102, 9300 et seq. now mandates a new a separate new **CALIFORNIA Preliminary Notice (Public)** Works he used

NEWWEBSITEFORTRADITION

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The technology for websites has changed continually since the early days of the internet. On June 27th, a new TRADITION SOFTWARE website was launched, using WordPress technology. Included in the site is a redesigned online store and easier to read County Recorder pages by state. Amanda St. Germain, Craig Altman and Tim Loden worked jointly on the new site.

MYLIENWAIVER.COM LAUNCHEDFORPRINTINGLIEN WAIVERS ONLINE

Co-developed by Craig Altman and Miriam Liskin, project information can be uploaded to MyLienWaiver.com from PreLien2Lien. For a \$600 Annual Subscription fee, with just a couple mouse clicks, users who log in can print any state's lien waivers, including Conditional/Unconditional Progress Releases and Conditional/Unconditional Final Releases

HEIDI RUUD NAMED NEW SALES/CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER

TRADITION SOFTWARE has added a new employee to its sales and customer service team

Heidi Ruud joined the company in April 2012 and will be the Sales/Customer Service Manager for PreLien2Lien. Included in her responsibilities will be customer retention, online marketing, software support and product marketing.

Heidi previously worked as a Inside Sales Supervisor for ALTERA CORPORATION. She earned a B.S. in Business Administration/Marketing Management from CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, San Luis Obispo in 1993.

Get your past due invoices paid through the effective use of each state's construction lien laws.

Construction Liens: \$150. Includes all recording fees, owner and legal party verification, delivery costs. Bond Claims: \$50. Includes verification of bond number, owner and other legal parties, delivery costs. Stop Notices: \$50. Includes owner and legal party verification, certified mail delivery to lender. 1st Notices: \$22. Includes owner and legal party verification, certified mail delivery to owner or contractor.

Contact Heidi Ruud, Sales/Customer Service Manager, at (800) 886-8770 x302.

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TIPS TO RECORD YOUR OWN CONSTRUCTION LIENS: Updates from ALABAMA, CALIFORNIA, CONNECTICUT and LOUISIANA

This past year, Michael Walker, Customer Service Manager for TRADITION NOTICE SERVICES, has recorded construction liens in numerous states. For everyone's benefit, we document our research and post it on our corporate websites.

A few pointers from around the country follow:

1. Montgomery County in ALABAMA - A Statement Of Lien is recorded with the county Probate Judge. Notice must include the street address of the property and the Lot, Block & Parcel Numbers. Fees are \$8.50 for the first page, \$2.50 for each additional page of 8-1/2" x 11" or 8-1/2" x 14" paper. Company checks can be used, payable to: JUDGE OF PROBATE.

2. Greenwich Township in CONNECTICUT - Construction liens in CONNECTICUT are recorded in the specific Township, rather than by the County, where the construction related improvement is located. A Certificate of Lien was recorded with the Township of Greenwich, CT. Fees totaled \$58.00 for a two page construction lien.

Greenwich also requires the entire legal property description from the deed "Schedule A" to be included. Since Greenwich does not have deed records on the internet, they kindly faxed us a copy of the existing Schedule A by calling (203) 622-7897.

3. Santa Clara County in CALIFORNIA - Request conformed copies for faster turn around time. Some counties, like Santa Clara County, can take 6-8 weeks to return the original construction lien claim. You can request a Conformed Copy of the original document, which has all of the recording information. It can be sent in as little as 2-3 business days after recordation.

Each County has different turn-around-times and charge different fees for Conformed Copies–often they're free. Be sure to include an additional copy of the lien claim and an additional Self Addressed Stamped Envelope. Also, make a note on the cover sheet that you are requesting a Conforming Copy.

4. Lafayette Parish in LOUISIANA - Will allow an in state lien claimant to release a Statement Of Claim using their Release By Obligee Of Record form for LOUISIANA based companies and notaries. Out of state companies are allowed to use their own release form. Additionally, the Parish's Request For Cancellation form, which is their version of a cover letter, must be included by everyone.

Since you lease PreLien2Lien on an annual basis, help using the software is just a phone call away. Technical Support and training is available to you at no additional charge by calling us Monday - Friday, 8AM - 5PM PST at (800) 886.8770.

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