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## **SUMMARY OF CASES ACCEPTED DURING THE WEEK OF MARCH 15, 2004**

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The description or descriptions set out below do not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#04-23 *Jevne v. Superior Court*, S121532. (B167044; 113 Cal.App.4th 486; Los Angeles County Superior Court; SC062784.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal denied a petition for peremptory writ of mandate. This case includes the following issue: Are the California Ethical Standards for Neutral Arbitrators (Code Civ. Proc., § 1281.85; Cal. Rules of Court, appen. Div. VI [Ethics Standards for Neutral Arbitrators in Contractual Arbitration]) preempted by the federal Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and rules promulgated under that Act by the National Association of Securities Dealers?

### **STATUS**

#03-73 *In re Jennings*, S115009. The court directed the parties to file supplemental letter briefs addressing the following question: Is Business and Professions Code section 25658, subdivision (c), limited to the “shoulder tapping” factual situation, or can a social host who purchases alcoholic beverages later served to an underage guest be characterized as having “purchas[ed]” alcoholic beverages “for” an underage guest within the meaning of that statute?

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