

Rick Siegel

Rick Siegel is a former standup comedian who first created LaughTrack, a national magazine about stand-up comedy¹ and later became a personal manager best known for his efforts to change the California Labor Commission's interpretation of the California **Talent Agencies Act** ("TAA").²

In a case brought by Siegel's management firm, Marathon Entertainment, the California Supreme Court found that the Labor Commission had wrongly not been incorporating severance when adjudicating Talent Agencies Act controversies.³

Siegel has served as an expert witness and has written multiple articles related to the TAA that have been published by the Los Angeles Daily Journal. Most notable: the December 9, 2014 article in the newspaper entitled, "A Generation of Incorrect Talent Agencies Act Rulings," where Siegel detailed how the current interpretation conflicts with four California Supreme Court holdings.⁴

He has also written several columns published by The Huffington Post about the 2008 Presidential election circa-1989 via-

² CA. Labor Code 17001700.45, TAA

³ Marathon Entertainment vs. Rosa Blas (2008) 42 Cal. 4 974

⁴ Los Angeles Daily Journal, December 9, 2014: A Generation of Incorrect Talent Agencies Act Rulings