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**TOWARD A MORE PERFECT UNION: IF WE LOVE THE CONSTITUTION SO MUCH, WHY ARE AMERICANS ALWAYS TRYING TO AMEND IT?**

*Ongoing Civic Programs Foster Public Conversation about the Constitution*

**SAN DIEGO** –The San Diego Public Library will host the lecture *Toward a More Perfect Union: If We Love the Constitution So Much, Why Are Americans Always Trying to Amend It?*, a lecture presented by Professor Chris Guzelian of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law on Wednesday, October 31, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Library located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego.

The last of six lectures on amendments to the U.S. Constitution, Professor Guzelain will speak on why Americans care so much about our fundamental law and our seemingly perpetual wish to either amend or not to amend it. This program is presented in conjunction with the months long library project, *Searching for Democracy: A Public Conversation about the Constitution* sponsored by Cal Humanities.

*Searching for Democracy* brings together people from diverse backgrounds to attend and discuss the Constitution at programs including lectures, book discussions, films, digital stories, and performance. Young and old, rich and poor, new citizens and long-term residents will have the opportunity to openly explore the understanding of our American heritage and citizenry. The endeavor will also afford individual library patrons a greater understanding of the Library's vast collection of Constitution related titles and digital resources.

Professor Guzelian has worked as a deputy district attorney and as a U.S. Bankruptcy Court law clerk in Colorado and as a civilian employee of the Department of Defense. He also has prior experience teaching at Northwestern University Law School in Chicago. His research interests are various, including the First Amendment freedom of speech, evidence-based medicine/policy, bankruptcy, banking and monetary policy, and national security law.

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Visit <http://sandiego.communityguides.com/constitution> to find out more about the Constitution series. Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library's Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's catalog online at [www.sandiegolibrary.gov](http://www.sandiegolibrary.gov).

*Inspiring lifelong learning through connections to knowledge and each other*

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