

## LAW

Nancy W. Vensko has joined the law firm **Sinsheimer Juhnke Lebens & McIvor LLP** as an of-counsel attorney in the intellectual property department. Vensko has practiced patent law for more than 15 years and is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. She concentrates on the preparation

of patents and their prosecution in the U.S. and internationally concerning the technical area of biotechnology. Vensko joined the firm in January.

Vensko earned a bachelor's degree in English at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and received a teaching credential in science and English from San Francisco State University. She then earned a master's degree in cancer biology from Stanford University's School of Medicine. Before earning a law degree from California Western School of Law,



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Vensko worked as a research scientist at Salk Institute Biotechnology/Industrial Associates.

## NEWSMAKERS

## SPORTS

**Kevin Elder**, an attorney with law firm Sinsheimer Juhnke Lebens & McIvor LLP has been appointed to the board of directors of the **San Luis Obispo Rugby Football Club**. As a director, he will assist with club organization and funding opportunities to strengthen the club's youth programs.

Elder works in the business transaction practice area of SJLM. He joined the firm in February 2008.

The San Luis Obispo Rugby Club was formed in 1975 as a spin-off of San Luis Obispo Rugby at Cal Poly University. The club has roots dating back to 1964.