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50 Bay Area restaurants, bars sue state over outdoor dining ban

There is now a second lawsuit filed over outdoor dining bans in California. This action follows the CRA's lawsuit against Los Angeles County – that case will be back in front of a judge next month.

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California restaurants want to recover fees paid while closed during COVID

A class-action lawsuit filed against the state and several California counties takes issue with the government fees restaurants have had to pay for services they've been largely unable to utilize while closed. The CRA is not a plaintiff, but is supportive of this lawsuit.

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Alex Padilla formally appointed to fill U.S. Senate seat vacated by VP-Elect Harris

Alex Padilla, the new U.S. Senator from California, grew up in Los Angeles. While he was growing up, his father worked as a short-order cook and his mother worked as a housekeeper. Before being appointed to fill Kamala Harris' senate seat, Padilla was California's Secretary of State and had also served as a state senator.

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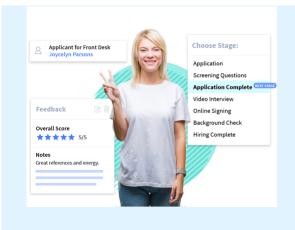
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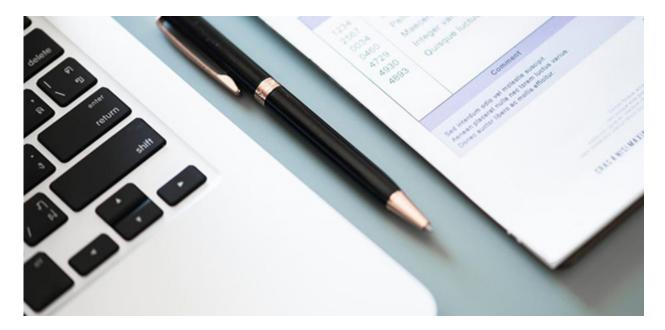


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