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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By E. Joseph Fitzpatrick, Jr.



"All great things are simple,
and many can be expressed in
single words: freedom, justice,
honor, duty, mercy, hope."

Sir Winston Churchill

~

As this article is being written the nomination of Judge Sotomayor to our Supreme Court is pending. As with every such appointment, this triggers in the minds of many lawyers a mental review of Sir Winston Churchill's above referenced quote. Both the process of the appointment (starting with the great fanfare of the President's nomination and culminating in the Senate's confirmation hearings) and of the role of the future justice on the Supreme Court is always an open question. I am reminded that in any civil society the law must be just, known and predictable and applied equally albeit imperfectly in providing the governing framework for and restraints on the public, thereby nurturing civil society and serving as a check against the arbitrary use and abuse of power. However, as seemingly straightforward as the concepts of freedom, justice, honor etc. are, there can always be an honest debate between thinking people as to precisely what the limits are of each such concept. Sometimes these noble concepts are more easily defined in the negative than in the affirmative. In the immortal words of Justice Potter Stewart, "I shall not today attempt further to define the kinds

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~ October 12, 2009 ~

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This year, as in past years, there will be closest to the pin, putting and long drive contests with prizes to be won. Don't worry there will be plenty of mulligans for sale to help your score, along with great company and lots of fun.

Don't want to play golf or tennis? Join us for the silent auction where you can bid on fabulous items and mingle with friends during the reception; and end the evening with our wonderful buffet dinner.

The Fall Outing Committee is seeking a variety of sponsors as well as silent auction items such as summer homes, ski resort packages, airline tickets, golf packages, hotel stays, cruise line discounts, etc. If your firm would like to be a sponsor, please see the attached insert. If you can help with any of these requests, please follow up with Brad Bernstein (301-517-4811 or bbernstein@milesstockbridge.com) for sponsorship information or Jessica Ghaffari (301-986-4001 or jgghaffari@familylawattys.com) for Silent Auction information.

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CURRENT UPDATE

YOU ARE INVITED TO A COCKTAIL RECEPTION IN HONOR JUDGE HARRINGTON ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT

Judge Ann Harrington is retiring August 31, 2009. To honor her, there will be a cocktail reception on **Thursday, August 13, 2009** from 5:30p.m. to 7:30p.m. at Lakewood Country Club in Rockville,.

Please send a check in the amount of \$45 payable to Armstrong, Donohue, Ceppos and Vaughn to 204 Monroe St., Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20850-4425; Attn: Ken Armstrong.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, August 5th.

CIRCUIT COURT FAMILY DIVISION

Supervising Case Manager - Juvenile

Ann Wilson, who has been the Supervising Case Manager for nearly three years, left the Court's employ on July 3, 2009. During her tenure Ann forged strong collaborative working relationships with both the bench and bar as well as the child welfare and juvenile justice communities. Her absence has left a significant

hole in the fabric that supports the complex juvenile court environment. Her calm and professional demeanor and commitment to juvenile court issues is sorely missed.

Until a new person comes on board, you may contact Madeleine Jones at 240-777-9061 with any questions that you normally would have directed to Ann. Ann will be practicing law part time in Frederick. Our loss is the Frederick County Legal Community's gain and we wish her great success.

Bench-Bar Schedule for Remainder of 2009

Unless otherwise noted all meetings are held from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 20.

August - No meeting
September 17, 2009 - Delinquency
October 21, 2009 - CINA
November 18, 2009 - Delinquent
December 17, 2009 - CINA

Upcoming Judicial Rotations

Please note the following judicial rotations which will occur in both Family and Juvenile in the next few months:

Effective August 24, 2009

- (1) Judge Burrell remains in Juvenile
- (2) Judge Salant remains in Juvenile

LEGAL ETHICS HOTLINE

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For a written confidential opinion, submit your written request, marked confidential, to Jeffrey M. Axelson, c/o Bar Association of Montgomery County, MD, 27 West Jefferson St., Rockville, MD 20850.

(3) Judge Jordan will move into Juvenile from Family.

(4) Judge Savage will move from Juvenile into a split Juvenile (40%) and Family (60%) rotation. She will hear child welfare cases on Thursdays and Fridays.

Effective October 5, 2009

- (1) Judge Burrell remains in Juvenile
- (2) Judge Jordan remains in Juvenile
- (3) Judge Savage remains in Juvenile on a 40% basis and Family on a 60% basis
- (4) Judge Callahan moves into Juvenile from Family
- (5) Judge Salant moves into Family from Juvenile.

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of material but I know it when I see it." Of course when he penned those words he was not wrestling with a precise definition of justice, freedom or any of the other noble concepts articulated by Sir Winston Churchill.

This reflection on the roll of the Supreme Court in terms of being the last insurer of justice (and thus a key ingredient of freedom) calls to mind James Madison's observation..."But what is government itself, but the greatest of all reflections on human nature? If men were angels no government would be necessary. If angels were to govern men neither external nor internal controls on government would be necessary. In framing a government which is to be administered by men over men the great difficulty lies in this: you must first enable the government to control the governed; and in the next place oblige it to control itself." (The Federalist Papers, No. 51.)

As attorneys engaged in the day to day practice of law we are sworn to uphold both the United States Constitution as well as Maryland's Constitution. In short we have simultaneously both the obligation and the privilege to help shape justice, and in doing so try to insure the perpetuation of a civil society for the generations to follow us. I invite each of you to look at your daily task list not so much as the mundane burdens of the day, but instead to realize that each of the small tasks we perform as lawyers, no matter what form or shape our individual practices of law takes, but rather as an opportunity to the best job possible for your clients, within the

defined parameters of our judicial system, and in doing so, insuring the perpetuation of justice on a daily basis. Viewed in this light, we cannot help but be awed by the responsibility vested in each of us. We are more than mere advo-

cates. We are the gatekeepers to ensure that our historical and present sense of justice is not ever diminished by those that would seek to chip away at our cherished freedoms. "If not us, who? If not now, when?"

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ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR NON-PROFIT LEGAL SERVICES

Jose Henriquez v. Ana S. Henriquez **Court of Special Appeals, No. 1774** **September Term, 2007**

Most domestic attorneys are familiar with statutes permitting a domestic court to award attorney's fees in custody, visitation and child support (FL § 12-103), divorce (FL § 7-107), property disposition (FL § 8-214), and alimony (FL § 11-110) cases. But can a family law court award attorney's fees to a non-profit legal services organization when the client was represented for free and never charged a fee? On May 8, 2009, the Court of Special Appeals answered that question in the affirmative in a reported opinion that opens the door for all non-profit legal services and pro bono attorneys to seek and receive statutorily authorized attorney's fee awards.

In Henriquez v. Henriquez, lawyers from the House of Ruth Marjorie Cook Foundation Domestic Violence Legal Clinic represented Ms. Henriquez in her Montgomery County divorce and custody case against Mr. Henriquez. At the end of the custody portion of the case, the trial court awarded the House of Ruth \$5,000 in attorney's fees even though Ms. Henriquez had never paid any attorney's

fees to the House of Ruth and had never been billed by the House of Ruth for its legal services. Mr. Henriquez appealed, arguing that because the House of Ruth represented Ms. Henriquez for free and did not charge her a fee, no legal fees were incurred and the House of Ruth should not be entitled to an attorney's fee award.

The Court of Special Appeals heard oral arguments in Henriquez v. Henriquez on September 11, 2008 and issued its reported opinion on May 8, 2009, stating that, "[a] court may award attorney's fees, pursuant to FL § 12-103, in a case where a party is represented by a non-profit legal services organization, or a pro bono attorney, irrespective of whether a fee agreement exists between the client and the attorney." This decision clears the way for non-profit legal services organizations and pro bono attorneys to recover attorney's fees from the opposing party in family law cases. The Court's holding is tremendously important for all public interest legal clinics and pro bono attorneys because it will help increase the availability of legal services to financially indigent clients where attorney's fees might be awarded even if their clients were not charged a fee.

In today's society, competent legal serv-

ice is both essential and quite expensive. This is especially evident in domestic relations' cases where the court's decision usually alters the parties' personal relationships, particularly where children are involved. In its decision, the Court of Special Appeals noted that the complexities of family law coupled with a party's emotions in a domestic case make it extremely difficult for a litigant who cannot afford to hire competent counsel. The principle of providing equal access of justice to all warrants the award of attorney's fees to persons represented by non-profit legal services organizations or pro bono attorneys.

Henriquez is an extremely important decision for non-profit legal services organizations, pro bono attorneys, and indigent clients. In upholding awards for attorney's fees for non-profit legal services organizations and pro bono attorneys in family law cases, the Court of Special Appeals created greater access to free legal services for litigants who would not have had access to free legal services prior to Henriquez.

The deadline for submission of copy for the newsletter is the 10th of the month for the following months' issue.

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APPLE'S IPHONE

Introduced a couple of years ago, Apple's iPhone phenomenon has revolutionized the cell phone industry setting a new standard of performance. Forgive me if this ends up reading like a puff piece but rest assured I get nothing out of this article from Apple or anybody else. With that caveat in mind, I bought my first iPhone last November. By December I'd dropped Verizon Wireless after many years and had gotten four additional iPhones for staff and family. AT&T is a much better carrier on several levels than is Verizon, IMHO.

3G IPHONE

Due out this summer the new OS 3.0 adds virtually all of the features of the best smart phones like the business standard Blackberry. This upgrade should satisfy all those who have waited to try the iPhone. But for the print function issue

that other smart phones also lack, the new OS 3.0 should satisfy all your business and connectivity needs as well or better than any phone. As I write this in another week Apple is introducing a new iPhone with video and other new features but many of these (except the video camera function) should be found in the new OS 3.0 as well. When originally introduced, the iPhone was a neat new cell phone with an amazing display and a few cool features especially the accelerometer which automatically flips the screen image from portrait to landscape mode by no more than turning the phone from one orientation to the other while holding the sleek iPhone in your hand.

The 3G iPhone, which came out last summer, blew the doors off the cell phone market when released. There was a big drop in price. The 3G opened the phone up to a much larger consumer base. The 3G iPhone is amazing with its new features carried over AT&T's 3G

network, its new and fast wireless phone network, built through AT&T. Prior to release of the 3G, Apple wisely opened up its OS to developers small and large around the globe. You've likely heard about the millionaire kid iPhone programmers and what about the nearly iconic: "there's an app for that", well, its true, with 25,000 app's on the market, many free of charge. It was the open OS offered to programmers with a development kit sold by Apple for very little money, which really set the iPhone apart and turned it into the cell phone to have, setting the standard for excellence in terms of usability, image quality and overall design.

MY FAVORITE APPS

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The iPhone 3G has a special feature for lawyers or any one who needs to access email sent to the office network. The Apple folks have set it up about as easily as possible by simply requiring the user to select and quickly configure their particular email flavor (MS Exchange, Yahoo, Gmail,

AOL, etc.). The process was much simpler than with other smart phones I've used. And hey, it was a lot more fun! I am interested in hearing from those of you using the iPhone and how you like it, what tricks you've learned and if you're glad you got it. Email me at Hooverlaw@gmail.com and I'll respond back, collect your comments and put 'em in another article on this invasive little device.

Patrick J. Hoover,
Technology Committee Member

If you would like to submit a law related article for possible publication in the Newsletter, please forward it to Julie Petersen at Julie@barmont.org.

Please note that it is at the discretion of the Executive Director as to whether, space permitting, the article will appear.

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NEW PRACTITIONER SECTION

Summer is in full swing, but the New Practitioners Section is already revving up for the upcoming Bar Association year. **The Section has decided to hold bi-monthly Section meetings, the first of which will occur on September 16, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bar Association Building CLE Classroom.** All new practitioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will be discussing the upcoming year and are looking for new ideas to make this the best year yet for new practitioners across the county.

The kickball season is almost over—if you haven't seen a game yet, it is not too late! Even if you cannot play, come support your fellow attorneys by taking in a game after work. Games are played on Wednesday nights from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Meadowbrook Local Park in Bethesda. The season runs until August 1. There are exciting post-game happy hour festivities at the Barking Dog in Bethesda—join us! For more information, please contact team

Captains, Lili Khozeimeh at lkhozeimeh@mccourt.com; or Andrew Schwartz at aschwartz@steinsperling.com.

The Section is always looking for exciting ways to bring new lawyers together, whether through a social function, educational activity, or service project. **Please share your ideas and thoughts for the Section with the co-chairs and plan on attending our first Section meeting on September 16th.**

MSBA YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION

Keep your eyes and ears open for information about the next YLS event!

CHAMBER CHATS

Chamber Chats will return in September—stay tuned for information about the first chat of the year in the next Bar Newsletter.

MENTOR/MENTEE COMMITTEE

Our new Mentor/Mentee Co-Chairs, Peter Casciano and Marc Boland, continue to work to pair new practitioners with seasoned mentors from our very own Bar Association. Please assist them by volunteering to mentor a new practitioner. If you are looking for a mentor, please download the Mentor/Mentee application form from the BAMC website and forward it to Peter. Should you have any questions, please contact Peter at pcasciano@a-f.net or 301-563-6685 or Marc at mboland@bregmanlaw.com or 301-656-2707.

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September 9, 2009 January 13, 2010
October 14, 2009 February 10, 2010
November 12, 2009 March 10, 2010
December 9, 2009 April 14, 2010
May 12, 2010

All meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of the month at 8 a.m. at a location to be determined, unless otherwise noted.

The ADR section will be joining the Real Estate section for its September 8th breakfast meeting for a presentation on the topic of alternative dispute resolution (primarily, mediation and arbitration) in the context of real estate disputes. The presentation will feature a panel of real estate attorneys and mediators who will be discussing the types of ADR appropriate for these disputes, the benefits associated with each type, when to utilize ADR in the life of the dispute, and various tips for practitioners. The meeting starts at 8 a.m. and will be held at the new law offices of Shulman, Rogers, Gandal, Pordy & Ecker, P.A. Please come join us for this important discussion.

The ADR section will also hold its own monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 9 at 8 a.m. (new location to be determined). This is our first meeting back

from summer, and we intend to discuss plans for the section for the coming year, including ideas and suggestions for projects, presentations, and CLEs. Please RSVP to Erik Johnson or Judy Mustille if you plan to attend.

*Erik C. Johnson, Co-Chair
Judith A. Mustille, Co-Chair*

BUSINESS LAW SECTION

Section Meetings

Tuesday, September 15, 2009
Tuesday, November 10, 2009
No December meeting
Tuesday, January 12, 2010
Tuesday, March 9, 2010
Tuesday, April 13, 2010
Tuesday, May 7, 2010 (Law Day)

All section meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m. at a location to be determined, unless otherwise noted.

Continuing Legal Education Seminars

Tuesday, October 6, 2009
Tuesday, February 9, 2010

CLE Seminars will be held in the CLE Classroom of the Bar Building from 5:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

*Demetrios Datch, Co-Chair
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COMMERCIAL LITIGATION SECTION

The next breakfast meeting of the Commercial Litigation Section will take place on Wednesday, September 16, 2009, from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m., at the offices of Stein, Sperling, Bennett, De Jong, Driscoll & Greenfeig, P.C., 25 West Middle Lane, Rockville. Please RSVP to Chris Grube at (301) 838-3269, or cgrube@steinsperling.com. More information as to speaker and topic will be published and circulated in the near future.

*Jeffrey M. Schwaber, Co-Chair
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EDUCATION LAW SECTION

August 28, 2009* January 15, 2010
October 2, 2009 February 5, 2010
November 6, 2009 March 5, 2010
December 4, 2009 April 2, 2010
*Happy Hour starting at 6PM at Gordon Biersch (Rockville Towne Center)

All meetings will be brown bag sessions to be held on the 1st Friday of the month at 12:00 Noon in the Conference Room of the Bar Association building, unless otherwise noted.

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EMPLOYMENT LAW SECTION

Welcome as we look forward to our interesting and exciting programs for the Fall 2009.
September 9: Lunch With the Senator

Don't Miss Lunch with Senator Jamie Raskin on September 9, 2009, as he discusses the legislative changes that occurred in the last Legislative session. Remember, YOU can put forward YOUR ideas for the next session beginning in 2010 as Senator Raskin is always looking to discuss these topics with us.

October 21: Lunch With OHR

We will meet and greet the new Director of the Montgomery County OHR, James Stowe, and hear about the OHR programs and procedures.

Section meetings will be held from 12:15p.m.-1:15p.m. in the Conference Room of the Bar Association building.

On **November 17 & 18** from 5:00p.m.-7:00p.m., the section will join with the Personal Injury Litigation Section to present a 2 part CLE on Proving Damages and Limiting Liability.

We are also planning some Programs important to members of the Local Chambers

of Congress with the Immigration Section: Stay Tuned. It will be an exciting Fall..

*Laurel N. Anchors, Co-Chair
Gwenlynn W. D'Souza, Co-Chair*

ESTATE & TRUST LAW SECTION

September 14, 2009	February 8, 2010
October 19, 2009	March 8, 2010
November 9, 2009	April 12, 2010
January 11, 2010	

~ There will be no meeting in December ~

All meetings (with the exception of the September 14 meeting) will be the NEW SHULMAN ROGERS OFFICE ADDRESS: 12505 PARK POTOMAC AVENUE, 6TH FLOOR, POTOMAC, MD 20854. The September 14 meeting will be at the Executive Office Building, 101 Monroe Street, Auditorium, Rockville, MD 20850.

Jay M. Eisenberg, Chair

FAMILY LAW SECTION

Well, the Family Law Section is off to a great start! We would like to thank everyone

who turned out for the Family Law Section meeting on June 4th, 2009. The turnout was simply overwhelming and we cannot thank everyone enough for their participation.

We still need a lot of help and volunteers to chair and work the subcommittees. And we welcome input for ideas to improve both new and existing subcommittees.

The following is a list of subcommittees currently slated for the 2009-2010 year:

- o Programs
- o CLE's
- o Rita Rozenkrantz Training
- o Social
- o Women's Commission
- o Court Evaluator Liaison
- o Family Law Self-Help Liaison
- o ABA Liaison
- o New Practitioner Liaison
- o Divorce Roundtable Liaison
- o Case Watch
- o Leaders of Family Bar
- o Pro Bono Initiative (NEW)
- o Pro Bono Mediation
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that Delaney McKinney, LLP has graciously agreed to host this year's Family Law Section holiday party. The event will be held the evening of December 10th 2009, at the new offices of Delaney McKinney, LLP in Chevy Chase. Please SAVE THE DATE.

New for this year, the Section will be facilitating a new Pro Bono Initiative. Carlos Lastra has graciously agreed to chair the project which will provide same day representation to individuals who are seeking Temporary/Interim Protective Orders. This event will occur for an entire week in February 2010. During that week, Pro Bono attorneys will be available for unrepresented litigants in both the Montgomery County Circuit and District Courts. We would like to express our gratitude to Judge Ann Harrington and Judge Eugene Wolfe for approving (and supporting) this new Pro Bono Initiative.

This is a perfect way for anyone to become involved and we wish to thank you each of you who have already committed to help. We are going to need a substantial number of volunteers so we are asking everyone to give their support. If you are interested in participating in this effort, or would like more information, please contact Carlos Lastra at 301-869-1700, cml@divorce-md.com.

The Family Law Section meetings will be held on the following dates:

September 17th	Roundtable with the Family Law Judges
October 15th	Domestic Violence: MC Family Justice Center Tour
November 19th	TBA
December 10th	Holiday Party
January 21st	TBA
February 18th	TBA
March 18th	TBA
March/April	Wine & Cheese
April 15th	TBA
May 7th	Law Day

Our first evening CLE has been planned for **October 1, 2009 @ 5:30 p.m.** on the topic of the "Nuts and Bolts of Preparing QDRO's for the Family Law Practitioner." David Goldberg will be presenting. Please mark your calendars for this informative topic.

Lastly, we want to thank Lexis/Nexis for agreeing to provide the refreshments for future Family Law Section meetings.

Thank you again to every one and we are looking forward to a fun and productive year.

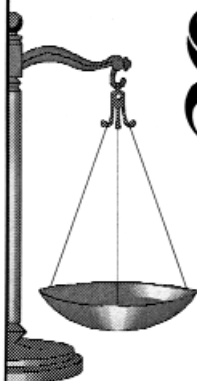
*Geoffrey S. Platnick, Co-Chair
Clark Wisor, Co-Chair*

IMMIGRATION LAW SECTION

I am honored and pleased to have been appointed Chair of the Immigration Section. **I wish to extend Cynthia Groomes Katz a heartfelt thanks** for her excellent leadership and dedication to the Immigration Section for the past 3 years. Under Cindy's leadership we enjoyed top notch programs that included successfully recruiting immigration judges, Department of Labor representatives and several other federal agencies to come out to Montgomery County and meet with our membership.

Together, we can make this the year for **successful Comprehensive Immigration Reform** that serves the needs of Montgomery County residents. Together, we can take a fresh look at how the Immigration Section can serve the needs of our members and our clients in new and creative ways. For that, I need your help. **Plan to share your time and your ideas.** Email me with any ideas you have about how the Immigration section can serve and support your immigration practice and community as well as any roll you are willing to take.

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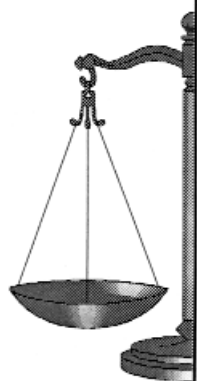
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I will revive some of the **Immigration Section Social Events** that have previously been such great venues for us to get together as a section to share ideas on difficult cases, build a knowledge base network and enjoy some camaraderie. **We'll kick off the year with a pot luck Barb-B-Q on Saturday, September 19, 2009 at 4 pm.** All immigration practitioners are welcome. We need to work together to organize important but neglected efforts to combat UPL (**unauthorized practice of law**) which is so prevalent in our practice area. We will continue to partner with other sections of the Bar to create an **inter-disciplinary speaker's bureau** that can begin to forge relationships and promote the immigration dialogue with other organizations (chambers of commerce, HR groups, industry groups, religious organizations, pro-bono programs) in our county, state and region. Help me **mentor** our newer members so they too can provide exceptional representation to clients.

Help me demonstrate that Montgomery County attorneys are the **thought leaders on immigration** and other areas of law and policy. Let's continue to forge ties with our friends in the criminal, employment and family law sections. Critical to a successful section is reg-

ular meetings, presenting CLEs, and mentoring of our new immigration practitioners.

Save these dates:

- **Wed., September 9, 2009** - 12:30 - 1:30pm Brown Bag Lunch, CLE Classroom, Bar Building
 - **Sat., September 19, 2009** - 4 pm to 8 pm, Pot Luck BBQ
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 - **Wed., October 14, 2009** - 12:30 - 1:30pm Brown Bag Lunch, Conference Room, Bar Building
 - **Wed., November 11, 2009** - 12:30 - 1:30pm Brown Bag Lunch, Conference Room, Bar Building
 - **Wed., December 9, 2009** - 12:30 - 1:30pm Brown Bag Lunch, Conference Room, Bar Building
- I welcome your emails and calls any time on matthew@glinlaw.com or 301.987.0030

x4. I look forward to an exciting year for Immigration. Thanks for letting me serve you.

Matthew Glinsmann, Chair

LEGAL ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING DATES FOR 2009-2010

August 12, 2009	January 13, 2010
September 9, 2009	February 10, 2010
October 14, 2009	March 10, 2010
November 11, 2009	April 14, 2010
December 9, 2009	May 12, 2010
June 9, 2010	

All meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:30p.m. in the Conference Room of the Bar Association Building, 27 West Jefferson St., Rockville, MD, unless otherwise noted.

Jeffrey M. Axelson, Co-Chair
Samuel M. Shapiro, Co-Chair

PERSONAL INJURY LITIGATION SECTION MEETING DATES

September 25, 2009	February 26, 2010
October 30, 2009	March 26, 2010
January 29, 2010	April 30, 2010

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COMMITTEES & SECTIONS

Friday of the month at Noon in the Conference Room of the Bar Association Building, unless otherwise noted.

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer. We are in the process of scheduling programs and speakers for the upcoming year. We have already heard from several speakers and hope to have the schedule out shortly. In the meantime, if you have a topic or speaker that you believe would be good for a program or CLE, please e-mail the suggestion and/or contact information to us. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Andre Forte, Co-Chair
Paul S. Chung, Co-Chair

REAL ESTATE LAW SECTION MEETING DATES

September 8, 2009	February 9, 2010
October 13, 2009	March 9, 2010
November 10, 2009	April 13, 2010
December 8, 2009	May 11, 2010
January 12, 2010	

All meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 8:00a.m. at the offices of Shulman, Rogers, Gandal, Pordy & Ecker, P.A. at 11921 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD, unless otherwise noted.

Matthew D. Alegi, Co-Chair
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BAR FOUNDATION SCHOOL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The School Education Committee has formed the MCPS Mentoring Program which partners individual high schools in the County with attorneys, firms, Assistant Public Defenders, and/or Assistant State's Attorneys to provide mentoring to students and teachers. Each school will be paired with an attorney or firm to answer any questions or provide support designed to complement the existing Street Law curriculum offered to high school students in the County. If you are interested in a partnership with a school please contact me right away via email at sandler@sandlerlawllc.com. Please indicate whether you have an interest in partnering with a particular high school. This is a groundbreaking program that has been met with tremendous enthusiasm by MCPS. Get involved in this program today by mentoring MCPS high school students.

Rene Sandler, Chair

WORKERS COMPENSATION SECTION MEETING DATES

September 10, 2009	January 14, 2010
October 8, 2009*	February 11, 2010

November 12, 2009	March 11, 2010
December 10, 2009	April 8, 2010

All meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4:30p.m. in the Conference Room of the Bar Association Building, unless otherwise noted.

*CLE Seminar

Brian P. Riley Co-Chair
Matthew S. Tidball, Co-Chair

YOUTH COURTHOUSE PROJECT COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

September 2, 2009	January 6, 2010
October 7, 2009	February 3, 2010
November 4, 2009	March 3, 2010
December 2, 2009	April 7, 2010
	May 5, 2010

All meetings will be Brown Bag Lunch meetings, to be held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 12:15p.m. in the Bar Association Conference Room, unless otherwise noted.

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PRO BONO UPDATE

PRO BONO

Mary Kay Canarte, Managing Attorney

The **Pro Bono Program** continues to assist a rising number of low-income residents in Montgomery County. We need your help to meet the demand!! Together with our many committed volunteers, our Pro Bono Program serves over 3000 low income residents during the course of year. Please call the Pro Bono Program to see how you can get involved.

Our intake is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 PM. As the economy continues to be challenged, the poorest in Montgomery County are also increasingly faced with housing, employment, and family crises. **You can make a difference by just attending our clinics one evening or taking a pro bono case. Please call (301) 762-5831 or email at marykay@mcbfprobono.org.**

Our **Family Law Training Sessions** known as the **Rita Rosenkrantz Family Law Training** are currently available for viewing by webcast by any attorney who wants a refresher or would like to expand into this practice area. This extensive and in-depth **six hour** family law training is a must see!! This fall there will be a live training at the Bar Association. The excellent compilation of family law materials are available for free to any Maryland barred attorneys in good standing who agree to take a pro bono case!! They can also be viewed via webcast at the following link: <http://www.gorebrothers.com/webcast/mcba/>

Our legal clinics offer a very unique opportunity to get a glimpse of the many complex issues facing our low-income residents including debt and bankruptcy problems, divorce, custody, child support, housing, employment/contract issues, individual rights or disability cases. The PRO BONO Evening Legal Clinics are now at four locations. We are very grateful for Jonathan Bloom, Esquire who helps supervise this newest clinic in Germantown. The Evening Legal Clinics at TESS and the Gilchrist Center in Wheaton continue to thrive under the able assistance of Jay Marks, Esquire, David Vega, Esquire, and Juan Carlos Washington, Esquire. Our newest clinic at the EAST COUNTY REGIONAL SERVICES CENTER, is located at 3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring, MD 20904. This clinic operates on the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of every month and Juan Carlos Washington and Raphael "Manny" Montero are helping to supervise this new clinic.

The volunteer attorneys who attend our clinics get to do pro bono service while also networking with other attorneys and the clients. It is a rewarding experience for

all who attend. **Attorneys must be scheduled into the clinics.** If you would like to have this unique opportunity to be apart of something very special or you would like to review available cases, please contact MaryKay Canarte at (301) 762-5831. Some attorneys come for a season and some stay for many seasons to come. **Come join us!**

CONTESTED CUSTODY HEROES OUR FAMILY LAW JUDICARE AND CUSTODY HEROES....

We are pleased to announce that the hourly rate was increased to \$80.00 per hour for complex JUDICARE CUSTODY AND COMPLEX FAMILY cases. If you are interested in receiving referrals for JUDICARE, please contact marykay@mcbfprobono.org or call (301) 762-5831. Attorneys who accept these cases must also accept another pro bono case at the same time.

A major focus of the pro Bono program remains achieving stability for families and children who have never had access to an attorney or do not have Court Orders for custody and support. We do not handle modifications, contempt, or post judgment matters. If you are interested in participating, **please contact marykay@mcbfprobono.org or call (301) 762-5831.**

The following attorneys provided legal services for the Pro Bono Program during the month of June 2009. On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Bar Foundation, we wish to thank these super attorneys for their much needed assistance and dedication!!

Intakes - 418 Cases Opened - 375
Cases Referred - 64 Cases Closed - 452

Pro Bono Case Referrals

Bruce Avery	Andrew Murnane
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Michael Callahan	John Reid
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Myra Frazier	Steven Shechtel
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Scott Lloyd	Juan Washington
Ricky Malik	Allison Wright
Jay Marks	

TESS Center

Ken Auerbach	Patricia McDonald
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Ricky Malik	David Vega
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East County Briggs Chaney Clinic

Joe Gaffigan	Shelley Maynard
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*2 cases; **=3 cases

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SPECIALTY BAR ASSOCIATIONS

J. FRANKLYN BOURNE BAR ASSOCIATION, INC., MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMITTEE

The Montgomery County Committee will not be meeting in July or August. The next **J. FRANKLYN BOURNE BAR ASSOCIATION, INC., Montgomery County Committee's** monthly meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 12, 2009**, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Bar Association of Montgomery County, Maryland, 27 West Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Breakfast will be served. Unless otherwise noted, the Committee meets on the first Saturday of the month. If you cannot come to the September meeting, please join us on Saturday, **October 3, 2009**. For more information, contact Holly Reed, Esq. at (301) 587-9480.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION

The Montgomery County Chapter of the WBA is off to a running start, and we're looking forward to a vibrant year! We are especially excited about hosting our triennial Auction at the Chevy Chase Women's Club on March 13, with huge thanks going out to Heather Collier and Lili Khozeimeh for being our Auction Chairs! Mark your calendars for the following events and look for more details in coming newsletters:
September 14 (tentative) – Normandie Farms Dinner
October 26 – Judicial Reception

November 16 (evening) – Leadership Event

December 16 – Holiday Party

March 13 – Auction

For more information about these events or joining the WBA, please contact Lindsay Parvis at 301-340-9090 or lparris@draggallaw.com.

Lindsay Parvis, Chapter President

If you would like to submit a law related article for possible publication in the Newsletter, please forward it to Julie Petersen at Julie@barmont.org.

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KUDOS ...

Garson Claxton attorney **Mark Jewell** has earned accreditation from the U.S. Green Building Council, and is now a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP). Fewer than 30 attorneys in the State of Maryland have this designation.

Erica A. Leatham, a principal with Meyers, Eisler & Leatham in Rockville, who is regarded as one of the county's leading zoning and land use attorneys, has recently enhanced her standing in the legal community by becoming LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) certified—and being elected chairman of the CREW (Commercial Real Estate Women) National Capital Committee.

Paley Rothman recently received a Certificate of Recognition and Appreciation from Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett for its years of outstanding dedication, leadership and service to the Jewish community. An event was held at the law firm's office in Bethesda at which Mr. Leggett made the official presentation to co-Managing Principals Robert H. Maclay and Ronald A. Dweck, and Presidential Title

President/Real Estate Attorney Daniel P. Hodin (listed from left to right in the photo). The certificate cited Paley Rothman's "significant contributions to the cause of social justice" and its "strength of character, principle and vision (in becoming) a role model for our community."

The Law Office of Teresa Whalen is pleased to announce that **Teresa Whalen** is the proud recipient of the John Adams Award. This prestigious award was presented by the Federal Defender James Wyda and the United States District Court for her outstanding representation of defendants in the federal courts of Maryland. Ms. Whalen, a former Senior Assistant States Attorney for Montgomery County, is the first woman to be selected for this award. She has been defending matters in federal court since 1998, including several defendants facing the death penalty, in addition to her private practice concentrating on criminal defense and employment law.

LEGAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Berenato, White & Stavish, LLC is pleased to announce that **Steven Kelber** and **Kyle Hepner** had joined the firm. Steve

brings a unique ability to work with organizations securing affordable patent protection for University premised technology. Amplifying the firm's depth of knowledge in the technology sector, Kelber will work on patent interferences, patentability, validity and infringement opinions, procurement of both domestic and foreign patents, client counseling, licensing, agreement negotiations, portfolio assessments and corporate intellectual property development, including mergers/acquisitions. He received his Bachelor of Arts with majors in Biochemistry and Political Science from the University of Maryland in 1978 where he graduated Summa Cum Laude. Mr. Kelber received his Juris Doctor, With Honors, from the National Law Center, George Washington University in 1981. Kyle brings an intense focus on preparation and prosecution of U.S. and international patent applications. A 2008 graduate of The George Washington University Law School, Hepner joins Berenato, White & Stavish to concentrate on patentability, validity, and infringement research as well as opinion writing. Prior to law school Mr. Hepner received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from The George Washington University in 2005.

The law firm of **Ethridge, Quinn, McAuliffe, Rowan & Hartinger** is pleased to announce that **Caryn G. Siegel** has accepted an associate position with the firm. Caryn joins the firm as an associate following a law clerk position at a Baltimore title company as well as a Rule 16 student attorney position with the Community Development Clinic. Caryn's practice will primarily be in the areas of real estate, probate and estate planning, and business entity formation. Caryn is a 2004 graduate of University of Maryland, College Park, where she received her B.S. in Marketing, and a 2008 graduate of University of Baltimore School of Law where she received her J.D.

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WHAT'S NEW ...

Denise C. Hammond is pleased to announce that **Leslie K. Dellon**, a past Chair of the D.C. Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, has joined the firm and that the firm name has changed to **Hammond Immigration Law, P.C.**

Hoover Law Offices is pleased to announce that **Melissa Kenney Ngaruri** has joined the firm. Ms. Ngaruri brings her wide-ranging experience in small business and NGO international development from her service in the U.S. Peace Corps and during her studies in law school, during which time she formed a company to successfully negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding with the city of Antananarivo in Madagascar. Ms. Ngaruri also brings to Hoover Law Offices significant experience in education and in the mental health treatment field, and will offer legal representation to clients in need of education, special education, juvenile, criminal and immigration legal services. In addition, Ms. Ngaruri will also provide legal representation for small and mid-size family businesses or organizations with their various legal needs. A member of the Bar in Maryland, Ms. Ngaruri received her Juris

Doctor from Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law in 2007 and a Bachelor of Science from Portland State University in 1995.

Houlon, Berman, Bergman, Finci, Levenstein & Skok, LLC is pleased to announce that **Stuart Skok** has joined the firm as partner. She will continue her practice in the area of divorce and family law, including divorce and custody litigation, mediation and collaborative law. She will be located in the firm's new Rockville office at One Church Street, Suite 800, Rockville, Maryland 20850, (301) 444-4432. Houlon Berman's office in Prince George's County will remain at 7850 Walker Drive, Suite 160, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, (301) 459-8200. The firm's practice areas include criminal and traffic, personal injury, business and civil litigation, divorce and family law. For more information, visit our newly updated website at: www.houlonberman.com.

Joseph, Greenwald & Laake is pleased to announce the Fall, 2009 opening of its Montgomery County office located at 111 Rockville Pike, Suite 975, Rockville, MD 20850; tel.: (301) 220-2200. We are also

pleased to announce that **Debora Fajer-Smith** has joined the firm with her practice in Workers' Compensation and Personal Injury Litigation. Ms. Fajer-Smith was named in the Top 100 Women of Maryland by the Daily Record in 2007.

Paley Rothman has named **David P. Shapiro** and **Bibi M. Berry** as principals of the firm. David is a member of the firms Business/Commercial Transactions, Mergers/Acquisitions, Health Law and Employment Law practice groups. He represents individuals and business entities in a broad range of general business, commercial and complex transactional and regulatory matters. A graduate of Catholic University's Columbus School of Law, he is licensed to practice in Maryland and the District of Columbia. Bibi is a member of the firm's Family Law practice group who handles divorce, marital settlement agreements, child custody and visitation among other matters, and accepts appointments as Best Interest Attorney throughout the state of Maryland, representing minor children in contested custody and visitation cases. She earned her J.D. at the Georgetown

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Darcy Shoop is pleased to announce that as of July 1, 2009, she will begin a solo practice focusing primarily on settlement advocacy with an emphasis on Collaborative Practice and mediation. Ms. Shoop is the founding and Past-President of the Collaborative Divorce Association as well as the Maryland Collaborative Practice Council. Named by Washingtonian Magazine in 2007 and 2009 as a top divorce lawyer, Ms. Shoop also is AV rated by Martindale Hubbell. Her new office is located at 110 N. Washington Street, Suite 300, Rockville, MD; (301)

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DISTRICT COURT SCHEDULE: AUGUST 2009

SAO JUVENILE SCHEDULE – AUGUST 2009

	MONDAY 3	TUESDAY 4	WEDNESDAY 5	THURSDAY 6	FRIDAY 7
Adjudicatory Crm –					
Duty Cases	Gleason	Cobb	Hendricks	Cobb	Hendricks
Duty Courtroom/am	Hendricks	Gleason	PT's	Hendricks	Cobb
Duty Courtroom/pm	Hendricks	Gleason	Cobb	Hendricks	Cobb
Emergencies	Burrowes	Hendricks	Burrowes	NONE	Burrowes
Court Coverage					
Drug Court/Truancy					
Other					
Not Available					
	10	11	12	13	14
Adjudicatory Crm –					
Duty Cases	Cobb	Hendricks	Burke	Hendricks	Gleason
Duty Courtroom/am	Burke	Cobb	PT's	Earle-Hill	Earle-Hill
Duty Courtroom/pm	Burke	Cobb	Gleason	Burke	Earle-Hill
Emergencies	Hendricks	Burrowes	Hendricks	Cobb	Burke
Court Coverage					
Drug Court/Truancy					
Other					
Not Available					
	17	18	19	20	21
Adjudicatory Crm –					
Duty Cases	Cobb	Burke	Hendricks	Gleason	Burke
Duty Courtroom/am	Hendricks	Gleason	PT's	Earle-Hill	Earle-Hill
Duty Courtroom/pm	Hendricks	Gleason	Burke	Cobb	Earle-Hill
Emergencies	Gleason	Hendricks	Cobb	Burke	Cobb
Court Coverage					
Drug Court/Truancy					
Other					
Not Available					
	24	25	26	27	28
Adjudicatory Crm –					
Duty Cases	Gleason	Cobb	Burke	Gleason	Rodriguez
Duty Courtroom/am	Burke	Rodriguez	PT's	Earle-Hill	Earle-Hill
Duty Courtroom/pm	Burke	Rodriguez	Rodriguez	Cobb	Earle-Hill
Emergencies	Rodriguez	Gleason	Cobb	Burke	Earle-Hill
Court Coverage					
Drug Court/Truancy					
Other					
Not Available					
	31				
Adjudicatory Crm –					
Duty Cases	Burke				
Duty Courtroom/am	Rodriguez				
Duty Courtroom/pm	Rodriguez				
Emergencies	Hendricks				
Court Coverage					
Drug Court/Truancy					
Other					
Not Available					

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JUDGES SCHEDULES—JULY

District Court Judges' Schedule - August 2009

DATE		RV302	RV304	RV203	RV202	RV101	RV204/ Bonds	SS401	SS402	SS301	SS302	HR303
Monday	3	Hamilton	Sarsfield	Johnson	Mitchell	VJ	Crawford	Wolfe	Simmons	McCally	Kim	CLOSED
Tuesday	4	Crawford	Simmons	Mitchell	Wolfe	McCally	Kim	Ivengam	Johnson	Sarsfield	Hamilton	CLOSED
Wednesday	5	Everngam	Wolfe	Conroy	Sarsfield	Hamilton	Johnson	Simmons	Conroy	Mitchell	Crawford	Kim
Thursday	6	Wolfe	Hamilton	Johnson	Conroy	Mitchell	Simmons	Crawford	Sarsfield	Ivengam	Kim	CLOSED
Friday	7	Johnson	Ivengam	Crawford	Kim	VJ	Wolfe	Conroy	CLOSED	VJ	Hamilton	CLOSED
Monday	10	Wolfe	Hamilton	Everngam	Crawford	VJ	Mitchell	Kim	McCally	Conroy	Johnson	CLOSED
Tuesday	11	McCally	Sarsfield	Wolfe	Conroy	Johnson	Hamilton	Crawford	Mitchell	Kim	Everngam	CLOSED
Wednesday	12	Kim	McCally	Wolfe	Ivengam	VJ	Conroy	Sarsfield	Johnson	Mitchell	Crawford	Hamilton
Thursday	13	Conroy	Sarsfield	Mitchell	Johnson	VJ	Crawford	Everngam	Kim	Hamilton	McCally	CLOSED
Friday	14	Johnson	Everngam	Hamilton	Mitchell	Crawford	Kim	Conroy	CLOSED	Wolfe	Sarsfield	CLOSED
Monday	17	McCally	Kim	Sarsfield	Conroy	Mitchell	Wolfe	Hamilton	Crawford	VJ	Johnson	CLOSED
Tuesday	18	Hamilton	Crawford	Conroy	Wolfe	Sarsfield	Ivengam	Johnson	Kim	Mitchell	McCally	CLOSED
Wednesday	19	Everngam	Hamilton	Wolfe	Kim	Crawford	McCally	VJ	Conroy	Johnson	Mitchell	Sarsfield
Thursday	20	Hamilton	Kim	Ivengam	Johnson	VJ	Mitchell	Conroy	Wolfe	McCally	Sarsfield	CLOSED
Friday	21	Ivengam	Sarsfield	Mitchell	McCally	Johnson	Wolfe	Crawford	CLOSED	Hamilton	Kim	CLOSED
Monday	24	McCally	Mitchell	Crawford	Conroy	Wolfe	Simmons	Kim	Sarsfield	Hamilton	Johnson	CLOSED
Tuesday	25	Conroy	Sarsfield	CLOSED	Kim	Hamilton	Johnson	Wolfe	Mitchell	Simmons	Crawford	McCally*
Wednesday	26	Mitchell	Wolfe	Kim	Hamilton	Crawford	Sarsfield	Conroy	McCally	VJ	Simmons	Johnson
Thursday	27	Sarsfield	Mitchell	Kim	Simmons	McCally	Hamilton	Johnson	Wolfe	Crawford	Conroy	CLOSED
Friday	28	Simmons	Crawford	McCally	Johnson	Hamilton	Mitchell	Sarsfield	CLOSED	VJ	Kim	CLOSED
Monday	31	Wolfe	Mitchell	Conroy	Kim	Sarsfield	Ivengam	Hamilton	Simmons	McCally	Johnson	CLOSED
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20 - Judges' Meeting												

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Circuit Court

	2009	Criminal	Civil	Duty	Motions	Family	General	CINA	Delinq	JuvDuty	EAP Duty	Drug Court
	August											
		Bernard CM										
8/3/2009	3rd- 9th	McGann CM	Boynton	Algeo	Dugan		Mason	Salant	Savage	Burrell	Savage	
	wk 814	Scrivener PT	McCormick	Thompson 3	Thompson	Craven	Thompson		Rubin	McGuckian	Greenberg	Adult - Rupp
			Debellus	McGann 5		(Pinque)	(Rowan)					Juvenile - Savage
			Dugan	Greenberg 4,6,7		Greenberg*	McGann					McHugh
						Rubin						
						Jordan						
						Bernard						
						Rupp						
						Johnson						
8/10/2009	10th-16th	McGann PT	Boynton	McCormick	Thompson		Mason	Savage	Burrell	Salant	Algeo	Adult - Rupp
	wk 815	Scrivener CM	Dugan		Dugan	Craven	(Rowan)	No CINA 10		Greenberg		Juvenile - Savage
		Boynton	Debellus		Craven-ROW	(Pinque)	Scrivener	Craven				Juvenile - McHugh
			Algeo		ROW lba	Greenberg	Thompson					
					by A/O	Rubin *						
						Jordan						
						Bernard						
						Rupp						
						Johnson						
8/17/2009	17th-23rd	McGann CM	Boynton	Thompson	Mason		(Rowan)	Burrell	Salant	Savage	Dist Court	Adult - Rupp
	wk 816	Scrivener PT	Dugan	Craven 21	McCormick	Craven*	Scrivener		Boynton			Juvenile - Savage
		Dugan PT	McCormick			(Pinque)	Mason		Bernard			
		Johnson PT only	(Harrington)			Greenberg						
			Algeo			Rubin						
						Bernard						
						Jordan						
						Rupp						
						Johnson						
						Thompson* 17						Craven
8/24/2009	24th-30th	McGann PT	Dugan	Dugan	Boynton		(Rowan)	Salant	(Pinque)	Burrell	(Pinque)	Adult - Rupp
	wk 817	Scrivener CM	McCormick	Greenberg 28		Craven* 24-27	Mason		Jordan		Jordan	Juvenile - Savage
			(Harrington)			Savage	Thompson					
			Algeo			Greenberg* 28						
						Rubin						
						Bernard						
						Rupp*						
						Johnson						
8/31/2009	31st- 6th	McGann CM	Boynton	Algeo	Scrivener		(Rowan)	(Pinque)	Burrell	Salant	Boynton	Adult - Rupp
	wk 818	Thompson CM	Dugan			Craven	McGann	Jordan				Juvenile - Savage
		Mason PT	McCormick			Savage	Thompson					
			(Harrington)			Greenberg						
						Rubin						
						Bernard						
						Rupp						
						Johnson*						

*Family Duty; CM=Criminal Motions; PT=Criminal PreTrial Jury Demand/Appeal Docket

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12 4:30p.m. CR Legal Ethics Committee
 13 7:30a.m. CR Fall Outing Meeting
 28 6:00p.m. C/S Education Law Section Happy Hour

SEPTEMBER

2 8:00 C/S Circuit Court Bench Bar Committee
 12:15p.m. CR Youth Courthouse Committee
 7 HOLIDAY – Bar Association Offices Closed
 8 8:00a.m. C/S Real Estate Law Section
 9 8:00a.m. C/S Alternative Dispute Resolution Section
 Noon CLR Immigration Law Section
 12:15p.m. CR Employment Law Section
 4:30p.m. CR Legal Ethics Committee
 10 4:30p.m. CR Workers Compensation Law Section
 14 11:45a.m. C/S Estate & Trust Law Section
 5:00p.m. CR Executive Committee Meeting
 15 6:00p.m. C/S Business Law Section Meeting
 16 8:00a.m. C/S Commercial Litigation Section Meeting
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 21 5:00p.m. CR Foundation Board of Directors Meeting
 22 7:45a.m. CLE CLE Breakfast—Family Law
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