What Happened in 1915?

By Cowin Knowles, President MCBA

Several notable and some obscure events occurred 100 years ago. You might be surprised to learn that in 1915 the following events occurred:

The United States House of Representatives rejected a proposal to give women the right to vote.

Kiwanis International was founded in Detroit as the Supreme Lodge of Benevolent Order of Brothers.

The first United States coast-to-coast long-distance telephone call was made by Alexander Graham Bell in New York City to his former assistant, Thomas A. Watson, in San Francisco, California.

While working as a cook at New York’s Sloan Hospital for Women under an assumed name, “Typhoid Mary,” an asymptomatic carrier of Typhoid Fever, infects 25 people and was placed in quarantine for life.

The film Birth of a Nation premiered in Los Angeles.

Charlie Chaplin’s film, The Tramp, was released.

Canadian soldier, John McCrae, wrote the poem In Flanders Fields.

Babe Ruth hit his first career homerun for the Boston Red Sox.

The New York Yankees donned pinstripes and the hat in ring logo for the first time.

The SS Lusitania was sunk by a German submarine and 1,098 lives were lost.

AT & T became the first corporation to have 1,000,000 stockholders.

Thomas Edison invented the telescribe to record telephone conversations.

Subway service began in Brooklyn, New York.

Einstein’s theory of general relativity was formulated.

Former cartoonist John B. Gruelle was given a patent for his Raggedy Ann doll.

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The 1,000,000th Ford car rolled off the assembly line at the River Rouge Plant in Detroit.

Notable births that year include actor Anthony Quinn, actor/director Orson Wells, actress Ingrid Bergman, and entertainer/actor Frank Sinatra.

The first transatlantic radio telephone message was sent from Arlington, Virginia, to Paris, France.

Jack Johnson became the first black World Heavyweight Boxing Champion.

Hurricane two of the 1915 Atlantic hurricane season hit Galveston and New Orleans left 275 people dead.

Although it may not have made national or international news, the Montgomery Bar Association was formed in 1915. On October 1, 2015, the MCBA will celebrate the 100th year anniversary of our Association with the Centennial Gala at the Capital City Club. The evening will begin with cocktails at 6:00 p.m. followed by a dinner and program at 7:00 p.m. Seating is limited for this special event so get your tickets now. Different sponsorship levels are available. All proceeds will benefit the Montgomery County Volunteer Lawyers Program, which provides legal assistance for the most needy in our community.

We will be honoring MCBA’s past presidents at the event. Past presidents have been asked to lead the way in MCBA’s fundraising efforts by challenging them to see which past president can raise the most money. Make a donation in honor of your favorite past president. Donations can be made by check payable to the Montgomery County Bar Foundation or by going online to [www.mcbar.org](http://www.mcbar.org) and clicking on the “Read more” button under the Gala logo. All donations made to the Foundation in honor of a past president are tax deductible and the donor will receive a tax donation receipt after the event. Past presidents will be sharing tall tales and courtroom war stories that are a part of the past presidents’ and our Bar’s legacy. MCBA is also selling commemorative T-shirts for $25. You may also obtain prints of the Phelps-Price Courthouse or the “Old Courthouse” for $75 each. Again, seating is limited to the first 200 who make their reservations, so don’t delay and make plans to attend “the Event” for fall 2015.

Circuit Judges Help Students

Judge Johnny Hardwick spearheaded a drive in which the 15th Judicial Circuit Judges and other parties contributed funds for bookbags and supplies for Thelma Smiley Morris Elementary School. Contributing to the effort was Judge Pamela Higgins, Judge Greg Griffin, Judge Eugene Reese, Judge Troy Massey, Circuit Clerk Tiffany McCord, Deputy Clerk Gina Ishman, Judge Truman Hobbs, the District Attorney’s office, Judge Jimmy Pool, Judge William Shashy, Judge J.R. Gaines, The Public Defender’s Office, The Sheriff’s Department, Judge Bob Bailey, Probate Judge Steven Reed, Judge Johnny Hardwick, Judge Anita Kelly, Judge Calvin Williams, Attorneys Lewis Gillis and Tyrone Means, Court Administrator Rob Sachar, and the Beasley Allen firm.
HONORING MCBA PAST PRESIDENTS

1930 Marion Rushton
1931 John P. Kohn, Jr.
1932 Ben Hardeman
1933 Thomas B. Hill, Jr.
1934 John B. Scott
1935 Heirston L. Foster
1936 John L. Goodwyn
1937 Norman T. Spain
1938 Luther H. Waller
1939 Charles M. Pinkston
1940 David Eugene Loe
1941 J.R. Thomas, Jr.
1942 William Inge Hill
1943 Evans Hinson
1944 Jack Crenshaw
1945 Walter Knabe
1946 William C. Thomas
1947 Sam Rice Baker
1948 J. Mac Jones
1949 R.S. Hill, Jr.
1950 Miles S. Hall
1951 R. Luther Ingalls
1952 Files Crenshaw
1953 Vaughan Hill Robinson
1954 James W. Garrett
1955 Jack L. Capell
1956 Sol Brinsfield, Jr.
1957 James J. Carter
1958 Drayton Hamilton
1959 Fontaine M. Howard
1960 Robert B. Stewart
1961 Richard C. Belser
1962 Robert F. Park
1963 Robert E. Steiner
1964 Otis J. Goodwyn
1965 William B. Moore, Jr.
1966 Truman Hobbs
1967 Harry Cole
1968 T. Bowen Hill, III
1969 Joseph Phelps
1970 Robert Varner
1971 Herman Hamilton, Jr.
1972 Robert Black
1973 Charles Porter
1974 Oakley Melton
1975 George Azar
1976 Maury Smith
1977 Albert Copeland
1978 Harry Perdue
1979 Walter Byars
1980 Tommy Lawson
1981 Larry Kloess
1982 Richard Jordan
1983 Euel Screws
1984 Henry Chappell
1985 David Byrne
1986 James Seale
1987 Edwin K. Livingston
1988 Wanda D. Devereaux
1989 Robert Segall
1990 John Pappanastos
1991 J. Floyd Minor
1992 Cliff Heard
1993 James E. Williams
1994 Dorothy Norwood
1995 Lee Copeland
1996 Thomas J. Methvin
1997 William Blanchard
1998 Mike Jackson
1999 Laura Crum
2000 Terry Brown
2001 Kent Garrett
2002 Cole Portis
2003 Jeffery C. Duffey
2004 Jimmy B. Pool
2005 C. Gibson Vance
2006 Donald R. Jones
2007 Les Pittman
2008 Alex Holtsford
2009 Patrick Sefton
2010 Paul Clark
2011 Kendall Dunson
2012 Mike Winter
2013 David Martin
2014 Ben Schoettker
Current President Cowin Knowles
T-shirts $25.00 for one

Payments for tickets ($75.00 each) and t-shirts ($25.00) may be made online at www.mcbar.org or by mail to MCBA, P.O. Box 72, Montgomery, AL 36101 payable to MCBA.

For Sponsorship information, go to www.mcbar.org.
Montgomery County Bar Association cordially invites you to attend

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1915 2015

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and honoring past presidents

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015
RECEPTION AT 6:00 P.M.
DINNER & PROGRAM AT 7:00 P.M.

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201 MONROE STREET
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RSVP by September 18, 2015

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All proceeds will go to benefit the Montgomery Volunteer Lawyers Program
Women’s Section Summer Update  
By Laura Eubank, WLS President

As the summer is finally drifting away, and we are sending kids back to school, the Women’s Section took some well-deserved time to unwind and pamper ourselves at Anthony Vince Nail Salon on August 15th. We enjoyed catching up with one another, and discussing fun and interesting summer events and travels. Thank you so much to our sponsor, Baker Realtime Court Reporting, for helping provide us all with this much needed break.

We are having our next General Membership Meeting September 1, 2015, at the Capital City Club, at 5:30 p.m. It is time, once again, to elect new officers and board members. If you would like to run for the position of President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, or one of the Board of Directors positions, your letter of intent to run should have been sent to Connie Murray at cmurray@conniemurrayesq.com, by August 28, 2015. We will vote for our 2016 officers and Board of Directors at the General Membership Meeting, so make sure you are there! This will also be the perfect time to share your thoughts and ideas on how to improve our organization, or suggest any ideas for educational opportunities, social events, and community involvement opportunities that we can be a part of in 2016. Once again, Baker Realtime Court Reporting and The Law Offices of Roianne Houlton Conner will be sponsoring this event. We appreciate all that they do in helping us to build our organization!

I have enjoyed serving as the president of this organization for the past year. We continue to grow and find new ways to help serve our community and each other. I encourage each of our MCBA female members to join the Women’s Section and participate in our events. Not only do we always have a great time, but we are building connections and friendships that will last a lifetime. Thank you all again for this wonderful opportunity. I look forward to seeing all of our members on September 1st!
Member News

Welcome to our newest members!

Mrs. Casey N. Biggs—Alabama Law Enforcement Agency
Ms. Dana Delk—Delk Tomlinson Law
Mr. Norman Hurst—Norman Hurst, Jr., Attorney
Ms. Laura Skinner—Laura Skinner, Attorney at Law

In Memoriam—Floyd R. Gilliland passed away August 8, 2015. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to his wife, Janie, and his partners and associates in the firm.

Congratulations are in order for several attorneys at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings. The firm was named as one of the 2015 Working Mother and Flex-Time Lawyers 50 Best Law Firms for Women. Honorees are selected and applauded for raising the bar through family-friendly policies, talent cultivation, business development initiatives, and ultimately creating best practices that retain women by advancing them into the leadership pipeline. Also, Bradley Arant had 5 Montgomery attorneys recognized as Lawyers of the Year in the 2015 Best Lawyers in America. Those recognized are: Phillip H. Butler (Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation); W. Stanley Gregory (Public Finance Law, Tax Law); William C. McGowin (Mass Tort Litigation, Litigation–Insurance, Product Liability Litigation-Defendants); George R. Parker (Commercial Litigation, Litigation-Insurance, Product Liability Litigation-Defendants); Charles A. Stewart (Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation-Labor and Employment, Product Liability Litigation-Defendant).


The National Black Lawyers: Top 40 Under 40 selected Clint A. Richardson of Capell and Howard, P.C. for inclusion into its Top 40 Under 40 Black Lawyers, an honor given to only a select group of lawyers for their superior skills and qualifications in the field. Membership in this organization is by invitation only, and is limited to the top 40 attorneys in each state or region who have demonstrated excellence and have achieved outstanding results in their careers. Congratulations, Clint!

On July 15 at the Annual Meeting of the Alabama Judicial College held at the Marriott Grand Hotel in Point Clear, Judge Jimmy Pool was elected President of the Alabama District Judges Association. He will serve until July 2016. Judge Pool said, “I am humbled to be selected to represent the other 105 District Judges in Alabama.” He remarked that of primary concern for the judiciary is adequate funding for the Court System. Congratulations, Judge Pool!

Left: Hon. Jimmy B. Pool
Right: Clint Richardson
**CLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS**

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**MCBA SUPER CLE**

December 9-10 at Wynlakes Country Club

12 hours

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**3rd Annual Cutting Edge CLE**

November 5th

8:45--4:45

State Capitol Auditorium

(Lunch on your own)

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Pre-register today!

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FREE

6 hours approved credits, including 1 hour of ethics

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**Save the Date**

Tuesday, October 6, 2015

1:00—5:00 p.m.

**Alabama’s Pro Bono Kickoff Celebration**

Tuskegee University Auditorium

4 hours of FREE CLE

Reception following!

Sponsored by the 3rd Judicial Circuit Bar Association and the 5th Judicial Circuit bar Association

Register by emailing Christy Crow ccrow@jinkslaw.com
School’s back in session and summer draws to a close. Football season is upon us and, hopefully, the weather is becoming a little more tolerable. It’s been a busy year for the MVLP so far, and we look forward to continuing our efforts to provide civil legal aid to Montgomery’s indigent population in the months ahead.

I am pleased to report that, through August 10 of this year, we received 449 requests for assistance, up from 268 for the same time in 2014, resulting in 209 cases opened. For the period, we have closed 189 cases, thanks to the commitment of our volunteer attorneys. Our regular Advice and Counsel Clinics, now held twice monthly, have assisted 163 clients this year, compared to 80 for the same period last year. Our volunteers truly make a difference in the lives of our clients. If you haven’t helped staff one of our clinics, please consider take a couple of hours on the first or third Tuesday afternoon and come join us. We can use your help. Call the MVLP office at 265-0222 and let us know when you’re available.

Clients are also able to contact us directly to request assistance. Through August 10, 266 individuals have made direct application for legal help with their civil legal problems. And that’s one way you can help as well. If you see a client who needs legal help that your or your firm doesn’t handle, and you believe they would qualify for our program, please encourage them to contact us. Eligible clients must be U.S. citizens, have household income within 125% of the federal poverty guidelines, and face civil issues within program guidelines. The areas for which we see the most clients include uncontested divorce, consumer disputes/debt, probate, landlord/tenant matters, child custody/support with parties agreement, and foreclosure/eviction.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Docket you’ll find information about the upcoming 10th Annual MCBA Charity Event, “The Centennial Gala,” celebrating 100 years of serving the Montgomery Bar and honoring past presidents of MCBA. Since MVLP is the beneficiary of this year’s event, I want to encourage you to consider the sponsorship package outlined on the MCBA website at www.mcbar.org. Plan now to attend on October 1. A good time should be had by all.

As always, we want to thank those volunteers who came to support our advice and counsel clinics in August: (Aug. 4) Matt Munson, Liz Eiland, and Kesha Nowell (Beasley Allen) and Maceo Kirkland (Legal Services of Alabama); (Aug. 18) Karen Laneaux (The Law Office of Sandra Lewis, P.C.), John Charles (The Anderson Firm), Joana Ellis (Alabama Defense Lawyers Association), and Maceo Kirkland (Legal Services of Alabama).

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Young Lawyers Collect Bookbags for Students  
By Jesse Anderson, YLS President

Great news and way to go, Young Lawyers! We collected 47 new book bags and a little more than 300 dollars at the YLS social on August 13th. It was a huge success. Thanks to all that contributed. The book bags were presented to the Montgomery County Board of Education on August 19th, and later distributed among the elementary school principals. Rather than buying more book bags, the money was given to the MCBOE’s social services office to buy school supplies. I hope we can hold this event again next year with at least the same results. It was an easy way to help children that are less fortunate, as well as shedding a positive light on our group.

Moving forward…how many times has the start of football season been mentioned in the articles written above? It sells. The Young Lawyers do not have a date set for the next social, but most likely will center it around the sport, and have it on a Thursday night in early September. Details will be emailed soon. Stay tuned!

Jesse Anderson
YLS President

Pictured right—Beau Darley, Brannan Reaves, Jesse Anderson, Charlie Hawthorne, and Elliot Lipinsky at the YLS Social where they collected 47 bookbags.

Great job, YLS!

Thanks for helping our students in need.
Centennial Commemorative Items for Sale

Prints of Pen and ink drawings of the Phelps-Price Courthouse and the original Montgomery County Courthouse — $50.00 each

(artist Barbara Davis)

Courthouse print or MCBA logo Notecards—set of 10 for $20.00

Contact MCBA Office to order yours.

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