GOOD CAUSES

Please hold the date of November 9, 2017 for the annual MCBA fund-raiser. As we did last year, the theme will be a “Tailgate” event. It will be held at the Train Shed from roughly 6:30 to 11:00 PM. The feature band will be Dread Clampitt and we will open with a band made up of very talented Montgomery attorneys. I will not be disclosing their identity – you will need to show up to find out who they are and how good they are. Sponsorship opportunities are now available for the event and I hope that many of our members and firms will step forward. A “VIP” area will be created at the Train Shed for those who sponsor the event at a certain level. Vintage Year will again provide food and I hope you will be able to join us.

Proceeds from the event will go to our Montgomery Volunteer Lawyer Program (MVLP). This is a fantastic cause and thanks to the many members who help make it successful. Speaking of the MVLP, Laurel Crawford has been named Executive Director. I think she is an excellent choice and will do a fantastic job. We also wish outgoing Executive Director Mike Martin a happy and prosperous retirement. We thank Mike for his outstanding service.

Rhon Jones, President
“My time is up; I thank you for yours.” I never thought I’d be quoting a staunch Auburnite, but the late Jim Fyffe said it best. As MVLP looks to a bright future under the leadership of newly-named Executive Director Laurel Crawford, I’m looking back at the past four-and-a-half years and am thankful for the continuing support of the Montgomery Bar for our volunteer lawyers program.

We have over 400 attorneys in Montgomery who have unselfishly volunteered to provide civil legal aid to those less fortunate in our community facing, at times, dramatic legal impacts on their lives. You have risen to the call, and made a significant difference in the lives of people who had nowhere else to turn. Whether volunteering to staff our twice-monthly Advice and Counsel Clinics, taking a case referral when we called, or providing necessary financial support, the membership of MCBA has much of which to be proud with their VLP.

I also find myself looking forward. Not just, in my opinion, to a much-deserved retirement, but also to the very encouraging days ahead for the MVLP. Laurel comes to the position of Executive Director with a great deal of enthusiasm and commitment to the program. I’m certain she will enjoy working with you as much as I have, and will embark on new and improved ways to best serve our community. With your continued commitment, the program will move forward to even greater heights.

While I’m playing golf, enhancing my culinary skills, and as my wife would say, ‘doing nothing,’ I’ll look fondly back at the formative years of the MVLP knowing that, with your help, we have made a difference for the better in our community. Thank you again for all you do. And for the opportunity to be a part of something that allowed me to be a ‘giver’ rather than a ‘taker’.

Speaking of our regular clinics, a special thank you is in order for those who have given a couple of hours’ service on a Tuesday afternoon the past couple of months. Among them are Katie O’Mailia (O’Mailia Law Office), John Charles (The Anderson Firm), Evan Allen (Beasley Allen), Heath Loftin (Reynolds, Reynolds & Little), LaKesha Shahid (Shahid & Hosea), Jeff Duffey (Duffey Law Office), Stephen Last (Legal Services Alabama), Liz Eiland (Beasley Allen), Joel Caldwell (Copeland Franco), Joana Ellis (Holtsford Gilliland), Royce Wadsworth (Wadsworth Law Office), Laurel Crawford (Crawford Law Office), Kia Scott (Scott Law Office), Aigner Kolom (Beasley Allen), and David Weston (The Anderson Firm). The opportunity to join the fun comes every first and third Tuesday from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Give Laurel or Barbara Ann a call at 265-0222 and offer to be a part of this much-needed service.

October is Pro Bono Month in Alabama, and we have activities planned throughout the month. Take a few hours and give back. I promise it will be a rewarding experience.

Mike Martin,
Executive Director for MVLP
NEW SEASON, NEW BOARD

It’s a new year for the Women’s Section Board and Officers! I would like to give a warm welcome and a big thanks to our new board and officers. I am honored to serve as President for another year and would like to introduce you to our 2017-2018 Board:

Vice-President: Virginia Reeves, Bradley Arant
Secretary/Treasurer: Aigner Kolom, Beasley Allen

Board of Directors:
Morgan Booker, Holtsford Gilliland
Ali Hawthorne, Beasley Allen
Jordan Jenkins, Hill Hill Carter
Madelyn Mauldin, Montgomery Co. District Attorney’s Office
Kelly McTear, Clinical Professor at Faulkner Law
Sarah Osborne, Bradley Arant

I am also pleased to announce our new committees, which will be chaired by our Board, and open for all members to join. The committees are Membership, Community Service, and Social. More information will be emailed to our members soon. If you would like to join one of these committees, please email us at mcbawomen@gmail.com.
FALL INTO ACTION

The Women’s Section will be participating in a fall service project. Once details have been finalized, that information will be distributed to our members. Make sure to follow our Facebook page at MCBA Women’s Section to keep up with our news and events. If you are a member and are not receiving our emails, please let us know.

WS Members with Halcyon Elementary staff at our Summer Service Day
As everyone has been gearing up for the new school year, the Young Lawyers have been busy as well. Before classes started, the Young Lawyers Section was honored to donate twenty-three school uniforms and $300 worth of school supplies to Montgomery County students in need. When we showed up to drop off the donation, the school was already completely out of uniforms and school supplies to offer parents, so it was a great feeling for us to help out. Providing for these children and parents who are without even the bare essentials for school was heart-warming and we look forward to many more opportunities in the future to partner with the Montgomery County Public Schools.
WORK HARD, PLAY HARD

Join us for a Young Lawyers Oktoberfest Social at Goat Haus Biergarten

Thursday, October 19, 2017
5:30pm - 7:30pm
532 Clay Street

Thank you to our sponsor Baker Realtime Court Reporting

We hope everyone enjoyed our socials this summer. The Young Lawyers Section had a great social at the new Moe’s BBQ in Cloverdale on July 27, 2017. We had a great turnout! On August 31, 2017, we had another successful social where we kicked off the start of the football season at Pine Bar with cold beverages and hot dogs right off the grill. Thank you to everyone that came out and partied with us and a huge thank you to our sponsor, Eagle Court Reporting, who made these socials great! Please join us for our Oktoberfest Social on October 19, 2017 at Goat Haus Biergarten in downtown Montgomery.

For those of you not receiving our Young Lawyers Section emails or if you are wanting to become a member of the Young Lawyers Section, please contact our Secretary/Treasurer at elliottlipinsky@gmail.com.
Our deepest sympathy is expressed to the families and friends of Ronald Edward Boackle who passed away September 23, 2017. He was admitted to the Bar September 25, 1995.

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to the families and friends of James K. Davis who passed away October 4, 2017. He was admitted to the Bar January 1, 1960.

Hill Hill Carter is pleased to announce the addition of Jordan Speake Jenkins to the firm. Mrs. Jenkins will be based in Hill Hill Carter’s Montgomery, Alabama office. As an associate, Mrs. Jenkins practice will include a broad range of civil litigation matters with an emphasis on insurance defense. Mrs. Jenkins is admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Alabama as well as the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Beasley Allen lawyer Navan Ward, Jr., has been appointed to the Plaintiffs Executive Committee (PEC) for the multidistrict litigation involving proton pump inhibitor (PPI) drugs linked to kidney damage. Ward is one of five attorneys appointed to the PEC. The U.S. Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation granted the plaintiffs’ motion to consolidate PPI in the U.S. District Court in the District of New Jersey under Judge Claire C. Cecchi.

New Members:
Jessica Brown - U.S. Bankruptcy Court
Seth Capper - Gilpin Givhan
Lawanda Ross - The Anderson Law Firm
Rachel Lyle - Public Defender’s Office
Join us for our 2nd Annual “MCBA Tailgate” Featuring Great Food, Local Craft Beers, and Live Music!

Entertainment by

Thursday, November 9, 2017, 6:30-10:30 p.m.

Union Station Train Shed
210 Water Street, Montgomery, Alabama

Tickets and Sponsorship Information available at www.mcbar.org

All proceeds will benefit
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Casual Attire

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13TH ANNUAL
Don Garner
Charity Golf Classic
Benefiting the Faulkner Law Student Disaster Relief Fund

Friday, October 27, 2017
at The Arrowhead Country Club
Registration: 11:30AM–12:30PM
Tee-time: 1:00PM
Dinner: 6:00PM

Dinner sponsored by the Alabama Association for Justice. Live radio remote by 107.5 FM–The Ticket’s Doug Amos and Charlie Trotman. Each player receives green fee and cart, range balls, dinner, t-shirt and the opportunity to win fantastic door prizes! Contests include closest-to-the-pin, long drive, and hole-in-one. Player Help Packages (including mulligans and throwies) will be available for purchase at the event.

**Individual Players:**
- ___ $75 Law student

**Teams:**
- ___ $300 Student Team

**Extras:**
- ___ $30 Dinner and shirt
- ___ $15 Dinner only
- ___ $15 Shirt only
- ___ $5 Raffle

**Awards:**
*Net Division: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd
*Hole-in-One Shoot Out

For student registration, email Michael Jackson, Golf Tournament Senator at Law, at michael.h.jackson@faulkner.edu or register in person at the SBA Sign Up Table.
Position Announcement

With the upcoming retirement of Birmingham Bar Association Executive Director, Bo Landrum, the Birmingham Bar is seeking a new executive director. The specific information regarding the job description can be found at the Birmingham Bar’s website (http://birminghambar.org). Those interested should send a resume and a letter of interest no later than October 30, 2017, to EDSearchComm@birminghambar.org. It is the search committee’s hope that the new executive director can be selected by the end of the year. The Birmingham Bar Association is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Save The Date

The Annual Bench and Bar CLE will take place on November 30 and December 1 at the Federal Courthouse and the County Courthouse. Please save the date.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Bar Commissioners

FROM: Phillip W. McCallum, Executive Director

RE: Board Meeting Summary Notes – September 8, 2017

DATE: September 12, 2017

1. **Administrative** – Following the invocation by Flynn Mozingo and roll call, the minutes of the July 12, 2017 and July 15, 2017 Board Meetings and Minutes of the July 15, 2017 Grande Convocation and Annual Business Meeting were approved.

2. **Meeting Guests** - President Dowd recognized special guests including Edgar Black, president of the Colbert County Bar Association, Lee Knowles, president of the Geneva County Bar Association, Amy Marshall, president of the Coffee County Bar Association, Rocky Watson, former commissioner from Ft. Payne, Juan Ortega, chair of the Alabama State Bar Member Benefits Committee, and Cindy Seeley, executive director of the Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association.

3. **Guest Speaker and Special Guest** - President Dowd recognized Chief Justice Lyn Stuart and Justice Mike Bolin of the Supreme Court of Alabama and thanked them for attending the commission meeting. President Dowd also recognized the leadership and partnership of Chief Justice Stuart and Justice Bolin, who serves as the Supreme Court’s liaison justice to the Alabama State Bar.

Chief Justice Stuart gave a brief update on the current state of the judiciary in Alabama. Specifically, the Chief Justice reported that there are 38 new trial court judges who have taken the bench in the past 18 months.

Chief Justice Stuart gave an update on court funding and the request made for funding in the Fiscal Year 2018 budget. She also reported on how the courts are now able to show, by county, how court fees are collected and distributed. This type of reporting has been valuable to legislators who are considering funding for the court system.

In closing, Chief Justice Stuart gave an update on the Judicial Reallocation Commission, which has been appointed and is scheduled to meet for the first time in January 2018.
President Dowd recognized Justice Mike Bolin and invited him to address the commission. Justice Bolin stated that he was proud to be liaison justice to the bar. He stated that bar governance and bar leadership is currently in great hands and that he is encouraged by the relationship between the Court and the bar.

4. **Reprimands** - Arthur Davis Shores Lee, Clinton Chadwell Carter and Alfred Dudlow Norris, III received public reprimands.

5. **President’s Report** – President Dowd stated that she was appreciative of the opportunity to serve as president of the Alabama State Bar. President Dowd reported that she has made great progress on committee and task force appointments, and thanked staff members who had assisted with that process. The president thanked Commissioners Lang Floyd and Mike Ermert for their efforts on judicial reallocation and reported that she had appointed Jim Reed and Harold Stevens to the Judicial Reallocation Commission.

President Dowd informed the commission of a Bar Leadership Symposium to be held on September 28, 2017. She also commented that she and the executive director have several speaking engagements lined up in an effort to build relationships with local bars and other groups around the state.

6. **Secretary’s Report** – Secretary McCallum recognized Commissioner Bill Broome who continues to improve with ongoing cancer treatment. Mr. McCallum informed the commission of the passing of former commissioner Tommy Chapman of Evergreen and the recent cancer diagnosis and resignation announcement of Bo Landrum, executive director of the Birmingham Bar.

Secretary McCallum informed the commission that he is making a priority to streamline communications to and from the Alabama State Bar. In addition, an emphasis is being placed on outreach to local bars and other organizations. Finally, Mr. McCallum presented the Executive Director “MVP” award to Commissioner Leslie Barineau who is serving as president of the National Association of Bar Foundations.

7. **OGC Report** – Acting General Counsel Douglas McElvy stated that the bar was blessed to have the current leadership at the Alabama State Bar and to have new leadership at the Supreme Court of Alabama. He said that the Office of General Counsel is in a time of transition and the degree of transition still depends on direction from the Supreme Court. In the meantime, Mr. McElvy commended the work of the three attorneys who serve as Assistant General Counsel, including the 95 free CLE programs they presented in the last year.

8. **Digital Communications Report** – Director of Digital Communications Eric Anderson updated the commission on the ongoing Consolidated Fee Invoice process. He reminded the commission that this is the first year in which the bar did not mail paper invoices.

9. **Presentation of Long Range Strategic Planning Task Force Report** – Commissioner Allison Skinner and Royal Dumas, co-chairs of the Long Range Strategic Planning Task Force presented the final report of the task force. This report constitutes long range planning recommendations for the Alabama State Bar for 2017-2022. The initial report was presented at the July 2017 meeting of the commission and two open conference calls have been held in the intervening time. The final report includes additions and changes recommended on the two open
conference calls. This discussion item became an action item and the final report of the Long Range Strategic Planning Task Force was adopted by the Board of Bar Commissioners.

10. **Member Benefit Presentation** - Cindy Seeley, Executive Director of the Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association, updated the commission on the insurance benefit offered to members of the Alabama State Bar who join the Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association as associate members. Ms. Seeley encouraged others to take advantage of this benefit and informed the commission that the insurance benefit offered extends to the attorney who joins as an associate member and to all of his or her staff members.

11. **Leadership Forum Update** - Commissioner George Parker informed the commission that applications are being accepted for Leadership Class 14, with a deadline of October 16, 2017. He encouraged commissioners to identify qualified members and to encourage them to apply for Leadership Forum.

12. **Pro Bono Month Celebration Update** – Commissioner Jana Garner updated the commission on planning that is underway for the 9th Annual Pro Bono Celebration in Alabama. October is designated as Pro Bono Month in Alabama and the statewide celebration event is scheduled for October 12, 2017 at the Federal Courthouse in Tuscaloosa. Commissioner Garner informed the commission that Alabama has the highest pro bono rate in the nation and the highest per capita pro bono participation in the nation.

13. **Change Member Benefits Task Force to a Standing Committee** – President Dowd informed the commission of a couple of changes to current committees. First, the Insurance Committee is being deactivated and its role is being folded into the work of the Member Benefits Task Force. In addition, President Dowd stated that her recommendation would be for the commission to consider changing the Member Benefits Task Force to a standing committee. This discussion item became an action item and was approved by the Board of Bar Commissioners.

14. **Discussion of Rule 33(a) of the Rules of Disciplinary Procedure** – President Dowd updated the commission on recent changes to the *Rules of Disciplinary Procedure*, which were recommended by the commission and approved by the Supreme Court. These changes were made to allow for publication of certain discipline on the Alabama State Bar website. Upon further review of the changes, it was recommended that additional changes be made to provide for appropriate publication of certain discipline on the Alabama State Bar website. This discussion item became an action item and was approved by the Board of Bar Commissioners.

15. **Rule III Applications** – The commission approved three individuals applying for admission by motion under Rule III of the *Rules Governing Admission to the Alabama State Bar*.

16. **Approval of Delegate to the ABA House of Delegates** – President Dowd informed the commission that Clark Cooper had resigned his position as Delegate of the ABA House of Delegates. She presented the names of Greg Cook, Billy Copeland, Richard Gaal, and Michael Vercher as nominees for the position. After a vote was taken, Michael Vercher received the majority of the votes and was elected to fill the vacant position on the ABA House of Delegates.
17. **Approval of Indigent Defense Advisory Board Appointments** - President Dowd informed the commission that Judge Joseph L. Boohaker, presiding judge of the 10th Judicial Circuit, recommended Brett C. Bloomston, Maria C. Fortune and Ross Kinder for appointment to the Indigent Defense Advisory Board and that the recommendation is unanimously supported by the Jefferson County delegation of the commission. The appointments were approved by the Board of Bar Commissioners.

18. **Appointment to the Private Investigators Board** - President Dowd informed the commission that it has an appointment to the Private Investigators Board, but that no nominations had been received. The president called for nominations from the floor and received none. This item was carried over to the commission meeting to be held on October 13, 2017. Nominations should be submitted in writing to Phillip McCallum, Executive Director, Alabama State Bar, P. O. Box 671, Montgomery, AL 36101.

19. **Staff Compensation FY2017-18** - Staff compensation of $3,352,095 was approved for staff compensation for FY2017-18.

PWM/dl
Immigration: Practical Tips for Legal and Social Service Providers

Oct. 17, 2017: Middle District of Alabama Federal Defenders, 817 S. Court St. Montgomery, Alabama
Oct. 18, 2017: Multi-Purpose Room, 205 Government Plaza, Mobile, Alabama

6 MCLE Credit Hours

Immigrants and asylum-seekers who come into contact with the courts and state agencies face a complex set of circumstances, where a single misstep can mean the difference between deportation and continued lawful presence in the United States. Whether you’re a civil attorney representing immigrant victims of domestic violence, a defense attorney representing an immigrant in criminal proceedings, or a social worker working with an immigrant client or family, this seminar will provide crucial information to help you and your client navigate the system. Topics will include the intersection of immigration and criminal defense law, country conditions, a primer on special visas, and in-depth discussion of the challenges facing immigrants and those working with them here in Alabama.

Registration will begin at 8:30 in each location, and the program will run from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, with box lunch provided for $10.00.

RSVP Required: leah.nelson@alabamaappleseed.org

This program is free to attorneys and social workers. CE credit for social workers is currently being sought.

Presenters:
- Nicole Ramos, Project Director, Border Rights Project, At Otro Lado, San Ysidro, CA
- Erika Pinheiro, Director of Policy & Technology, At Otro Lado, San Ysidro, CA
- Josh Medina, Equal Justice Works AmeriCorps Legal Fellow, University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa, AL

Sponsored by:
- Federal Defenders for the Northern, Middle, and Southern Districts of Alabama
- Alabama Civil Justice Foundation
- Alabama Appleseed
- ACLU of Alabama
Footnote 1
You might notice that the Docket looks a little different. Dot has officially passed the torch and unfortunately it has landed in my lap. I made everyone on the Board personally compliment me before accepting this and immediately looking for someone else to do it. Luckily my first choice, Mary Tyler Spivey (Capell & Howard’s new Communications Manager), agreed to do it. I have been asked to include something at the end of the Docket. It is a good thing that most people only read the first page, but the truly narcissistic do a word search of their name (present company included), so hopefully this will fly under the radar. If you see footnotes in future issues of the Docket, scroll to the end.

Footnote 2
I bet its Royal Dumas...
I hope it is not Royal.
I am going to ask for a refund if it is Royal.²

Footnote 3
So now she will get paid for doing this? Laurel, call me if you need an assistant.

Footnote 4
Effie- I promised I would not mention that you turned in your article late. My lips are sealed.

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¹ A wise attorney told me that is where to hide your insults of the other side, so it seemed a fitting name...
² Royal will now think he is cool when he word searches his name. Then he will be disappointed. Like you will be when you find out Royal is in the band.