2ND ANNUAL RACE JUDICATA UPDATE

Wait and see, wait and see... that was the name of the game this year for the Race Judicata Charity Committee. Held last year in late February, the committee decided to postpone Race Judicata, and “wait and see” whether it would be prudent to hold it later in the year, if at all. Finally, in early March, the decision was made to move forward with the 5k/10k/1mile event on May 8th. And Race Day could not have been more perfect. Despite the short preparation time, our community partners, colleagues, and volunteers came together for a great cause and a fun day! Participants made their way through the streets of downtown Montgomery, even up the challenging Dexter Avenue climb, and were awarded medals, trophies, door prizes, and a boxed brunch from Chappy’s upon crossing the finish line. There was music and merriment, and everyone enjoyed catching up with friends.

This event, especially during COVID, could not have happened but for the extraordinary dedication of the Race Committee, our community sponsors, First Baptist Church, ATE Timing, Jessica Bern Photography, and local volunteers—especially the Family Sunshine Center and Montgomery Volunteer Lawyers Program.

A Special Thanks to the following MCBA members for their extraordinary efforts in pulling this event together in the shortened prep time: Ali Hawthorne, Peyton Faulk, Tim Gallagher, Effie Hawthorne, Larry Golston, Stewart Vance, Kelly McTear, Matthew Ward, Ashley Penhale, Jesse Anderson, Suzanne Duffey, & Louise Blanchard.

You can view all the pictures of Race Judicata on its Facebook page.

Thanks again and we look forward to seeing you in 2022! Details soon!

-Amanda Senn,
Race Judicata Charity Event Chair
2ND ANNUAL RACE JUDICATA PHOTOS
PHOTOS FROM MCBA’S SUMMER BASH SOCIAL AT MOE’S ORIGINAL BBQ
Greetings Young Lawyers!

We had an amazing time at the Marina May Social with over one hundred people in attendance. Stories were shared, cases were discussed, friends and colleagues reunited, food devoured, and music played. I wanted to personally thank the Jackson Thorton Young Professionals and the ladies at Alabama Court Reporting Captioning & Litigation Support for helping sponsor this wonderful event. If you were unable to make it, have no fear as there are more good times to come.

Go ahead and mark your calendars for July 15, 2021, at 6:30 P.M. for a Thirsty Thursday with the Montgomery Biscuits.† Gilpin|Givhan, P.C., and Beasley Allen Law Firm have graciously offered us tickets for the Thirsty Thursday showdown against the Biloxi Shuckers. We have limited seating so please RSVP to hawthch@gmail.com to reserve your seat. There will be food, drinks, and America’s greatest pastime. Look forward to seeing you there!

Reminder to send us contact information about any young lawyer that you know in the River Region who would like to get involved.

Happy Lawyering,

Charlie Hawthorne
President of the MCBA Young Lawyers Section

†Biscuits baseball social event is exclusive to Young Lawyer Section members
In May, the Women’s Section hosted a Candle Making Party with Melissa Warnke Candles. We had a wonderful time reconnecting in person after a year without socials. Thank you to Alabama Court Reporting Captioning & Litigation Support for sponsoring this event!

During the first two weeks of June, the Women’s Section collected individually wrapped snacks for Child Protect Children’s Advocacy Center. Child Protect exists to minimize the trauma of a child being sexually or physically abused and helps rebuild young lives shattered by child abuse. Child Protect offers a non-threatening environment where a multidisciplinary team works together to minimize any further trauma during the justice and restoration process. Child Protect is always in need of individually wrapped snacks, copy paper, Amazon gift cards, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex. You can find an extensive list of needs or make a monetary donation on their website.

If you are not a member of the MCBA Women’s Section, now is the perfect time to join! We are waiving dues for the year 2021. If you would like to be a member, please e-mail us.

Best Regards,

Jordan Speake Jenkins,
President of the MCBA
Women’s Section
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The Alabama State Bar on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, presented Attorney Fred David Gray with an official resolution honoring his life, legacy and legal career, adopted by the 75-member Alabama State Bar Board of Bar Commissioners.

Alabama State Bar President Bob Methvin said, “Mr. Gray’s courage and conviction inspire all of us every day . . . Fred Gray became a lawyer because he understood that lawyers help people. For over sixty years, he has made this country a better place by following through on his commitment to destroy everything segregated that he could find.”

“Thank you to the Alabama State Bar for this recognition. It is with deep humility that I accept this award on behalf of all those unknown heroes and clients whose names never appear in print and whose faces never appear on television. Those are the persons who laid the foundations so that you may honor me here today. I pledge to you that I will keep fighting for equal justice under the law,” said Mr. Gray.

President Methvin also announced plans to break ground on the Fred David Gray Courtyard adjacent to the Alabama State Bar building on Dexter Avenue in downtown Montgomery. The courtyard will feature the Bar’s motto, “Lawyers Render Service,” which was inspired by Gray’s theme during his year as Alabama State Bar President in 2002–2003. That theme was later adopted by the Board of Bar Commissioners as the official motto of the organization. Construction on the courtyard is expected to begin in 2022.
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SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA WELCOMES
PUBLIC COMMENT TO RULE AMENDMENTS

On July 1, 2021, the Supreme Court of Alabama issued an Order welcoming public comments regarding revisions to Rules 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, and 7.6 of the Alabama Rules of Professional Conduct regarding attorney advertisement.

Comments can be submitted to the Court in three different ways: (1) by United States mail directed to Julia Jordan Weller, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Alabama, 300 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama 36104; (2) by e-mail to RulesComments@alappeals.gov; or (3) by using the online submission form accessible at http://judicial.alabama.gov/rules/rulescomments.

All comments must be received by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, July 30, 2021.

JONES SCHOOL OF LAW GRADUATES & STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS

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For more information, contact Bryan Morgan, Director of Career Development, at (334) 386-7905 or bmorgan@faulkner.edu.
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GILPIN | GIVHAN, P.C., WELCOMES JACKSON REAGAN

GILPIN | GIVHAN, P.C., is pleased to welcome Jackson Reagan as an associate in the firm’s Tax, Corporate & Securities, and Estate & Business Succession practice groups. In this role, he regularly counsels clients on a variety of tax matters including entity formation issues, merger and acquisition transactions, and strategies to identify the best course of action while considering a business’s specific needs. He is a graduate of New York University School of Law with an LL.M. in Taxation. He received his J.D. from Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law, his Master of Accountancy from Samford University, and his B.S.B.A. in Accountancy from Auburn University.

THE CLEVELAND FIRM, LLC, WELCOMES ALEX ALRED

THE CLEVELAND FIRM, LLC, of Counsel to Alexander Shunnarah, announces that Alex J. Alred joined the firm as an associate at the Montgomery office. He is a graduate of Auburn University where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Public Administration, and of Faulkner University’s Thomas Goode Jones School of Law. His practice is primarily focused on personal injury and general litigation matters.
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IN MEMORIAM

**Ron Davenport**

Ron Davenport passed away on May 23, 2021, at the age of 73. He was a graduate of Huntingdon College with a degree in History. He received his Juris Doctor from the University of Alabama Law School. Ron practiced law for over 40 years. He was a partner at Rushton, Stakely, Johnston and Garrett, where he devoted his career to insurance defense. Ron was active in many community activities and his church.

**Robert “Bob” Harris**

Robert “Bob” Herman Harris, age 74, passed away on May 24, 2021. He was a graduate of the Air Force Academy and a veteran of the Vietnam era serving his country as an F-4 Phantom fighter pilot. Bob was a graduate of Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the Law Review. He served as a law clerk to Alabama Supreme Court Chief Justice Howell Heflin. Afterward he joined the law firm of Capell, Howard, Knabe and Cobbs where he became a managing partner. After retiring from his law career, Bob served as a volunteer for many organizations including the Boy Scouts, the food bank, his church, and he ministered to youth inmates at Mt. Meigs.
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