



GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

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February Notes N' News

2022

Condolences

Our condolences to: the family, friends and colleagues of **Edward L. Parker** and **Howard Bueche** who recently passed away.

Genesee County Bar Foundation

Thanks to **Hon. Judith Fullerton** for making a donation to the Holiday Giving Project 2021. Her name was inadvertently left off previous acknowledgements.

Thanks to the **Anthony Tomaszewski; Howard Bueche; Barry Wolf; Glenn Simmington; LindaLee Massoud; Jakeway, Jakeway & Jakeway; Samuel Ragnone; Francine Cullari; Mike & Mary Ann Zengerle; Clifford & Alice Hart; Neal Hegarty; GCBA; Douglas & Brenda Dean; Hon. Geoffrey & Mrs. Constance Neithercut; Christine Lynch; John Stevens; Hon. Thomas Yeotis; William H. Piper Family from the Flint Community Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Flint; Jeremy and Amy Piper Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Flint;** and friends and colleagues of Dr. Lauren Piper at **Western Michigan Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine's Family Medicine Kalamazoo Residency Program** for making a donation in memory of Randolph P. Piper.

Thanks to **Samuel Ragnone** and **GCBA** for making a donation in memory of Edward L. Parker.

Thanks to **GCBA** for making a donation in memory of Howard J. Bueche.

Thanks to Geraldine D. Howell for making a donation in honor of Hon. Geoffrey L. Neithercut.

Donate to the Genesee County Bar Foundation by clicking [here](#).

Senior Attorneys

All Senior Attorney meetings are canceled until further notice. We will plan future meetings when we feel we can safely meet. If you have questions please feel free to contact Richard Ruhala at 810-733-5154.

Luncheon



Nomination Deadlines

March 9th: GCBA Board of Directors
March 18th: Herbert A. Milliken, Jr. Civility Award
March 18th: Brian M. Barkey Community Service
For a nomination form [click here](#).

Case Evaluation

Thank you to **Michael Rizik, Thomas Connolly, Robert Chimovitz, Michael Winterfield, Sean Siebigtheroth, Cristine Wasserman,** and **Ricky Carlson** for donating their Case Evaluation late fees, which are placed in a restricted building account.

Thank you

Thank you Genesee County Prosecutor David S. Leyton for sponsoring our February Membership Meeting. If you would like to sponsor a meeting, please contact our Executive Director, Tatilia "Tina" Burroughs at tyb@gcbalaw.org.



Genesee County Prosecutor
David Leyton

Bar Beat

Bar Beat has moved from a bimonthly magazine to a quarterly magazine reducing the number of publications from six to four a year. Our new publish dates will be mid-March, mid-June, mid-September, and mid-December. We're always looking for locally authored content! If you'd like to see your name in print, please contact barbeat@gcbalaw.org.

We Don't Know if You Don't Tell Us!

Please email gcbalaw@gcbalaw.org to notify us of any special achievement, birth announcement, significant anniversary, change of address, retirement, or death notice (immediate family only) so we may share the information with our members.



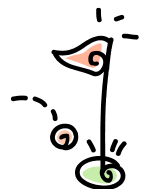
SAVE THE DATE

45th Annual Golf Scramble

Monday, June 13, 2022

Flint Golf Club

More details to come!





Neithercut Legal Education Fund

The Neithercut Fund of the Genesee County Bar Foundation is committed to the continuing legal education of our members who are either sole practitioners or members of law firms. This year the Foundation has increased the scholarship benefits for our members. The Board of the Foundation policy is to encourage seminar participation. Beginning December 1, 2020 and until further notice, the Neithercut Fund of the Genesee County Bar Foundation will now pay for 60% of the cost of tuition per attorney per year, not to exceed \$500 per Attorney per year, to any

- Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) Seminar of the State Bar of Michigan (SBM);
- American Bankruptcy Institute;
- Federal Bar Association Bankruptcy Section; and
- Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan.

This is not a need-based scholarship but a benefit available to every member whether they pay for their CLE or it is paid by their firm or partnership.

Details on the grant can be found [here](#). To take advantage of this opportunity please contact GCBA/GCBF Executive Director Tatilia "Tina" Burroughs at 810-232-6000 or by email at tyb@gcbalaw.org. This grant program can be discontinued at such time as the Foundation Board determines.

The Neithercut Legal Education Fund was founded with gifts from Edward J. Neithercut, long-time Flint lawyer.

John S. Beagle Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the John S. Beagle Scholarship established to assist students from Genesee County, Michigan with financial support while in their second or third level of law school. A minimum scholarship of \$5,000 will be awarded. The application deadline is May 1, 2022. Scholarship applications can be found [here](#).



The Michigan Supreme Court has announced the appointment of Judge Christopher R. Odette as the Chief Judge of the 67th District Court. The 67th District Court encompasses all of Genesee County and Includes 10 Judges.



Judge Odette has served as a Judge for 27 years and has served as either Chief Judge or Presiding Judge for over 12 years. He currently serves In the Grand Blanc Court. He is a graduate of Michigan State University and MSU Law School, Detroit College of Law.



Judge William Crawford, II will serve as Chief Judge Pro-Tem. Judge Crawford graduated from Flint Central High School. He then went to the Ohio State University where he obtained an undergraduate Bachelor of Arts degree and graduated from the Ohio State College of Law.

Upon passing the Michigan Bar, Judge Crawford helped to open the very first UAW Legal Service Plan Office in the Flint area and worked in private practice before going to work at the Flint City Attorney's Office where he eventually served as the Chief Legal Officer.

Judge Crawford was first appointed to the 68th District Court by the Governor of the State of Michigan and has stood for election or re-election 5 times.

Judge Jennifer Manley and Judge David Guinn will serve as Presiding Judges of the Court.



Judge Jennifer Manley currently serves in the Davison Court. She graduated from Goodrich High School, Michigan State University, William Tyndale College and WMU Thomas M Cooley Law School. She served as a trial lawyer for over a decade in the Genesee County Prosecutors' Office. She later entered private practice at the Manley Firm.

Judge Manley was elected to serve as a Genesee County District Judge in 2014 and has also served as Chief Judge Pro-Tem and represented the Court in numerous functions.



Judge David Guinn was appointed to the 67th District Court bench by Governor Snyder in May 2017. He was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney (APA) for 19 years before being appointed to the bench. As an APA, he was assigned to the Child Support Division, District Court Division, Family Court Division, Drug & Asset Forfeiture Division, Circuit Court Trial Division, and the Auto Theft Division.

After graduating from GVSU, Judge David Guinn moved to Ada, Ohio to attend law school at Ohio Northern University (ONU).



Meet the Judges Night

Hosted by the
Genesee County Bar Association
Bench & Bar Committee

Judges, Referees, and Magistrates from Federal, Circuit, and District Court have been invited. Join your colleagues, Judges and friends for this social event.

Thursday, February 17, 2022
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.
Brief Welcome Remarks from the Judges and
GCCBA President William H. Brickley

Blackstone's Smokehouse
531 S. Saginaw St.
Flint, MI 48502

Appetizers will be provided

Cash Bar

*GCBA members are **Free** to attend but will be encouraged to*
donate to the GCBA at the door
(suggested donation \$10-\$20)

Non-GCBA members will be charged \$30

This event is sponsored by a grant from the Genesee County Bar Foundation Piper Fund.



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Monthly Membership Meeting



featuring

Michael Goetz

Attorney Grievance Commission

February 28, 2022 • 12 noon

Flint Farmers' Market

Ramsdell Room

300 E. 1st St. • Flint, MI 48502

This meeting is sponsored by:



Genesee County Prosecutor

David Leyton

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: *Please print legibly*

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☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express Charge my credit card for \$ _____

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Last 3#'s on back of card: _____

Name as appears on card: _____

Billing address for card: _____

Registration Fees:

- ☐ Sustaining Member - Free
- ☐ GCBA Member - \$12
- ☐ Non-member - \$15
- ☐ Walk-ins - \$15
- ☐ Unpaid no-shows - \$15

Event Registration:

- ☐ February 28, 2022

Cancellation Policy:

No refunds for cancellations the day of the luncheon.

RSVP Deadline:

February 22nd

We will follow all CDC, MDHHS and GCHD guidelines.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' NOMINATION FORM

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

For the position of: (more than one can be chosen)

☐ Vice President (1 year term)

☐ Secretary (1 year term)

☐ Treasurer (1 year term)

☐ Director (3 year term) 4 positions

Please list the nominee's **current** GCBA, State Bar, ABA and specialty bar activities. Include all committee assignments, Law Day participation, financial contributions, Holiday Dinner activities, Foundation support, Board membership, and other related activities, including Specialty Bars. _____

Please list the nominee's **prior** activities as requested above. _____

Please list the nominee's **community** activities, including other boards. _____

Note: If you have not confirmed this nomination, do not submit nominee's name until approval is obtained.

☐ Yes. I have talked with this nominee who is agreeable to the submission of their name.

☐ Yes. This is a self-nomination.

Nominated by: _____

Telephone number: _____

Date: _____

All nominees will be considered by the Genesee County Bar Association Nominating Committee who will recommend a final slate to be elected at the Association's Annual Meeting.

***Send forms to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; fax# (810) 232-8310;
or email to tyb@gcbarlaw.org.***

THE DEADLINE TO RESPOND IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022, at 5:00 P.M.



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2022 HERBERT A. MILLIKEN, JR. CIVILITY AWARD NOMINATING FORM

Standard

The nominee is a long-time, practicing member of the Genesee County Bar Association who is recognized for the habit of offering professional guidance and advice to their fellow attorneys and being widely recognized as a professional role model who demonstrates the highest standards of professional courtesy and civility combined with a zealous and thorough advocacy on behalf of their clients.

For a list of past recipients please visit www.gcbalaw.org

Name of Nominee: _____

Please explain why this nominee should be awarded the 2021 Herbert A. Milliken, Jr. Civility Award:

Nominated by: _____

Telephone number: _____ Date: _____

All nominees will be considered by the Genesee County Bar Association Professional Practice Committee who will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors. The award recipient will be recognized at the Bar Association's Annual Meeting and Election of Officers.

The deadline to respond is Friday, March 18, 2022, by 5:00 p.m. Please send this form to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502 or send to our temporary fax (810) 355-2691.



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BRIAN M. BARKEY COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD 2022 NOMINATING FORM

The Brian M. Barkey Community Service Award recognizes a GCBA attorney member or affiliate member who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community service and provided volunteer services to charitable, religious, civic, community, governmental or educational organizations which have improved Genesee County.

Criteria Guidelines:

The recipient has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community service by volunteering in the following ways:

- Community service hours which show a length and degree of the recipient's service and dedication to community service.
- All services provided must be voluntary, uncompensated, and not compelled.
- The recipient should serve as a role model for compassion, service, and strive to make the Genesee County community a better place.
- The recipient's actions have made a lasting or meaningful contribution to the community.

Name of Nominee: _____

Please explain why this nominee should be awarded the Brian M. Barkey Community Service Award.

Please list agency, organization, board or other charitable organization where the nominee performed community service and dates.

Nominated by: _____

Telephone number: _____ Date: _____

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Monthly Membership Meeting

featuring



JoAnne Hathaway
State Bar of Michigan
Practice Resource Center
on Technology

March 21, 2022 • 12 noon
Flint Farmers' Market
Ramsdell Room
300 E. 1st St. • Flint, MI 48502

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Event Registration:

- ☐ March 21, 2022

Cancellation Policy:

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RSVP Deadline:

March 15th

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[Take Two!]

2020 Courthouse Composite

Every ten years since 1930, the Genesee County Bar Association creates a composite to hang in the courthouse. This year we have contracted with Centennial Image Photography to create the composite and offer professional head shot photos at the GCBA office. You may choose to either submit your own photo or have a new photo taken. You will be emailed a digital file of photo along with print release for future use. Photography appointments will be available:



April 26 & 27 and May 4 & 5

Choose One:

☐ I will contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6000 or use the link <https://tinyurl.com/2p8c3cye> to make an appointment before May 3 \$20

☐ I will email/mail a photograph before May 3 \$15
Email centennialimage@gmail.com or mail 7153 E. Potter Rd, Davison, MI 48423. You must provide proof of photo release from original photographer

Composite Purchase:

___ 16x20	(small)	___ @ \$40	= \$ ___
___ 20x24	(medium)	___ @ \$55	= \$ ___
___ 24x30	(large)	___ @ \$80	= \$ ___
___ 30x40	(xlarge)	___ @ \$105	= \$ ___

Total Purchase: \$ ___

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: Please print legibly

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Payment Type: Cash Check* Credit

Credit Card # _____ CVV _____ Zip Code _____

*Checks should be made payable to: Todd or Jessica Brown

MAIL order form with check to Todd or Jessica Brown, 7153 E. Potter Rd, Davison, MI 48423.
You may also email order form to centennialimage@gmail.com and an invoice will be emailed back which can be paid via credit card. Cash, check or credit can be accepted on day of photographs.



SOUTH END SOUP KITCHEN

GCBA VOLUNTEER DAY

Date:

Saturday, March 12, 2022

Saturday, April 9, 2022

Saturday, May 14, 2022

Time:

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

South End Soup Kitchen

3410 Fenton Rd #1566

Flint, MI 48507



Sponsored by the GCBA Community Action Committee



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If you are interested in volunteering at the South End Soup Kitchen please fill out the volunteer form and fax to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Volunteers please indicate your t-shirt size (circle):
(T-shirts will be distributed to volunteers if available.)

S M L XL XXL

Additional Volunteers:
(be sure to indicate t-shirt size):

Select date(s) you are willing to volunteer:

- ☐ Saturday, March 12, 2022
- ☐ Saturday, April 9, 2022
- ☐ Saturday, May 14, 2022

Questions? Contact
Genesee County Bar Association
810-232-6000
gcba@gcbalaw.org

Note: Three (3) volunteers are needed for each date. Please consider volunteering with the GCBA! We ask those in attendance to adhere to safety and social distancing protocols.