

March Notes N' News

2018

Welcome New Members

Welcome to our newest member, **Craig Datz**.

Case Evaluation Late Fee Donations

Thank you to **William Brickley, Ricky Carlson, Amy DeNise, and J. Dallas Winegarden** for donating their Case Evaluation late fees, which are placed in a restricted building account.

Barristers' Ball Sponsors

Thank you to the following sponsors of the Barristers Ball:

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The Law Offices of Mark J. Newman

Micki Hoffman, Former Supervisor Grand Blanc Twp.

State Senator Jim Ananich

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Gregory M. Meihn** who was selected as one of Michigan Lawyers Weekly "Leaders in the Law" Class of 2018.

The John S. Beagle Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the John S. Beagle Scholarship established by the Genesee County Bar Foundation 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 distributed. The application deadline is May 1, 2018. Scholarship information can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/Beagle-Scholarship>.

Calendar of Events

See attached flyers for more information

March

- **19th** - March Membership Meeting
- **21st** - Mastering Criminal Defense
- **22nd** - 2018 Probate Seminar
- **30th** - Good Friday, Courts and GCBA Closed



PRO BONO ATTORNEY OF THE MONTH

Rex Anderson

Rex Anderson P.C.
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Davison, MI 48423
(810) 653-3300
rex@rexandersonpc.net



Legal Services of Eastern Michigan (LSEM) and the Pro Bono Committee of the Genesee County Bar Association (GCBA) are pleased to honor Rex Anderson as the March 2018 Pro Bono Attorney of the Month.

Rex Anderson graduated from the University of Detroit Law School in 1991 and he has been a fierce consumer advocate ever since. He has focused his law practice on serious personal injury and consumer cases. His memberships include the Michigan Association for Justice (formerly Michigan Trial Lawyers), the Michigan Consumer Law Section, the National Association of Consumer Advocates and the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys. Rex has taught and written extensively on consumer protection laws that protect those who owe credit card, medical and student loan debts and/or have filed for bankruptcy.

Rex is a frequent volunteer attorney at LSEM's Legal Advice Clinics, where he provides free legal advice on consumer cases. He has taken numerous pro bono cases from LSEM for full representation and he often presents on the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. LSEM and the GCBA greatly appreciate his expertise in the consumer arena.

Pro Bono attorneys are always in demand. Attorneys interested in volunteering may contact Julie Nichols: 1-800-322-4512 ext. 115 or jnichols@lsem-mi.org.

GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

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; or fax to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310. THE DEADLINE TO RESPOND IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018, 5:00 P.M.

Monthly Membership Meetings

Presented by
Genesee County Bar Association



featuring

Shelley R. Spivack Arts in Detention - The Buckham/GVRC Share Art Project

March 19, 2018 • 12 noon
Masonic Temple • 755 S. Saginaw St. • Flint, MI 48502

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Registration Fees:

- ☐ Sustaining Member - Free
- ☐ GCBA Member - \$10
- ☐ Non-member - \$15
- ☐ Walk-ins - \$15
- ☐ Unpaid no-shows - \$15

Event Registration:

- ☐ March 19, 2018

Cancellation Policy:

No refunds for cancellations
the day of the luncheon.



Mail: 315 E. Court St. • Flint, MI 48502. Fax: to (810) 232-8310. On-line: register at www.gcbalaw.org.

Mastering Criminal Defense:

Eye Witness

Identification Issues

This group, presented by the GCBA Criminal Law Committee, will be held once a month and will provide information covering all aspects of criminal defense. This group is open to all attorneys who practice criminal defense.

Wednesday, March 21, 2018
12 noon - 1:30 p.m.
at
Genesee County Bar Association
315 E. Court St. • Flint, MI 48502

Limited seating! Register now!
Lunch provided!

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Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Please indicate dietary preference:

☐ Food allergy: _____

☐ Vegetarian



Mail: 315 E. Court St. • Flint, MI 48502. Fax: to (810) 232-8310. On-line: register at www.gcbalaw.org. Telephone reservations are not accepted.



2018 PROBATE SEMINAR

From the GCBA Probate Committee
Thursday, March 22, 2018 ♦ Riverfront Banquet Center

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 - 1:00 p.m. Riverfront Banquet Center

REGISTRATION FEE

- ☐ \$25 GCBA member (including Affiliate Members)
- ☐ \$50 Non-member (fee must accompany registration)
- ☐ \$15 Added for walk-ins (seating and material not guaranteed)

\$ _____ Total amount enclosed.

Fee includes: Materials and refreshments.

Genesee County Bar Association Members: The reduced rate for this seminar is brought to you by the Genesee County Bar Foundation Louis D. McGregor Continuing Legal Education Fund. For more information, or to join the GCBA, call (810) 232-6012.

Please RSVP by 3/8/2018

METHOD OF PAYMENT

☐ I have enclosed check # _____ payable to the GCBA.

Credit Card Payment: ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard
☐ American Express

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Name (as appears on credit card)

Mail registration form with check to the Genesee County Bar Association, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. **Fax** registration and credit card information to the GCBA at 810 232-8310. **Online** registration may be made at www.gcbalaw.org

Cancellations made within three days of the seminar will be assessed a \$10.00 handling fee. No refunds for cancellations the day of seminar or thereafter.

FACULTY AND TOPICS

8:30 a.m. Registration. Breakfast will be served.

9:00 a.m. Medicaid Basics and Forms

Sherri C. Frame, Sherri C. Frame PLLC

Brett Howell, Elder & Estate Planning Law Firm PLLC

9:45 a.m. Investment Fundamentals

Erin Sharer, CFP, Huntington Bank

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. To Trust or Not to Trust

Edward Henneke, Henneke, Fraim & Dawes PC

11:15 a.m. Bad Fiduciaries

Eric J. Mead, attorney

11:45 a.m. Estate Planning for Potentially Incompetent Clients

Barbara J. Hunyady, Cline, Cline & Griffin PC

12:15 p.m. Probate Court Issues

Sam Olson, Genesee County Probate Register

Veterans Court and Mental Health Court

Hon. Jennie E. Barkey, Genesee County Probate Judge

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

LOCATION



**Riverfront
Banquet Center**
1 Riverfront Center W.
Flint, MI 48502
(810) 768-2000

Conveniently located in the Riverfront Center Building in the heart of the beautifully revitalized Downtown Flint.

PARKING

Parking is available in the flat lot across the street or in the parking structure at the top of the ramp adjacent to the Banquet Center.



2018 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 2018 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 23, 2018, by 5:00 p.m. Please send this form to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502 or fax to (810)232-8310



**BRIAN M. BARKEY COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD
2018 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.

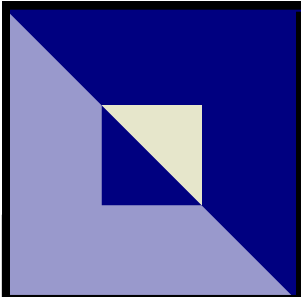
Please list agency, organization, board or other charitable organization where the nominee performed community service and dates.

Nominated by: _____

Telephone number: _____ Date: _____

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2018 Pro Bono Clinics - Attorney Volunteers Needed!

Please consider participating in the Pro Bono Clinics sponsored by **Legal Services of Eastern Michigan (LSEM)** and the **Genesee County Bar Association (GCBA) Pro Bono Committee**. This is your call to join your colleagues in supporting a vital service that only attorneys in our community can provide. Although we all receive countless requests from charitable organizations on behalf of many worthwhile causes, the contribution of your legal skills to the poor is something you are uniquely able to provide.

Volunteer attorneys may sign up via sign-up genius at the link below:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044baba62aa7f85-volunteer1>

The clinics run from **9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** at LSEM's office, 436 S. Saginaw St., Flint, MI 48502. LSEM pre-screens clients for eligibility. Coffee and snacks are provided for volunteer attorneys.

The 2018 Pro Bono Legal Aid Clinics will be held on the following dates: **January 26, February 23, March 23, April 20, May 11, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 21, October 19, November 16 and December 14.**

If you have any other questions or would like more information, please contact Julie Nichols at jnichols@lsem-mi.org or 1.800.322.4512 ext. 115. The sign-up genius link also can be found at www.lsem-mi.org and www.gcbalaw.org.



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CHAPTER 13 BANKRUPTCY SERIES

April 13, 2018
12:00 p.m.

Chapter 13 Trustee Updates
Speaker: Carl L. Bekofske

May 4, 2018
12:00 p.m.

Creditor Objections to Chapter 13
Speakers: Chadd O'Brien and
Karen Rowse-Oberle

June 19, 2018
12:00 p.m.

Judge's View
Speaker: Hon. Daniel S. Opperman

Customer Information: Please print legibly

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Location:

GCBA

Conference Room

Please indicate dietary preference:

☐ Food allergy: _____

☐ Vegetarian

Dates registering for:

March 2, 2018 _____

April 13, 2018 _____

May 4, 2018 _____

June 19, 2018 _____



Thanks to the generosity of the Genesee County Bar Foundation,

♦ Mail: 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502 ♦ Fax: (810) 232-8310 ♦

♦ Register Online: www.gcbalaw.org ♦

Young Lawyers Lunch N' Learn

Open to attorneys with five or fewer years of practice, or those under the age of 35.



How to Get Elected Judge

featuring

Hon. Geoffrey L. Neithercut

Thursday, April 19, 2018
12 noon

Genesee County Bar Association, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI

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Payment Information: Checks payable to the GCBA

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Reservations are absolutely required!

Registration Fees: (per event)

- ☐ GCBA Member - \$5
- ☐ Non-member - \$10
- ☐ Unpaid no-shows - \$10

Event Registration:

- ☐ April 19th

Please indicate dietary preference:

- ☐ Food allergy: _____
- ☐ Vegetarian

Thanks to the GCBF MacGregor Fund
for underwriting some of the costs
related to the luncheon.



Mail: 315 E. Court St. • Flint, MI 48502. Fax: to (810) 232-8310. On-line: register at www.gcbalaw.org.
Telephone reservations are not accepted.

2018 Law Day Luncheon & Awards Ceremony



Awards Bestowed:

Crime Victim's Advocate of the Year:
TBD

Liberty Bell Award:
TBD

Golden Apple Award:
TBD

Friday, April 27, 2018

Masonic Temple, 755 S. Saginaw St., Flint
11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. (registration at 11:00 a.m.)

Luncheon Menu

Chicken breast, twice-baked potato, vegetable blend, salad, rolls and butter, punch, milk, iced tea, coffee, dessert.

Lunch tickets \$15.00 each x # _____ \$ _____
Donation to sponsor a student _____ \$ _____
Total _____ \$ _____

Donations are needed to sponsor student meals for the Law Day Luncheon. A modest gift of \$15.00 would be appreciated.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name (s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Registration Deadline: April 13, 2018

Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or e-mail the GCBA at tyb@gcbalaw.org.

For additional information or special dietary needs, contact the Genesee County Bar Association at (810) 232-6012.

Online: Register at www.gcbalaw.org

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Online: Register at www.gcbalaw.org

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check # _____

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Genesee County Bar Foundation ~ Law Day Sponsor



Law Day Volunteer Opportunities

Law Day Luncheon
Friday, April 27, 2018
More details to come

Name _____
Please Print

Phone# _____

Law Day Lunch Donations \$_____ Amount Enclosed.
Donations are needed to sponsor student meals for the Law Day Luncheon. A modest gift of \$15.00 or more would very much be appreciated and will cover the cost of sponsoring student Law Day activities. We expect 150 students for the Law Day Luncheon.

Law Day Luncheon

Assist with decorations, registration and publicity on
April 26, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Masonic Temple.

Law Day Luncheon Hostess (minimum of 6 needed)

Assist with seating guests at luncheon and escorting
mock trial jurors to court.

Mock Trial Attorney Advisor

Assist high school students with mock trial preparations.



SAVE THE DATE!



*Centennial
 Gala*

Looking back, moving forward
April 27, 2018 | Colony Club | Detroit

Save the Date

Annual

Amy K. Harris
Criminal Law Seminar

Thursday, May 10th & Friday, May 11th 2018

**Sponsored by the
Criminal Law Committee
of the**





CENTER FOR HOPE SOUP KITCHEN

GCBA VOLUNTEER DAY

Date:

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Time:

9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

Meet in the GCBA parking lot at 9 a.m. for coffee and we will carpool to the soup kitchen.



If you are interested in volunteering at the Center for Hope Soup Kitchen (located in St. Michaels) 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 upon arrival.)

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

Questions? Contact
Jessica J. Hammon,
Vice President &
Community Action Committee Chair
810-234-0818
jessicahammonlaw@gmail.com

Sponsored by the GCBA Community Action Committee



Lawyer Referral & Information Service

Your next client could be a LRIS Referral



- Want to build your practice?
- Want to find new clients in your concentration?
 - Want to develop a new practice area?

Join the Genesee County Bar Association Lawyer Referral and Information Service. As a member of the GCBA LRIS, the GCBA LRIS staff screens potential clients in order to match them to the areas of law that you indicate as fitting within your practice.

For information on joining the Lawyer Referral and Information Service contact



2018 Genesee County Bar Association 40th Annual Golf Scramble



Monday, June 18, 2018 • 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
Flint Golf Club

3100 Lakewood Dr., Flint, MI • (810) 743-6100

Schedule

- 11:00 a.m. Registration
Complimentary Driving Range
- 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
- Buffet Dinner immediately following scramble

Prizes

- 1st Place, 2nd Place
- Hole-in-1
- 50/50 Raffle
- Longest Drive male & female
- Closest to the Pin male & female

Games (additional Cost):

- 50/50 Raffle
- Prize Raffle
- Deck of Cards

\$125 Price Includes

- Driving Range • Golf & Cart • Continental Breakfast • Hot Dogs on the turn • Buffet Dinner

Register Early! If payment is received by April 1st you only pay \$112.50!

Golf fees are not waived for members. Dress Code: Shirts with collars; no metal spikes, tank tops, gym shorts, cutoffs or blue jeans.

The GCBA is partnering with Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. Bring a non-perishable food item to donate. Cash donations also accepted!



TEAM (4 person scramble) **Team captain's email:** _____

Name _____

Name _____

(Captain)

Name _____

Name _____

Telephone Number: _____

Individual golfers will be assigned to a team.

GOLF FEE

\$112.50 p/golfer x _____ = \$ _____

☐ Payment received by April 1st

I cannot attend but would like

\$125 p/golfer x _____ = \$ _____

☐ Payment received after April 1st

to make a donation of \$ _____

BUFFET ONLY

☐ \$25 for buffet only x _____ = \$ _____

ADVERTISEMENT AND DONOR OPPORTUNITY (May 22nd: deadline for flag and sign advertisements)

\$125 tee/green sign x _____ = \$ _____

\$175 embroidered flag x _____ = \$ _____

PAYMENT

Enclosed is a check made payable to the GCBA in the amount of \$ _____

Credit Card Payment: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ Charge my credit card for \$ _____

Account#: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Name on card: _____ Last 3#'s on back of card: _____

Billing Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or register on-line at www.gcbalaw.org. For more information contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6012. Early registration payment due by April 1, 2017. No refunds for cancellations made within five days of the scramble or thereafter.

Register by May 27, 2018 • Please support your local Bar Association



2018 GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION 40th ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

Monday, June 18, 2018 - Flint Golf Club



FLAG & TEE/GREEN ADVERTISING FORM

- ☐ **YES!** I will sponsor _____ embroidered personalized tee flag(s) for \$175 each, as a souvenir of the Scramble.
Only 18 will be sold! Hole choice: _____ (first come, first served)

Name you wish to appear on the flag (you may use two lines):

- ☐ **YES!** I will sponsor _____ personalized tee/green sign(s) for \$125 each.
Tee/Green hole choice: _____ (first come, first served)

Name you wish to appear on the tee/green (you may use two lines):

- ☐ **I will donate** _____ **as a door prize for your scramble. The value is \$**_____.
- ☐ **Please contact me about donating door or golf prizes.**
- ☐ **Please contact me about playing in the scramble.**

Contact Person _____ Telephone Number _____

Name of Business _____

Address _____

PAYMENT

Make checks payable to the Genesee County Bar Association, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. For credit card payment, which can be faxed to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310, please complete the following:

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express Expiration date _____ Last 3#'s on back of card _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Billing Address: _____

Account # _____ Signature: _____

Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or e-mail the GCBA at tyb@gcbalaw.org.

DEADLINE: MAY 27th