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May Notes N' News

2007

Election of Officers & Awards Ceremony

The GCBA Election of Officers and Awards Ceremony is Monday, May 21, 2007, Masonic Temple, downtown Flint, 12 noon; The lunch is FREE for members of the GCBA and their guest, compliments of the Genesee County Bar Foundation, BUT reservations are required. The slate of Officers and Directors are: President Kurtis L.V. Brown; Vice President David S. Leyton; Treasurer Timothy H. Knecht; Secretary Karen L. Folks; and Directors Shayla Blankenship, Orene Bryant, Ridley S. Nimmo II, and Jeremy R.M. Piper. Awards will be bestowed upon the Distinguished Case Evaluator of the Year TBA; the 2007 Herbert Milliken, Jr. Civility Award TBA; Pro Bono Attorney of the Year James C. Dillard; and 2007 Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award Gregory T. Gibbs; 2006 Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award Robert L. Segar. The Genesee County Bar Foundation **Annual Meeting will follow immediately.**

Attorney Update

Effective June 1st **Jack Tubbs** of Flint Patent Service will become a Patent Analyst for Landon IP, Inc., in Southfield, MI.. Jack would like to thank the GCBA for its support during the past four years.

Congratulations

Francine Cullari has received her MBA from University of Michigan – Flint and has been inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma, the national honor society for business graduates. She continues her full-time practice and teaches Business Law at the University of Michigan.

Case Evaluation Late Fee Donors

Thanks to **Charles McKone** and **Robert Chimovitz** for donating their Circuit Court Case Evaluation late fees. Donations are placed in a restricted account for long term maintenance of the building.

Condolences

. . . to **Richard Hamilton** on the death of his mother, Elinor Beatrice Hamilton, who passed on April 16, 2007.

Yeotis Lifetime Achievement Tribute

On Tuesday, May 15, 2007, the Honorable Thomas C. Yeotis will be honored with a Lifetime Achievement Tribute hosted by the Centennial American Inns of Court on behalf of the Genesee County Bar Foundation at the Flint Golf Club. Congratulations Judge Yeotis!

Thanks

MacDonald, Edward Henneke, The Williams Firm and Julia Black for contributing to the Annual Meeting. Thanks to the generosity of the Genesee County Bar Foundation for graciously agreeing to pay for the annual meeting.

... to **Richard Barron** for donating two tickets to the Genesee County Bar Foundation for the Flint Symphony Orchestra with a request that a contribution be made to the Genesee County Bar Foundation. **Michael and Alice Edmunds** purchased the tickets and made a generous donation to the Foundation.

... to **Judge Allen Nelson** for making a donation to the Genesee County Bar Foundation in memory of Michael B. Rizik Sr.

Gadola's Motion Day Schedule Change

Effective Monday, June 4, 2007, all of Judge John A. Gadola's afternoon motions will be scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Judge Gadola will no longer use the staggered time schedule of 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30. Judge Gadola's morning motion call schedule will remain as is. This change is being made to alleviate the necessity of Judge Gadola's motion call going any later than 5:00 p.m. Motions not heard due to scheduling conflict of counsel will automatically be adjourned to the next available motion day. Notification will be made to interested parties of the time change in any motions that are currently scheduled on Monday, June 4, 2007, as well as motions currently scheduled on any Monday after that. We appreciate your assistance in making this transition as smooth as possible.

Attorney Window at 68th District Court

The attorney window will require carbons w/ paperwork filed as they oftentimes have multiple filings which are time consuming. Signs will go up designating the attorney's window.

Listserv

One of the outcomes of the Board of Directors strategic planning efforts was the creation of a member only e-mail listsery. We are pleased to announce this listsery is now available. Below is an invitation to join a general discussion listsery that is available to all GCBA members. You can subscribe any time at http://lists.gcbalaw.org

Notes N' News by Email

More than 100 members have signed up to receive Notes N' News by email. Sign up at www.gcbalaw.org to add your name to the list.

Law Day Donations

Thanks to the following contributors for sponsoring student Law Day lunches: Nancy Abraham; Ira Bare; Hon. Duncan Beagle; Carl Bekofske; Sherri Belknap; Carolyn Boegner; Tim Bograkos; George Brueck; Orene Bryant; Howard Bueche; Clay Carter; Ward Chapman; Sharon Chapel; Darryl Chimko; Christenson & Fiederlein, P.C.; Dolores Coulter; Dawn Crichton; Carol Fallis; Karen Folks; John Folts; Hon. Paul Gadola; Ron Haldy; Arthur Hurand; Daniel Jaworski; Michael Kelly; Mary Lazar; David Leyton; John Lukes; Robert MacDonald; LindaLee Massoud; Fred Meiers; Barbara Menear; Tracey Merithew; Jill Nylander; Gilbert Rubenstein; Richard Ruhala; Hon. Larry Stecco; Tess Sullivan; Lynne Taft; Michael Tesner; and Anthony Tomaszewski. Thanks also to Lynne Taft and her husband Jim Draper and H. William & MaryAnn Reising for sponsoring the theatrical production of "To Kill A Mockingbird."

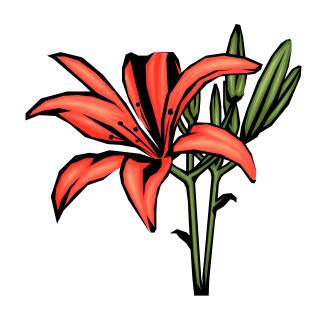
Calendar of Events

May

- 10 GCBA Senior Attorneys meeting; 12 noon; Valley Coney Island; no RSVP needed.
- 15 Lifetime Tribute honoring Hon. Thomas C. Yeotis, 4:30 7:00 p.m. at the Flint Golf Club.
- Bankruptcy Seminar for the Non-Bankruptcy Practitioner; 12 noon; Masonic Temple, downtown Flint. See enclosed flyer for additional information.
- 21 Monthly Membership Meeting featuring the Election of Officers & Directors, and Awards Ceremony; 12 noon; Masonic Temple, downtown Flint. See enclosed flyer for additional information.
- 28 Courts and GCBA closed.
- 30 GCBA 5K Run/Walk Committee meeting; 12:15 p.m.; Milliken Mediation Room.
- Cocktail Reception for Incoming President Kurtis L.V. Brown; 5 p.m.; Big Easy Restaurant.

June

- 4 Golf Outing
- 15 5K Road Race





Bankruptcy Seminar for the Non-Bankruptcy Practitioner

Wednesday, May 16, 2007 ≠ Masonic Temple
Registration and Lunch 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. ≠ Seminar 12:30 - 4 p.m.

□ \$20 GCBA Members (lunch/materials included)
□ \$40 for Non-GCBA Members (lunch/materials included)

SPEAKERS

JUDGE DANIEL OPPERMAN, U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge for Flint and Bay City

CARL L. BEKOFSKE, Standing Chapter 13 Trustee

LAURA BRECKENRIDGE, Chapter 13 Practitioner

MICHAEL MASON, Chapter 7 Trustee

ERWIN F. MEIERS, Bankruptcy Practitioner

REX ANDERSON, Bankruptcy Practitioner BARBARA FOLEY, Staff Attorney to Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Trustee

TOPICS

THE COURT'S VIEW, BANKRUPTCY OVERVIEW FOR THE NON - BANKRUPTCY PRACTITIONER

CHAPTER 7 ISSUES FOR THE NON - BANKRUPTCY PRACTITIONER

Who is a good Chapter 7 candidate Exemption issues (what the debtor can keep when filing)

Top reasons for filing "How not to run afoul of Judge Opperman"

CHAPTER 13 ISSUES FOR THE NON - BANKRUPTCY PRACTITIONER

Who is a good chapter 13 candidate What chapter 13 can do for the debtor

Top reasons to file chapter 13 DSOs and payment of DSOs in the ongoing chapter 13 case

Discharge of Domestic Support Obligations (DSOs) in the chapter 13 case, under what circumstances

DOMESTIC RELATIONS ISSUES IN CHAPTER 7 AND CHAPTER 13

What is a DSO How is the DSO provided for in the Bankruptcy Code?

To what does the Automatic Stay apply? How to avoid the Automatic Stay when necessary

EXCEPTIONS TO THE AUTOMATIC STAY - OTHER THAN FOR DOMESTIC MATTERS

Landlord Tenant issues Other 362 stay issues

COMMON CONSUMER LAW CAUSES OF ACTION

Fair Debt Collection Practices Act violations Adversarial proceedings in bankruptcy cases

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AND CONCLUDING REMARKS

REGISTRATION Name:	An early RSVP is appreci	ated. No refunds afte	er 5-10-07. Walk-ins will be charged an additional \$10.
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Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court Accepted!	St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to 232-8310; or em	ail us at rls@gcbalaw.org. M	ake checks payable to the GCBA. Telephone Reservations Are Not

May Membership Meeting featuring Election of Officers & Awards Ceremony

Masonic Temple, downtown Flint → May 21, 2007 → 12 Noon

→ Election of Officers & Board of Directors:

Address

President Kurtis L.V. Brown	2007-2008	Vice President David S. Leyton	n 2007-2008
Treasurer Timothy H. Knecht	2007-2008	Secretary Karen L. Folks	2007-2008
Director Shayla Blankenship	2007-2010	Director Orene Bryant	2007-2010
Director Ridley S. Nimmo, II	2007-2010	Director Jeremy R.M. Piper	2007-2010

- ◆ 2007 Herbert Milliken Jr., Civility of the Year Award: Richmond M. Riggs
- ◆ 2007 Distinguished Case Evaluator of the Year: Walter P. Griffin
- ◆ 2007 Legal Services of Eastern Michigan Pro Bono Attorney of the Year: James C. Dillard
- ◆ 2007 Centennial American Inns of Court Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award: Gregory T. Gibbs
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Genesee County Bar Foundation Annual Meeting to Follow Immediately

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Name(s)

Phone _____

Fax your reservation to (810) 232-8310 or email your reservation to gcbalaw.org.

NOTE: As a courtesy, please contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6012 if you need to cancel your reservation so that money is not unnecessarily spent on the cost of your luncheon.

GCBA 5K Run for the BAR





Genesee County Bar Association 3rd Annual Run & Walk → All Are Welcome!

START TIME

5K run starts at 6:00 p.m. 5K walk starts at 6:02 p.m.

REGISTRATION

Send or drop off entries to 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to 810-232-8310 (with credit card information); or register on our secure website at www.gcbalaw.org. After June 8th entrants must pay late entry fees.

CHECK-IN

Same day registration and packet pick-up beginning at 4:30 p.m., Memorial Park on 5th Street, between Church and Grand Traverse.

Events start at MEMORIAL PARK on 5th Street, between Church and Grand Traverse, Flint. Bicycles, skateboards, roller blades and dogs are prohibited.

FACILITIES

No restrooms will be available during the race. Restrooms will be available before and after the race at the check-in area.

REFRESHMENTS & FOOD

Water will be supplied during the race and food and beverage will be available at the finish line for all participants.

FREE PARKING: See reverse side for parking.

ENTRY FEE

Before June 8th: \$21 with a t-shirt, \$14 w/o a t-shirt. After June 8th \$25 with a t-shirt, \$18 w/o a t-shirt. XXL shirts add \$2. T-shirts cannot be guaranteed for race day registrants. Cash only for race day registrants. Price includes food and beverage at the Post-Race Picnic in Memorial Park. Food and beverage for guests \$5.

AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded for the top finishers in each age division, run and walk. Additional prizes will be awarded for the Last Lawyer in Line and Best Briefs. Please arrange to have your prize picked up after the race. Prizes will not be mailed.

AGE DIVISIONS

Men & Women: Best Overall, Masters, 1-15, 16-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-over. **RESULTS**

Results will be scored by G.R.M.with the ChampionChip. Chips must be worn to be scored. Results will be posted on race day and at www.gcbalaw.org and www.gaultracemanagement.com.

MORE INFORMATION

Contact the GCBA at 810.232.6012, email rls@gcbalaw.org, visit www.gcbalaw.org for race route, parking and more.

CANCELLATIONS: ENTRY FEES NON-REFUNDABLE.

GCBA 5K Run for the BAR	FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2007 (May be photocopied			
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WAIVER. In consideration of acceptance of my entry, I, myself, my executors, administrators, do hereby release and discharge the Genesee County Bar Association, Genesee County Bar Foundation, their members, the City of Flint, all sponsors volunteers, supporters and spectators of the TGIF 5K for all claims of damages, injuries, demands, actions whatsoever in any manner arising from my participation in said event. Ihave been warned I must be in good health to participate in this event. Further, I hereby grant full permission to use my name and photograph for purposes of publicity and promotion, without payment of consideration. In filling out this form, I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event, understand my own liability, and do accept the restrictions.	Name			
SIGNATURE (Parent if under 18) Note: Waiver must be signed in order to process registration.	EMAIL ADDRESS			

GCBA 5K Run for the BAR



Volunteer Opportunities

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		Picnic	2:30 p.m 6:00 p.m		(10	volunte	ers need	ed)		
		Office volunteers & finish line	3:30 p.m 7:30 p.m		(10	volunte	ers need	ed)		
		Course volunteers	5:15 p.m 7:30 p.m		$(20 \cdot$	volunte	ers need	ed)		
		Clean-up	6:30 p.m - 8:00 p.m.		(10 volunteers needed)					
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Schedule: 11:00 a.m.

12:00 noon

1:00 p.m.

6:15 p.m.

Registration and Driving Range Open

Shotgun Start

Steak Dinner

Hot Dogs, Burgers, Brats, Chicken, Chips, Pop

2007 Genesee County Bar Association Annual Golf Outing



♦ Hole-in-1

♦ 50/50 Raffle

◆ Door prizes for all

Join Your Friends, Colleagues and Members of the Legal Community at the

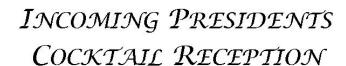
FLUSHING VALLEY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB → MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2007

◆1st Place, 2nd Place

◆ Closest to the Pin male & female

◆ Longest Drive male & female

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Kurtís L.V. Brown

Wednesday, May 30, 2007 ♦ 5 p.m.

Big Easy Grill and Oyster Bar (formally Bubba's) G-5311 Corunna Rd. Flint, MI 48532

Complimentary hors d'oeuvres Cash Bar

To RSVP contact:

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