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September Notes N' News

2023

Carl L. Bekofske Retirement Celebration

On October 5, 2023, the GCBA will celebrate the retirement of Carl L. Bekofske. We hope you will be able to attend. Register to attend <http://www.gcbalaw.org/events.cfm>. Additionally, we are putting together a collage of pictures of Carl in a PowerPoint. If you have pictures of Carl throughout the years that should be included please email them to gcba@gcbalaw.org by Friday, September 15, 2023.

Condolences

Our condolences to the family, friends, and colleagues of **Roberta "Bobbi" J.F. Wray**, who passed away on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, at the age of 83.

Genesee County Bar Foundation

Thanks to **Barbara A. Menear, Gregory Gibbs, LindaLee Massoud, and Carl L. Bekofske** for making a donation to the Foundation Law Day Fund in memory of Roberta "Bobbi" Wray.

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

Address Change

Tom Connolly has relocated to PO Box 6958, Saginaw, MI 48608. Phone: 810-733-0140.

Have you recently moved? Changed your address? Be sure to update your information with the GCBA. Complete the [address change form](#) and fax to 810-232-8310 or email to tyb@gcbalaw.org.

Grand Blanc Living Magazine

Grand Blanc Living, a local magazine for Grand Blanc residents, has given the GCBA space for an article monthly at no charge. We are in need of volunteers to contribute articles for Grand Blanc Living Magazine. This is a positive and free way to promote the Association as well as our members. Articles can be on any subject except for Estate Planning and Business Law (a local attorney has the exclusive ability to write on those two subjects.) Length: 500 words max. If you are interested please email me at tyb@gcbalaw.org for more details.

Bar Beat Series

Are you a first generation attorney? We would love to hear from you. Bar Beat already did a series on multi-generational attorney families, so now we are going the opposite direction. Please complete this form with information about yourself. We will follow up to get additional details as needed. These entries will appear in the next several Bar Beat issues, as space allows. Thank you for participating. [Survey link](#)
Or paste into your browser:
<https://forms.gle/YDTXmztjTvqZMt3J9>

Family Law Committee

The next Family Law Committee meeting is October 3rd at 12 noon on the 2nd floor of the 67th DC. It is a roundtable with Tony McDowell, Dr. Jennifer Flack, Judge Hanible, Judge Weier, and Judge Heath focused on what to do with children who do not want to attend parenting time. Lunch will not be provided, and registration is not required. If there are any questions, email attorneywilling@gmail.com.

Emails

Missing Emails from the GCBA? Check your spam/junk folder. Add us to your "safe sender" list to continue receiving emails from the GCBA. Please add: tyb@gcbalaw.org; sje@gcbalaw.org; and gcba@gcbalaw.org. We want to keep you informed. The GCBA uses Constant Contact for our ENews, Notes N' News, and Job Post. Have your IT safelist Constant Contact domains and IP address in ISP to prevent any known deliverability issues.



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;
- Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan; and
- Michigan Defense Trial Counsel.

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.



**FIGHT FOR THE THINGS THAT
YOU CARE ABOUT, BUT DO IT
IN A WAY THAT WILL LEAD
OTHERS TO JOIN YOU.**

– RUTH BADER GINSBURG



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Mark Your Calendar

2023-2024 Monthly Membership Meetings

September 18, 2023 • October 16, 2023
November 20, 2023 • January 22, 2024
February 26, 2024 • March 18, 2024
April 15, 2024

Annual Meeting & Elections of Officers
May 20, 2024



Ramsdell Room
300 E 1st St. • Flint, MI 48502

Luncheon **FREE** to Sustaining Members;
\$15 members; **\$20** non-members; **\$20** walk-ins.
Unpaid no-shows will be billed **\$20**.



BECOME A SPONSOR

Grow your business with us!

Sponsor a monthly Membership Meeting

Benefits of sponsorship:

- 6 ft. table at luncheon
- Introduction at luncheon
- Complimentary registration for two attendees
- Corporate logo on registration materials

Cost: \$350



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Tatilia "Tina" Burroughs, Executive Director
810-232-6000 ext. 101 or tyb@gcbalaw.org



Monthly Membership Meeting



Topic:

Update on Prosecuting Attorney's Office

Speaker:

Prosecutor David Leyton

September 18, 2023 • 12 noon
Flint Farmers' Market
Ramsdell Room
300 E. 1st St. • Flint, MI 48502

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RSVP Deadline:
September 12th

Registration Fees:

- ☐ Sustaining Member - Free
- ☐ GCBA Member - \$15
- ☐ Non-member - \$20
- ☐ Walk-ins - \$20
- ☐ Unpaid no-shows - \$20

Event Registration:

- ☐ September 18, 2023

Cancellation Policy:

No refunds for cancellations the day of the luncheon.



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Telephone reservations are not accepted.

Howard Group Investments



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Amenities:

- ✓ Rent includes all utilities
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Additional Amenities:

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SCAN FOR APPLICATION



720 Church St. Flint, MI 48502



Raise a Glass!
In
Celebration of the
Retirement of
Carl L. Bekofske

October 5, 2023

5:30 p.m.

Flint Golf Club

3100 Lakewood Drive

Flint, MI 48507

Tickets: \$50 per guest

Social Hour / Dinner: 5:30 p.m.

Program: 6:00 p.m.

Cash Bar Available

Purchase your tickets at:

www.gcbalaw.org

Please RSVP by September 21, 2023

Presented by: GCBA Bankruptcy & Probate Committees



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Celebration of the Retirement of Carl L. Bekofske

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Ticket Reservation Form

\$50 per person

Name(s) Please print legibly

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

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Carl L. Bekofske Retirement Celebration

On October 5, 2023, the Genesee County Bar Association will celebrate the retirement of Carl L. Bekofske. Carl's contribution to Genesee County both Bankruptcy and Probate. We invite you to participate in a commemorative program booklet to honor his legal achievements.

\$500.00 Platinum Sponsorship

- 2 tickets to the event, name on sponsor board, digital advertisement in PowerPoint, recognition in the Bar Beat and the Notes N' News. Email advertisement content in jpeg or pdf format to gcba@gcbalaw.org.

\$300.00 Gold Sponsorship

- 1 ticket to the event, name on sponsor board, recognition in PowerPoint, recognition in the Bar Beat and the Notes N' News.

\$200.00 Silver Sponsorship

- Name on sponsor board, recognition in PowerPoint, recognition in the Bar Beat and the Notes N' News.

\$100.00 Bronze Sponsorship

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YOUR SPONSORSHIP IS NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

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Any questions please contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6000

Forms may be faxed to (810) 232-8310

Mailed to 315 E. Court St., Flint MI 48502

Looking for New Clients?

Here's the Affordable Answer!

GeneseeLegal.Com

The newest most comprehensive way to promote legal services in Genesee County! GeneseeLegal.com is an online directory of local legal services available to the members of the *Genesee County Bar Association*. Different from any other legal directory, GeneseeLegal.com is consistently promoted in the market to build site awareness and generate results!

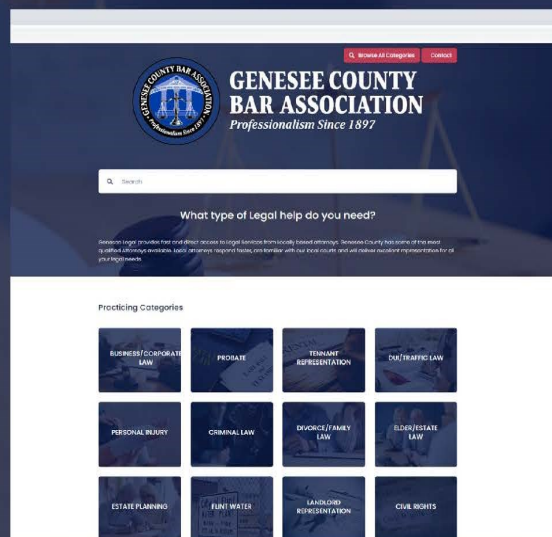
Subscribers will have an opportunity to promote their legal services with company information, images and direct links to their office. Make your services more findable! On the web. Enhance your own websites ranking. Become part of a cooperative advertising platform and most importantly, generate new clients!

Program Results:

As of August, 2023

Website Visits	30,400+
Client Website Clickthroughs	3,840
Direct Consultation Requests	153
Site Google Rank	#1-2
Multiple Categories of Law	

Results based on Just 9 months since launch!



Program Benefits:

- Makes You Findable, Easy to Contact
- Lead Generation Direct to You
- Enhance Your Individual Website SEO
- Exponential Advertising Power
- Association with Established Group
- Quarterly Reporting and Accountability

For more information or to Join the Program, Please contact Preston Hards at (810) 654-0202 or Preston@crcminc.com



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Monthly Membership Meeting



Topic:

Rule 21

Law Practice Succession Planning

Speaker:

***April Alleman,
Succession Planning Counsel
State Bar of Michigan***

**October 16 2023 • 12 noon
Flint Farmers' Market
Ramsdell Room
300 E. 1st St. • Flint, MI 48502**

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October 11th**

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Tatilia Y. Burroughs

GCBA Conference Room Rental Rates



Member Rate

The conference room available free of charge to all GCBA members. Approval necessary for room rental prior to 9:00 a.m. or after 5:00 p.m., with at least two weeks prior notification. In the absence of prior arrangements being approved, the following charges will be assessed for conference room usage outside of the GCBA's normal business hours.

- Prior to 9 a.m.: \$25 dollars for every 1/2 hour increment
- After 5 p.m.: \$25 dollars for every 1/2 hour increment

Non-Member Rate

The conference room is available to non-members at the following rates:

- \$100 dollars for a half day rental (4 hours or less)
- \$200 dollars for a full day rental (anything over 4 hours)

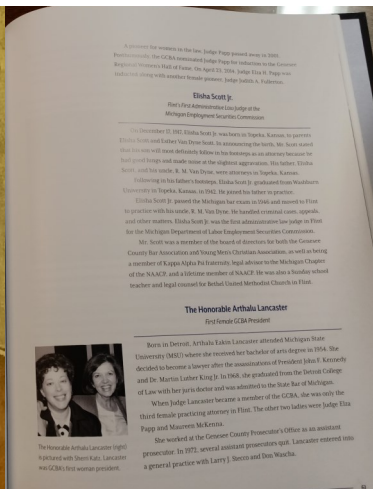
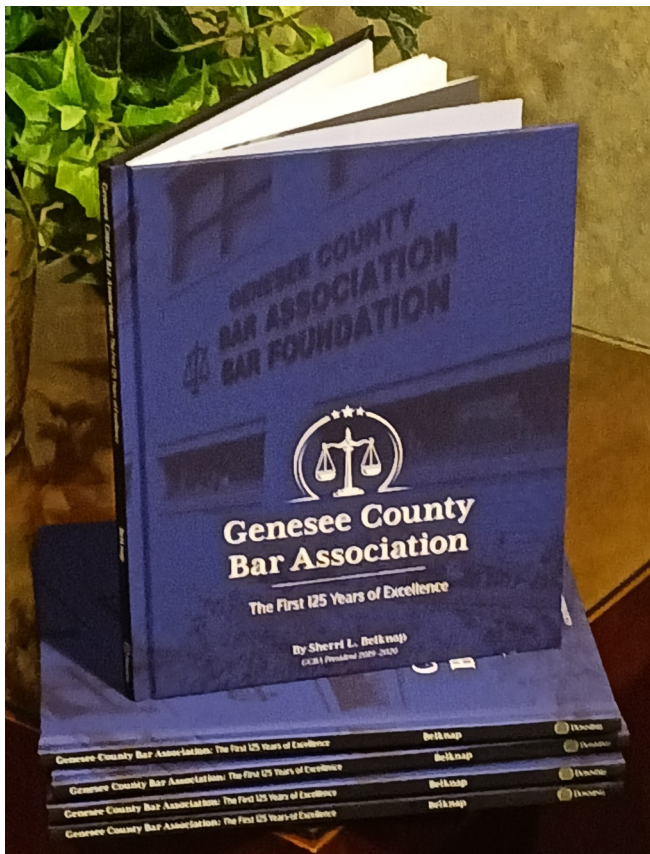
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Amenities Include:

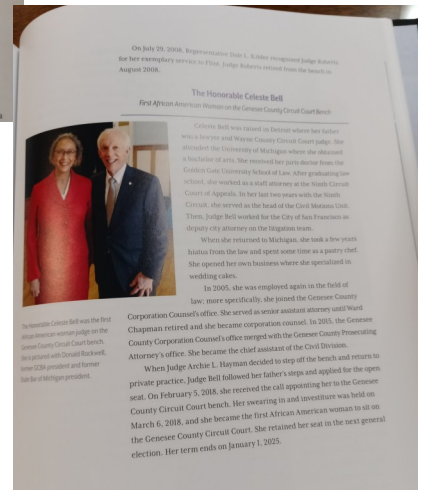
- Television
- DVD Player
- Computer/Internet Access
- WI-FI
- Dry Erase Board & Markers
- Complementary coffee, tea, and water.

For more information or to rent the conference room please contact the Genesee County Bar Association at (810) 232-6000. Thank you.



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THE FIRST 125 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE



On November 18 and 19, 1897, the Honorable George H. Durand and 64 other attorneys met to form the Genesee County Bar Association “to promote social intercourse among the members of the profession and to advance the best interests of the commonwealth by improving the administration of justice.” This year, the Genesee County Bar Association celebrates 125 years. This book examines the events that shaped the association, the trailblazers, the awards, and the affiliations that helped it grow.

Price \$65.00

Genesee County Bar Association “Celebrating the First 125 Years of Excellence”

_____ I want to purchase a book. _____ # of books

_____ I will pick up at the next Monthly Meeting. _____ I will pick up at GCBA Office.

_____ Please ship the book. \$15 shipping and handling fee.

Payment Methods (Please circle one)

Cash

Check

Visa

Mastercard

AmEx

Name on card: _____

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