

### Dues

Dues statements have been mailed. Please return the statement with remittance.

### Condolences

- ♦ to the family, friends and colleagues of **M. Harry Piper** who passed away on September 5, 2011.

### Genesee County Bar Foundation—Thank You

- ♦ to **Orene Bryant** for making a donation in memory of Elizabeth Folks and Eleanor Megdell.

### Foundation Dues Donations

Thanks to the following members who made a voluntary donation to the Bar Foundation through the dues statement as of September 12, 2011: to Sherri Belknap; Hon. Earl Borradaile, George Brueck, Howard J. Bueche; Robert A. Burchfield; Ward Chapman; Hon. John Christensen; Howard D. Cline; Cooley, Moulton & Smith; Carol Fallis; John Folts; Ernest I. Gifford; George Hamo; Clifford Hart; Edwin Jakeway; S. Olof Karlstrom; J. David Karr; Matthew Karr; Hon. Arthalu Lancaster; Thomas McKenney; Erwin F. Meiers; Barbara Menear; Jack Neal; Hon. Allen Nelson; Jill Nylander; Philip J. Olson; Edward Parker; Harry Piper; Jeremy Piper; James P. Ricker; Richmond Riggs; Richard Ruhala; Jack Straley; Henry Thoma; Martin Tyckoski; Jessica Ward; Robin Wheaton; Pamela Wisstrand; Roberta J. Wray; and John Wright.

### Case Evaluation Late Fee Donors

Thanks to **Michael Rizik, Susan Philpott-Preketes, Denise Couling, Jerry Winegarden, Michael Behm, Johathan Hartman, Ricky Carlson, Mark Newman, Arthur Busch, Clifford Hart, Glen Lenhoff, Bill Brickley** for donating their Case Evaluation late fees, which are placed in a restricted building account.

### New Members

Welcome to our newest members **Eric Yeaster, Amanda Cole, Melissa DiGiamberdine, Margaret K. Richards, Bruce Leach and Nicole Hebert Graham**

### Baby Barristers

Congratulations to **Amy Kline** and Robert Lipset on the birth of their son, Charles Adams Lipset, on August 29, 2011. Charles weighed in at 7 lbs 1 oz. and was 19 inches long.

### GCBA Senior Attorneys

The GCBA senior attorneys will meet at noon on October 13th at Valley Coney Island, at Linden and Miller Rd. Anyone over 65 (retired or not) is welcome to attend.

### 68th District Court

The website for 68th District Court is now up and running. The website is: [www.68thdistrictcourt.com](http://www.68thdistrictcourt.com). The status of a 68th District Court Case can now be viewed by clicking on records check and then free records check. Thank you ~ *Helen J. Davis, Court Services Manager*

### Retirement Party

You are invited to celebrate the retirement of **Richmond Riggs**. He is retiring from the Prosecutor's Office with 26 years of service. Please join in celebration of Richmond on Thursday, September 15, 2011, 4 – 7 p.m. at Blackstone's, 531 S. Saginaw St. in Downtown Flint. Hors d'oeuvres & Cash Bar.

### Address Change

**James Dillard** has relocated to 2367 S. Linden Rd., Ste. B, Flint, MI 48532. Phone: 810 230-9370, fax: 810 230-9372

**Spender & Robb, P.C.** has relocated to 2367 S. Linden Road, Suite B, Flint, MI 48532. Phone: 810 230-1415; fax: 810 732-0144



### Calendar of Events

**September 16th:** Constitution Day.

**September 19th:** Membership Meeting. Noon; Masonic Temple. See enclosed flyer for more information.

**September 20th:** Family Court meeting; noon; GCBA.

**September 23rd:** Probate committee meeting; noon; GCBA

### Email Address

We want to keep you informed. Please add: [tyb@gcbalaw.org](mailto:tyb@gcbalaw.org); [sje@gcbalaw.org](mailto:sje@gcbalaw.org); [emh@gcbalaw.org](mailto:emh@gcbalaw.org) and [gcbalaw@gcbalaw.org](mailto:gcbalaw@gcbalaw.org) to your address book, as well as your "safe sender" list in order for you to continue to receive emails from GCBA staff.

### GCBA Online Directory

Get listed in our online directory. Select member directory on our website [www.gcbalaw.org](http://www.gcbalaw.org) to enhance the information listed.

### Congratulations

- ◆ **to Larry Day**, who recently set two world records in the USMS Nationals in Auburn, AL. In addition to his world records Larry has invented a swimming pacing clock called a Pace Pal that helped him to set those world records. A recent article in the August Edition of Liberty Sports Magazine, <http://www.libertysportsmag.com/2011/08/pace-pal-underwater-pace-clock-2/> describes the clock and its attributes. Please join us in congratulating Larry on his invention and his world records. We all win when one of our members excels.
- ◆ **Francine Cullari**, a past president of GCBA and a trustee of the GCBF, has been appointed the chairperson of the State Bar of Michigan Publications and Website Advisory Committee (PWAC). The PWAC advises the Board of Commissioners regarding the SBM website, the Michigan Bar Journal, the SBM member directory and some 30 or so other publications of SBM. She succeeds Frederick M. Baker, Jr., who has served on the committee for 28 years, all but four as chairperson.
- ◆ Congratulations to **Randy Petrides** for being selected a winner in the State Bar Short Story Contest. Of 43 entries, **Randy** placed at 15 with *To Olive, With Love*. GCBA member **Francine Cullari** is one of the five judges for the biannual contest, sponsored by the *Michigan Bar Journal*. The stories are online at [http://www.michbar.org/publications/bar\\_journal.cfm](http://www.michbar.org/publications/bar_journal.cfm)

# Constitution Day

## Friday, September 16, 2011

### Volunteer Opportunity



The Law Day Committee is in need of volunteers to assist area high school teachers in teaching the U.S. Constitution and the Michigan Constitution. Constitution Day will allow the opportunity for a positive exposure to the law for all participants.

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#### Volunteer Sign-up

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax this form to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310 or mail to:  
GCBA, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502.  
Please register ASAP!**

# Genesee County Bar Association September Membership Meeting

Featuring



**Terri Stangl**  
**Executive Director of Center for Civil Justice**

on

**“What Every Lawyer Should Know About  
Michigan’s Social Safety Net”**

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**  
**MASONIC TEMPLE—12 NOON**

The Center for Civil Justice is a non-profit organization that advocates for people needing basic governmental assistance. With offices in Flint and Saginaw, CCJ ensures that critical safety net programs in Michigan are available to eligible individuals and families. CCJ Executive Director Terri Stangl, Co-Chair of the State Bar of Michigan’s Committee on Justice Initiatives, will provide important information that Genesee County lawyers can use to advise clients struggling in the current economic crisis. She also will discuss how CCJ has used its expertise in novel ways to protect the rights of thousands of people in need.

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION:** Please print legibly

September 19th       Sustaining Member - Free       GCBA Member - \$10       Non-member - \$15  
\*\*\*\$15 for walk-ins. Unpaid no-shows will be billed \$15.\*\*\*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Information:       Note the attached check # \_\_\_\_\_      Checks payable to the GCBA

Credit card information:       Visa       MasterCard Charge my credit card for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date: \_\_\_\_\_ Last 3#'s on back of card: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address for card: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL** registration form with check to the Genesee County Bar Association, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. **FAX** registration form with credit card information to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310. **ON-LINE** register on-line at [www.gcbalaw.org](http://www.gcbalaw.org). **Telephone reservations are not accepted.**



**INVITATION TO DINNER HONORING C. FREDERICK ROBINSON, OLOF KARLSTROM, AND CARL BEKOFKSKE**

**The ACLU of Michigan Greater Flint Branch Presents C. Frederick Robinson (posthumously), Olof Karlstrom, and Carl Bekofske with its 2011 Civil Libertarian of the Year Award at its Annual Dinner.**

**WHAT:** The ACLU of Michigan Greater Flint Branch will hold its Annual Dinner honoring C. Frederick Robinson, Olof Karlstrom, and Carl Bekofske with its 2011 Thomas A. Baltus Civil Libertarian of the Year Award in recognition of the work of each in protecting and preserving civil liberties over the years.

In addition to the awards presentation, the keynote speaker, Virginia Rezmierski, PhD, will speak on the topic: Electronic Privacy Under Assault.

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 6 p.m.

**WHERE:** Flint Golf Club- 3100 Lakewood Drive, Flint, MI

**COST:** \$35 per ticket

For more information regarding the Greater Flint Branch's Annual Dinner or to purchase tickets, visit [www.aclumich.org](http://www.aclumich.org) or call Gregory Gibbs ACLU of Michigan Greater Flint Branch President at 810. 239-9470 or email Gibbs at [greggibbs51@sbcglobal.net](mailto:greggibbs51@sbcglobal.net). Tickets may also be purchased from Glenn Simmington, Muna Jondy, Orene Bryant, or Jodi Hemingway.

**ABOUT THE HONOREES:**

**C. Frederick Robinson served the Flint Community as an attorney from 1956 until his untimely demise in 2011. He steadfastly fought against racism and inequality and was instrumental in the causing Flint to pass one of this countries first open housing ordinances.**

**S. Olof Karlstrom has been an attorney in Flint from 1965 to the present. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Greater Flint ACLU and its legal committee. He has been involved in litigation and policy which has advanced equal rights of women and minorities**

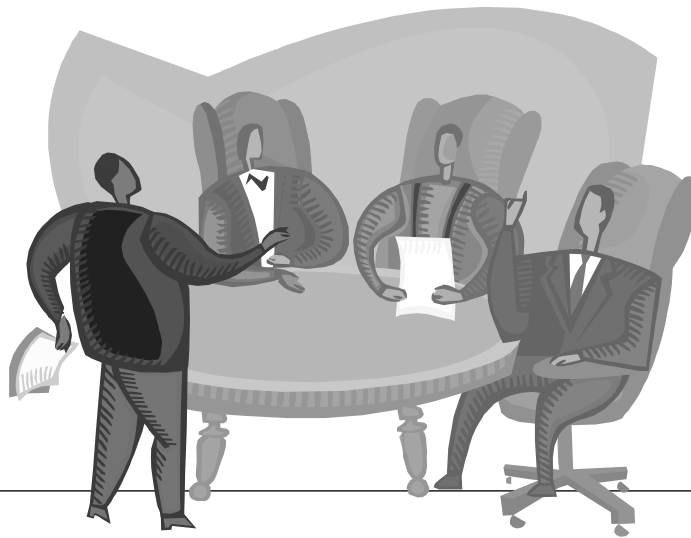
**Carl Bekofske has been an attorney in Flint from 1968 to the present. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Greater Flint ACLU and its legal committee. He has advanced the cause of civil liberties in civil and criminal litigation and public policy his entire career.**

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# Save the Date

## 2011– 2012 GCBA Monthly Membership Meetings



Noon at the Masonic Temple, Downtown Flint

October 17, 2011

November 21, 2011 ♦ January 23, 2012

February 27, 2012 ♦ March 19, 2012

April 16, 2012 ♦ May 21, 2012

Luncheon free to Sustaining Members; \$10 members; \$15 non-members;  
\$15 walk-ins. Unpaid no-shows will be billed \$15.





Community Resolution Center and Community Mediation Services  
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## General Civil Mediator Training MCR 2.411 SCAO Approved for Court Roster Mediators

**September 29-30 and October 5-7, 2011**  
**5 Day - 40hr Training 9am to 6pm**  
**Ralph A. MacMullen Conference Center in Roscommon**

**Gain the knowledge and skills to become a trained mediator. Help others resolve conflict personally and professionally. Learn and practice the mediation process:**

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**Outstanding TRAINING Featuring Barbara Johannessen**, one of Michigan's finest, most respected and experienced trainers. Barbara leads this intensive and highly interactive 40-hour SCAO approved training using hands-on demonstrations, multi-media training formats, mini-lectures and round table discussions. Qualified and experienced observers/coaches complete the picture, providing individualized feedback.

**Cost:** \$500.00      **Includes:** Course materials, lunch and Training Certificate

If you become a volunteer mediator with us after completion of training and observations you may qualify for a partial refund of the training cost. Check with us for more details.

Post-Training observation and co-mediation time is included and will be scheduled on an individual basis.

**Call Today to Register**

**Community Resolution Center**

315 East Court Street, Ste # 200 Flint, MI 48502

Phone: 810-249-2619 Fax: 810-239-9545

Email: [jane.odell@comcast.net](mailto:jane.odell@comcast.net)

[www.mediation/crc.org](http://www.mediation/crc.org)

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# Training Registration Form

## Contact information

Print name as you wish it to appear on certificate: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## Background information for trainer

Occupation/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Education (list degrees): \_\_\_\_\_

Related Experience/Training: \_\_\_\_\_

## Other information

Where did you hear about this Mediator Training?

www.mediation-crc.org  SCAO  email  friend  Bar Assoc.  other \_\_\_\_\_

request more information on overnight lodging at my own expense

Special accommodations or dietary need \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send this completed form by September 9, 2011 via email, fax, or mail to:**

Email: [jane.odell@comcast.net](mailto:jane.odell@comcast.net)

Fax: 810-239-9545

Mail: Community Resolution Center

315 East Court Street

Flint MI 48502

Mail check payable to the *Community Resolution Center* to address above.

## Registration confirmation

Email confirmation will be sent upon receipt of payment. Additional training information will be sent to participants approximately 1-2 weeks prior to start of training.

For Administrative Purposes Only: Date Received \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ confirm sent \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Amount rec'd: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_





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315 E Court St. Ste 200  
Flint,, MI 48502

Phone: (810) 249-2619  
Fax: (810) 239-9545  
jane.odell@comcast.net

**Training Fees:**

\$500.00 \*

\*If you become a volunteer mediator for CRC after completion of your training (including your required observations and mediation) you may qualify for a partial refund.

# Training Announcement

The Community Resolution Center (CRC) is a non-profit organization, with offices in Flint and Saginaw covering nine counties including: Arenac, Bay, Clare, Gladwin, Genesee, Midland, Ogemaw, Roscommon and Saginaw. We provide low cost mediation services to the community. Most mediations take place in the community from which they are referred.

Typically, mediation is the opportunity for people to settle their disputes in a neutral and confidential setting, outside the courtroom. CRC mediators can mediate any type of case that you would normally see in the court, with the exception of criminal cases.

Our mediators are volunteers from the community who offer their time and talent to help people resolve conflicts in a non-adversarial manner. Becoming a volunteer mediator is a great way to make a difference in your community!

Completion of the 40-hour training is required by the State Court Administrative Office to become a mediator. Anyone is eligible to participate in this training, however you must be pre-registered. *Completion of training and internship requirement does not guarantee future placement with CRC and the CRC reserves the right to accept or decline offers of volunteer service.*

**For more details or to register: call, e-mail, or send us the enrollment form below.**

## 40 Hour General Civil Mediators Training

(MCR2.411)

November 3, 4, 5, 10 and 11, 2011

All sessions are from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

100% attendance is required in order to receive your certificate

*Enrollment deadline is 10/15/11.*

The training location is Northern Tier Center of Mott Community College in Clio, MI

Trainer: Barbara Johannessen

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**ENROLLMENT FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Training Fee: \$500 \*

Please detach this enrollment form and return with any applicable fees made payable to:

CRC

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## GCBA Conference Room

The GCBA Conference Room seats 12 - 16 comfortably and is **\*free** to members. This room may be used for meetings, conferences, depositions, mediation, arbitration and other needs.

Amenities Include:

- ◆ Television
- ◆ DVD Player
- ◆ Computer/Internet Access
- ◆ 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) 232-6012.

\*A nominal fee applies to all non-members



# GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION 2011-2012 COMMITTEE REGISTRATION FORM

Want to know what is happening in your practice area? Just sign up for a committee by placing a check in the space to the left of each committee.

Fax this form by September 30, 2011 to the GCBA at 810-232-8310 or mail to:

Genesee County Bar Association  
315 E. Court St.  
Flint, MI 48502

PLEASE VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME TO SERVE YOUR PROFESSION.

## Committees

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ADR                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bar Beat                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Bench and Bar           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Business Law                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law & Defender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Court                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Court            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Practice               | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Outing             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Day                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer Referral         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Aid                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate Committee       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Practice & Ethics |  |

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2011  
FAX TO (810) 232-8310

Ad-Hoc Committees will be appointed by the president as needed.

\*Business Law Committee includes banking, tax law and real estate