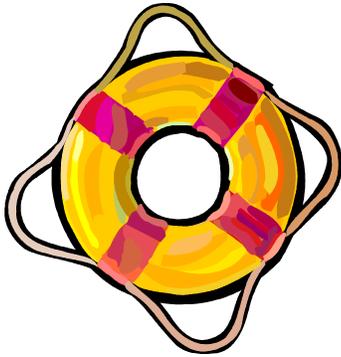


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SBA Law Day Luncheon, DeSoto Hilton

**May 10, 2012**  
GAWL/YLD Annual Judicial Reception

## Don't Miss The Boat!

The SBA will set sail on the *Spirit of Harbour Town* down the Savannah River to Daufuskie Island on **Friday, April 20, 2012**. The boat boards at **9:30 a.m.** and leaves at 10:00 a.m. from the dock directly in front of Spanky's Restaurant on River Street. The boat should return around 4:00/4:30 p.m. that afternoon. The cost is \$12.00 in advance and \$15.00 at the boat for SBA members, and \$16.00 in advance and \$20.00 at the boat for guests. The deadline for the advance registration is April 19, 2012, or until the boat fills up. Remember, you must have paid your 2011-2012 dues in full in order to board the boat!

SBA members may sign-up online at [www.savannahbar.org](http://www.savannahbar.org) through April 19<sup>th</sup>, or mail payment to Catherine Bowman, The Bowman Law Office, 7505 Waters Avenue, Suite D-3, Savannah, GA 31406 by Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

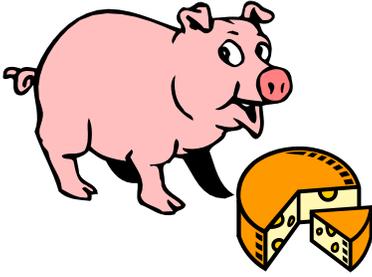
See you on April 20<sup>th</sup>!

## SBA Hosts National Board of Bar Examiners

The Savannah Bar Association is hosting a reception on **Saturday, April 21, 2012**, at **45 Bistro**, 123 East Broughton Street, for the National Board of Bar Examiners. Judges from Courts nationwide, including the Georgia appellate courts, will be in attendance. SBA members are invited and encouraged to attend, and may register online at [www.savannahbar.org](http://www.savannahbar.org). The reception will have an open bar and great food. This will be a rare opportunity to meet and speak with a diverse group of judges. The SBA hopes that the members of the Savannah Bar Association will show their support by attending.

## Savannah Boar Association Seeks To Kiss Pig

By Dave Smith



A dozen members of the Savannah Bar Association (Team Captain **Ashleigh Madison** and her crew, **Dave Smith**, **Quentin Marlin**, **Colin McRae**, **Robert Hughes**, **Daniel Jenkins**, **Thomas Gore**, **Colby Longley**, **Helen Bacon**, **Billy Otto**, **Zach Thomas**, and **Christy Balbo**) have joined forces as a team in the 2012 Kiss-A-Pig Campaign to raise money for the American Diabetes Association to fund research into a cure and care for diabetes. The winner of this fundraising competition has the honor of kissing Remy, a piglet honored by the American Diabetes Association as

the original source of insulin for treatment of human diabetics. The Savannah Bar Association team has arranged two events as part of their fundraising campaign and invites the entire Savannah Bar to join them to celebrate and help in this worthy cause.

On **Wednesday, April 18, 2012**, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Sandfly Bar and Grill, the lawyers' team will sponsor a **Night of Wine, Cheese & Chocolates**, a charity tasting event dedicated to the memory of G. Terry Jackson, a longstanding member and former president of the Savannah Bar Association. Samplings include gourmet cheeses from Form, and artisan chocolates from both Wright Square Café in Sandfly and All Things Chocolate in Richmond Hill. A variety of fine wines will be paired with those offerings, and jazz legend Ben Tucker will perform. A silent auction will also be held. Admission to the event requires a \$40.00 per person, or \$75.00 per couple, donation to the American Diabetes Association.

On **Thursday, May 3, 2012**, the lawyers' team will sponsor a wine and craft beer tasting at the Rebel Room at Johnny Ganem's on Habersham Street. That celebration will feature fine wines and select craft beers, together with heavy *hors d'oeuvres* provided by local fine dining restaurants. The party will also feature an open bar and live rock 'n roll music from CALL THE COPS. Admission to this event requires only a \$35.00 donation to the American Diabetes Association. All contributions will go in the column of the Savannah Boar Association.

You can also contribute to the lawyers' efforts by giving any of the team members your cash or check made payable to the **American Diabetes Association**, or by going to the official Kiss-A-Pig webpage ([www.diabetes.org/savannahkap2012](http://www.diabetes.org/savannahkap2012)), where you can click on the picture of the lawyers' team to make a donation by credit card. All contributions are tax deductible.

## GLSP Launches Public Benefits Hotline

By: Bill Broker

Georgia Legal Services (GLSP) has launched a new hotline to help elderly and disabled individuals more easily learn about and, where appropriate, make application for public benefits to which they may be entitled. Clients you may think are in need of help can call 1-888-632-6332, The Hotline focuses on the following programs: Medicare Part D or Low Income Subsidy, Medicare Savings Programs: 1. Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB); 2. Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB); and Qualified Individual (QI1), Food Stamps, Low-Income Energy Assistance, and Medicare & Medicaid.

## Savannah Law School To Host Open House For Prospective Students

The new Savannah Law School, a branch of the ABA-accredited Atlanta's John Marshall Law School, will host its second **Open House** on **April 28, 2012**, for prospective students interested in joining the inaugural class in August 2012. The Open House and Luncheon will be from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on April 28, 2012, at the Armstrong Center, 13040 Abercorn Street, Savannah, GA 31419. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Prospective students will have the opportunity to meet new faculty members, participate in a mock class, meet current John Marshall Law School students, and learn more about the academic programs, preparing for the LSAT, admissions process, scholarships and financial aid, career services, and academic success programs. The event will feature former Chatham County District Attorney Spencer Lawton as guest speaker.

The Savannah Law School will offer full-time and part-time day or part-time evening programs. Currently, 400 applications have been received for the 95 available seats since enrollment began on December 15, 2011. Both Financial aid and merit-based scholarships are available, and students can still apply via smartphone or tablet at [m.savannahlawschool.org](http://m.savannahlawschool.org) or on the internet at [www.savannahlawschool.org/apply](http://www.savannahlawschool.org/apply) and [www.lsac.org](http://www.lsac.org).

To RSVP for the Open House and Luncheon, prospective students should contact the Office of Admissions at [admissions@savannahlawschool.org](mailto:admissions@savannahlawschool.org) or by phone at (912) 346-1657.

### SBA Scholarship Committee Seeking Applications

The Scholarship Committee of the Savannah Bar Association is seeking applicants for two scholarships administered by The Savannah Community Foundation, Inc. **The Judge Eugene Gadsden Award** was established in the memory of Judge Gadsden as an outstanding community leader known for his integrity, character and compassion. The award is provided to a Chatham County high school senior for college expenses. One student is selected from the numerous applications based on a combination of academic merit and financial need. The award provides \$1,000 per year for four years of college. **The Judge Phyllis Kravitch Award** was established by Judge Kravitch's law clerks in tribute to her continued fairness, patience and wisdom. The award is given to a rising second or third year law student from Chatham County who attends an accredited school of law in Georgia or the University of Pennsylvania school of law. The deadline to apply for these scholarships is **April 20, 2012** (by 3:00 p.m for the Judge Gadsden Award). Students interested in the Judge Eugene Gadsden Award should speak to their high school counselors for application information. Students interested in the Judge Phyllis Kravitch Award should contact The Savannah Community Foundation, Inc., 7393 Hodgson Memorial Drive, Suite 204, Savannah, GA 31406, (912) 921-7700.

## The Justice For Children Foundation Joins St. Patrick's Day Parade



The Justice for Children Foundation, founded by SBA member **Howard Spiva**, joined in the St. Patrick's Day celebration and promoted its mission to prevent serious injuries to children. Since 1999, JFCF is dedicated to preventing brain injuries in children.

## GAWL and YLD Plan Annual Judicial Reception

The Savannah Chapter of the **Georgia Association for Women Lawyers** and the **Young Lawyers Division** of the Savannah Bar Association will hold their annual Judicial Reception on **Thursday, May 10, 2012** from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at Inglesby, Falligant, Horne, Courington & Chisholm, P.C., 17 West McDonough Street, Savannah, Georgia. All YLD and GAWL members are invited and encouraged to attend.

For more information, please contact **Lindsey Lovingood** at [lindsey@tmlawpc.com](mailto:lindsey@tmlawpc.com).

## Georgia Supreme Court Amends Its Oral Argument Rule

The Supreme Court of Georgia has amended its rule 50 regarding oral argument, extending the mandatory oral argument requirement to every granted interim review case and every granted death penalty habeas appeal. The amended Rule 50 took effect on March 9, 2012. A copy of the order setting forth the rule in full is available at:

[http://www.gasupreme.us/rules/amended\\_rules/order\\_rule50.pdf](http://www.gasupreme.us/rules/amended_rules/order_rule50.pdf).

## Georgia Court of Appeals Amends Rules 4 and 5

Rules 4 and 5 of the Court of Appeals of Georgia are amended effective April 23, 2012. Rule 4 has been amended to include a paragraph concerning filing dates and inmate mail. Rule 5 has been amended to clarify that the appellant and appellant's counsel are liable for the filing fee as soon as the appeal is docketed, but that in direct appeals, the appellant or appellant's counsel have until filing the brief, if a brief is filed, to pay the cost due. A copy of the amended Rules 4 and 5 is available at:

[http://www.gaappeals.us/amendment4\\_5.pdf](http://www.gaappeals.us/amendment4_5.pdf).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Associate Position

Small Savannah law firm with practice in representation of labor unions and their Taft Hartley funds is in need of an associate with strong research abilities and writing skills and preferably an interest in the representation of organized labor. Send application and resume to [BignaultandCarter\\_lawfirm@comcast.net](mailto:BignaultandCarter_lawfirm@comcast.net).

### Opening for Part-Time Legal Assistant

The law firm of **Beckmann & Lewis, LLP** seeks part-time legal secretary/ assistant. Minimum 20 hours per week; hours flexible and applicants' preferred work hours will be taken into account. Paralegal degree preferred; prior employment experience in the legal field required. Must be proficient in Microsoft Office and capable of using software to transcribe dictation recorded by firm lawyers. Applicants should forward resumes, references, and contact information to [gpm@beckmannlewis.com](mailto:gpm@beckmannlewis.com).

### Associate Position

**Ellis, Painter, Ratterree & Adams LLP**, an established and respected Savannah law firm, seeks a real estate attorney to join its growing Real Estate team. This is a full-time position, but qualified part-time applicants also will be considered. The ideal attorney will have experience reviewing title abstracts, addressing title issues, preparing and reviewing sales contracts and closing documents, conducting closings and preparing title insurance commitments and policies. Candidates should have a minimum of 3 years of experience in a residential real estate practice and must be a member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia. EPRA is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Qualified applicants please forward resume and salary requirements to Allison C. Hill, Director of Operations & Administration, at [ahill@epra-law.com](mailto:ahill@epra-law.com). No phone calls please.

### Savannah Tire Offers SBA Group Discount

Frank Baylor of Savannah Tire, Brake and Alignment Centers is offering at all eight of its locations discounts of 5% (before taxes and environmental fees) to all members of the Savannah Bar Association. It is important to identify yourself as an SBA member at the time the service order is written up. If you have any questions about the discount, please contact Mr. Baylor, Commercial Account Manager, at (912) 341-0321 or [fbaylor@savannahtire.com](mailto:fbaylor@savannahtire.com).

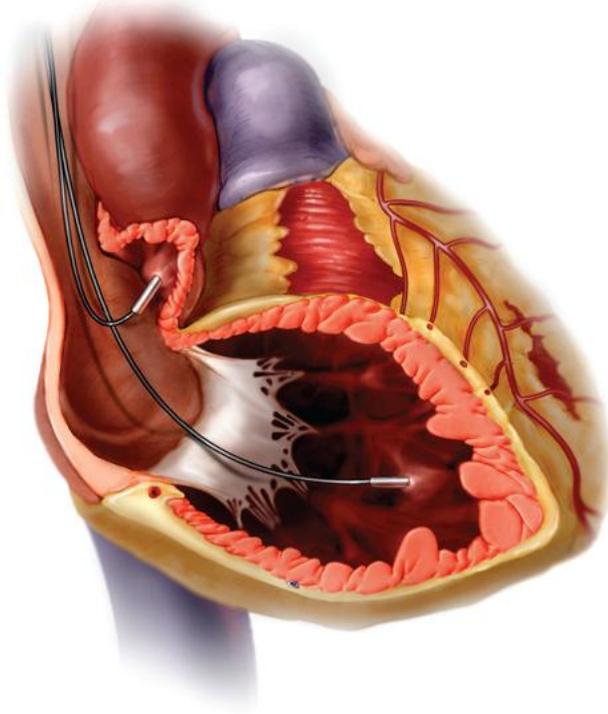
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