

# The Citation December

## Thank You YLD For the \$5,000 Donation To the GAL Program!

The Family Law Resource Center would like to thank the Young Lawyers Division of the Savannah Bar for their generous donation of \$5,000 to the Guardian Ad Litem Program. The YLD holds a golf tournament every year to support the Guardian Ad Litem program. We appreciate their continued support of the Guardian Ad Litem program year after year.



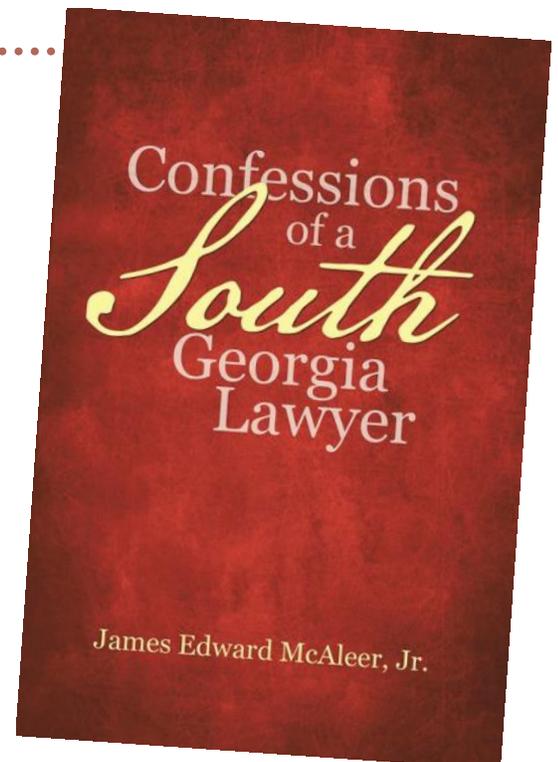
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Trish Murphy, Director

## Confessions of a Georgia Lawyer

James Edward McAleer is a ninety-year-old who was President of the Savannah Plaintiffs Trial Lawyers in 1971, President of the Savannah Bar Association in 1984-1985, and received the Savannah Bar Association's Professionalism Award in 2001. He has written a book, "Confessions of a South Georgia Lawyer."

McAleer sets out his perception of the changes in the practice of law during the fifty-plus year that he practiced by the massive increase of female lawyers and black lawyers, the increase in the size of our community, the Bar, and the effects of integration. Many of his tales about the courtroom and his law practice are funny, sometimes tragic, but always entertaining.

The book can be obtained from the author at 1312 Lavon Avenue, Savannah, GA 31406, phone 354-8497; also at E. Shaver, Bookseller.





# Calling All Supporters of the Mediation Center

Join us to Celebrate the Volunteers of the Mediation Center and Contribute to Youth Programs

Thursday, January 18 | 5:30-8 p.m. | Cohen's Retreat, 5715 Skidaway Rd.

This social and professional networking opportunity will feature live entertainment by Ricardo Ochoa & His Gypsy Jazz Quartet, drinks, appetizers, and a raffle fundraiser. Business Dress

The Mediation Center of the Coastal Empire invites you to become a sponsor for our inaugural "Velvet Gala" to benefit the Mediation Center's Peer Mediation, Community Conferencing and Children of Peaceful Engagement (COPE) youth programs. As a nonprofit entity, all sponsorships are tax deductible.

To make this evening a success, help us by sponsoring the Velvet Gala and your logo will appear in program materials and on the Mediation Center website. We are seeking sponsors at the funding levels listed below:

### Gala Sponsor

\$5,000 (8 tickets to Velvet Gala)

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\$5,000 (8 tickets to Velvet Gala)

### Gypsy Jazz Sponsor

\$2,500 (6 tickets to Velvet Gala)

### Mediator Sponsor

\$2,000 (4 tickets to Velvet Gala)

### Youth Sponsor

\$1,000 (2 tickets to Velvet Gala)

PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
THE MEDIATION CENTER OF THE COASTAL EMPIRE'S INAUGURAL

# Velvet Gala

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018  
5:30 - 8 P.M.  
COHEN'S RETREAT, 5715 SKIDAWAY RD.

DRINKS, APPETIZERS, RAFFLE FUNDRAISER, AND ENTERTAINMENT BY RICARDO OCHOA & HIS GYPSY JAZZ QUARTET

Tickets cost \$45 each.  
To purchase tickets, visit [www.velvetgala.eventbrite.com](http://www.velvetgala.eventbrite.com).  
For more information call 912-354-6686 or email [info@mediationsavannah.com](mailto:info@mediationsavannah.com).



Proceeds from this event will support the youth programs of the Mediation Center.

Email Jill Cheeks at [jcheeks@mediationsavannah.com](mailto:jcheeks@mediationsavannah.com) with the sponsorship level at which you'd like to contribute and you'll be provided an invoice and request for your logo. Your sponsorship will help assure the success of the Velvet Gala and the continuation of our strong, youth-focused initiatives.

**Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased at [www.velvetgala.eventbrite.com](http://www.velvetgala.eventbrite.com)**

We'd greatly appreciate your support with this endeavor, and we hope you'll join us at Cohen's Retreat on January 18. *Please do not hesitate to contact Jill at [jcheeks@mediationsavannah.com](mailto:jcheeks@mediationsavannah.com) or 912-354-5867 with questions or to discuss your contribution.*



## CLE Credit for High School Mock Trial Judging Panel Members



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Attorneys who serve on a judging panel for the Georgia High School Mock Trial Competition are now eligible to receive CLE credit for their time. The following credits are offered for each level (weekend) of time volunteered:

For the first level of competition (Regions, District, or State Finals) of your help:

- **1 hour** of CLE Credit, which includes 1 hour of **Trial Practice** (\$5) and 1 hour of **Professionalism** (\$15)

For the second level of competition of your help:

- **1 additional hour** of CLE Credit, which includes an additional hour of **Trial Practice** (\$5)

The submission form will be located behind the password on the **Judging Panel** page of the Mock Trial website ([www.georgiamocktrial.org](http://www.georgiamocktrial.org)) and will be made available to judging panel volunteers at the end of January.

To volunteer for a Judging Panel, forms are located on the **Volunteer for the Program** page of the website.

We are happy to be able to offer you a tangible “thank you” for the time you spend preparing for the trial rounds and at the courthouse on the day of competition. It is our hope that your time observing the students will be as mutually beneficial for you as it is for them.

If you are interested in serving on a panel for rounds held in Savannah, please contact Craig Call ([c\\_call@sampclaw.com](mailto:c_call@sampclaw.com)) or John Manly ([john@jbmlawpc.com](mailto:john@jbmlawpc.com)) for more information.



# SAVE THE DATE: SBA Hot Topics Seminar: Agenda Finalized!

Friday, January 26, 2018 at the Savannah Golf Club, to coincide with SBA luncheon



THE SAVANNAH BAR ASSOCIATION PRESENTS:  
HOT TOPICS SEMINAR  
January 26, 2018  
The Savannah Golf Club  
1661 East President Street  
Savannah, GA 31404

Richard A. Sanders Jr., Chair  
Evan Miller, Co-Chair  
John Toner, Mark Kelso, Lexye  
Shockley- Committee

7:45 – 8:20 a.m.	Registration
8:20 – 8:30 a.m.	Welcome by Richard Sanders
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	<b>Family Law- Q &amp; A</b> Hon. Michael L. Karpf, Chief Judge Superior Court Hon. Timothy R. Walmsley, Judge Superior Court Amanda Love, Esq.
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	<b>Criminal Law- DUI Update- The basics</b> Doug Andrews, Esq.
10:00 – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Dispossessory- Landlord Tenant</b> Hon. Michael H. Barker, Judge Magistrate Court
10:45 – 11:15 a.m.	BREAK
11:15 – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Chatham County</b> Casey Martinez, Esq., Director of ADR Chatham County
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.	<b>SAVANNAH BAR ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON- Professionalism</b> Hon. Lisa Godbey Wood, Judge USDC SDGA
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	<b>Probate Court Update</b> Hon. Thomas C. Bordeaux, Jr., Judge Probate Court Wendy Williamson, Esq., Chief Clerk of Probate Court
2:00 – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Juvenile Court update</b> Hon. Thomas L. Cole, Judge Juvenile Court Diane McLeod, Esq. Wendy Furey, Esq.
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Evidence- Evolution of New Evidence Code</b> Joseph D'Agostino, Esq., Assistant Professor Savannah Law School
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	BREAK
3:15 – 4:15 p.m.	<b>Ethics – The Ethical Implementation of Using and Defending Against the Reptilian Trial Strategy</b> Dennis Keene, Esq.
4:15 – 4:45 p.m.	<b>Personal Injury- Deposition &amp; Trial Tactics</b> John Manly, Esq. Meagan Manly, Esq.
4:45 p.m.	Adjourn



**SAVANNAH BAR ASSOCIATION  
HOT TOPICS SEMINAR**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Date:** Friday, January 26, 2018  
**Time:** Registration begins at 7:45 A.M.  
Program begins at 8:20 A.M.  
**Place:** The Savannah Golf Club, 1661 East President Street, Savannah, GA 31404

**Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Georgia Bar No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuition:** [Lunch is included in tuition]

- [ ] \$180.00 Savannah Bar Association Members Early Registration (by January 10, 2018)
- [ ] \$210.00 Savannah Bar Association Members Late Registration
- [ ] \$205.00 Non-Savannah Bar Association Members Early Registration (by January 10, 2018)
- [ ] \$235.00 Non-Savannah Bar Association Members Late Registration
- [ ] \$140.00 Government / Student

**PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO "SAVANNAH BAR ASSOCIATION" AND RETURN WITH THIS FORM TO:**

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Savannah, GA 31401  
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(912) 236-1420 (FAX)

**7.00 TOTAL HOURS OF CLE CREDIT (PENDING APPROVAL) INCLUDING: 4.25 HOURS OF TRIAL PRACTICE,  
1 HOUR OF ETHICS, &  
1 HOUR OF PROFESSIONALISM**



## Georgia Law Day Coloring Contest Winners 2017

In celebration of Law Day this year, the Judicial Council of Georgia along with the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Georgia Council of Court Administrators and the Georgia Department of Education sponsored the Inaugural Law Day coloring/poster contest. The contest was based on the American Bar Association's theme "The 14th Amendment: Transforming American Democracy."

The submissions were reviewed by the Judicial Council and the Administrative Office of the Courts staff.

They were then judged by members of the Judicial Council at its April 28, 2017, meeting in Savannah. To illustrate the significance of the competition in this Law Day coloring contest, there were over 2,500 coloring sheets and over 50 original posters submitted by middle and high school students submitted from every corner of Georgia including public, private, charter, church and home schools.



There are three contest winners from Chatham County. Liza Hall who is currently an Island's High School student placed third in the State in the category high school original poster. Ava Burr, a Bartlett STEM Academy Student, won first place in middle school original poster category. Malia Johnson, a student at Spencer Elementary at the time of the contest and now a student at Marsh Point, won first place in the category third to fifth grade.

All three winners received a "scales of justice" trophy and the first place winners each received a \$10.00 gift card to Wal-mart. During this moment of celebration for these young folks I wanted to take this opportunity to read to everyone the document which has caused us to organize together for this Law Day Coloring Contest. It is the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution and it reads in part, "all persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges and immunities of the citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

At this time we want to thank the families and school officials for their support and invite everyone to come forward and congratulate our student winners from Chatham County and enjoy their art work. Thank you for making this a special day for Liza, Ava and Malia.

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## DOWNTOWN SPACE FOR RENT

Downtown Office Space For Rent. Perfect for a law office. 124 West Liberty Street. Parking included.

Please call 912-232-6423 for more information or to inquire about a showing. Ask for Tammie Saxon.





## Three Bouhan Falligant attorneys recognized as Legal Elite

Three Bouhan Falligant attorneys were recently recognized in the December 2017 issue of Georgia Trend with the publication's prestigious "Legal Elite" designation. Legal Elite recognizes the top attorneys in the state of Georgia as selected by their peers.

"Being recognized by our legal peers is always an honor," said Lea Holliday, managing partner, Bouhan Falligant. "This year's Legal Elite from Bouhan Falligant reflect the firm's commitment to superior service in their respective practice areas."

Bouhan Falligant attorneys who earned the Legal Elite designation include:



**Rob Brannen**  
Real Estate/Construction



**Kathleen Horne**  
Bankruptcy



**Benjamin Karpf**  
Intellectual Property

Georgia Trend's Legal Elite issue honors the state's most effective attorneys in a number of practice areas, including bankruptcy/creditors' rights, business law, corporate law, criminal law, family law, general practice, labor & employment, personal injury, public finance/bonds, and taxes/estates/trusts. Recipients, who must be a member of the State Bar and live and practice in Georgia, are nominated and selected by their peers.



### ABOUT BOUHAN FALLIGANT:

Bouhan Falligant is a full-service Georgia law firm with experienced attorneys who can handle a broad range of complex legal issues for businesses, governmental entities, organizations, professionals, and individuals, both regionally and nationally. Through more than 125 years of practicing law, the firm has developed the deep knowledge base and sound judgment that delivers value to our clients. Bouhan Falligant attracts exceptional attorneys who are diligent, determined and care about the success of its clients.



## Nine HunterMaclean attorneys recognized as Legal Elite

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and Brunswick, is honored to announce that nine attorneys were recently recognized as 2017 Legal Elite by Georgia Trend. A statewide business publication, Georgia Trend recently published its annual issue honoring Georgia’s leading attorneys for their achievements in various practice areas.

HunterMaclean attorneys named as 2017 Legal Elite include:



**Thomas S. Cullen**  
Corporate Law



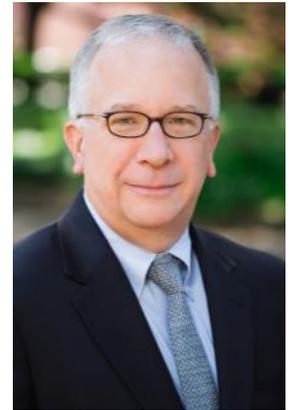
**Andrew H. Ernst**  
Environmental Law



**T. Mills Fleming**  
Health Care



**J. Benedict Hartman**  
Taxation, Estates and  
Trusts



**Wade W. Herring, II**  
Labor & Employment



**Shawn A. Kachmar**  
Labor & Employment



**Frank S. Macgill**  
Taxation, Estates and  
Trusts



**Christopher H. Smith**  
Logistics



**Joseph F. Strength**  
Real Estate, Estates  
& Trusts, Business  
Transactions

“We are honored to see these outstanding attorneys recognized for excelling in their specific practice areas,” said HunterMaclean Managing Partner Brad Harmon. “Each of these individuals continually demonstrates the ideals that our firm proudly embodies.”

Georgia Trend’s Legal Elite is compiled by attorneys submitting their nominations through the publication’s website, and the listing is determined solely by attorneys’ votes. The complete Legal Elite issue can be found at [www.georgiatrend.com](http://www.georgiatrend.com).



### ABOUT HUNTERMACLEAN

With offices in Savannah and Brunswick, HunterMaclean has far-reaching experience representing businesses and individuals in all areas of business litigation as well as in corporate, tax, real estate, health care, information technology, and logistics law. The firm’s clients include Fortune 500 companies, banks, hospitals, professional service organizations, nonprofits, and start-up ventures. For more information about HunterMaclean, call 912.236.0261 or visit [www.huntermaclean.com](http://www.huntermaclean.com)



# Hilton Head Island Bar Association Super CLE Renaissance Weekend

The Hilton Head Bar Association is offering a program for South Carolina CLE credits in February 2018. The cost is only \$100 for the entire two day session and includes catered breakfast and lunch both days, as well as a happy hour at the end of each day.

## **SUPER CLE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2018 BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND HAPPY HOUR HILTON HEAD COUNTRY CLUB**

\$100.00 (for non-members)

- 7:00 AM Breakfast (catered)
- 8:00 AM **Johnny Peace, Esq.** - ERISA and your Personal Injury Practice: Benefit Claims and Subrogation Issues
- 9:00 AM **Allen Freeman, Certified Divorce Financial Analyst** - divorce financial planning
- 10:00 AM **Harry Goldberg, Esq.** - mediation of medical malpractice cases
- 11:00 AM **Barbara Seymour, Esq.** - ethics
- 12:00 PM Lunch (catered)
- 1:00 PM **Henry Chalmers, Esq. & Rebecca Lunceford Kolb, Esq.** - Faster and more efficient arbitrations
- 2:00 PM **Gale DuBose, Esq.** - family court issues and answers
- 3:00 PM **Roger Tennyson** - guide to retirement benefits
- 4:00 PM **Brenda Stewart** - Using LinkedIn as a Professional & Organizational Tool without Violating the Rules of Professional Conduct
- 5:00 PM Happy Hour

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## **HHI BAR ASSOCIATION SUPER CLE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018 BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND HAPPY HOUR HILTON HEAD COUNTRY CLUB**

- 7:00 AM Breakfast (catered)
  - 8:00 AM **Judge Carmen Mullen** - (with possibly Judge Fuge) - Do's and Don'ts
  - 9:00 AM **George DuRant**
  - 10:00 AM **Judge Bob Armstrong** - Civility as it relates to the profession
  - 11:00 AM **Warren Moise, Esq.**
  - 12:00 PM Lunch (catered)
  - 1:00 PM **Desa Ballard, Esq.** - Ethics complaints
  - 2:00 PM **Kathleen Barnes, Esq.** - Appellate practice
  - 3:00 PM **Professor Stephen Spitz, Esq.** - "Spitz Time"
  - 4:00 PM **Justice George James** - How to enjoy happy hour (and other simple pleasures)
  - 5:00 PM Happy Hour
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## 2017 Admiral Harvey Weitz Boat Ride

Our annual SBA Admiral Harvey Weitz Boat Ride will take place Friday, April 27, 2018, down the Savannah River to Daufuskie Island and Harbor Town, S.C.

The boat 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.

We hope you can make it! The cost is \$15.00 for SBA members and \$20.00 for out of town lawyer guests - remember, you must have paid your 2017-2018 dues in full in order to board the boat!

Due to expenses associated with this event, refunds are not permitted. Please review the SBA Guest Policy carefully before registering. Specifically, a member may only bring guests who are practicing attorneys in locales other than Savannah/Chatham County. Per the SBA guest policy, non-attorney guests are not allowed on the boat ride. The SBA will open registration on its website some several weeks before the date of the boat ride.

*Please note that online registration paid via credit card is the only way to guarantee a spot on the Boat Ride. Walk-up registrations on the morning of the event are subject to availability.*

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## Now Open for Submissions

The Savannah Bar Association is always seeking content for upcoming editions of *The Citation*. Members are encouraged to submit:

- Your professional and personal announcements
- Law-related advertisements,
- Articles or announcements regarding your preferred philanthropies
- Other written submissions.

Suggestions for improving *The Citation* are also always welcome.

Finally, we love to receive photographs and video to share with our readers! Bear in mind that our readers include not only current SBA members, but also many judges and law school students.

Please contact us at [SBACitation@gmail.com](mailto:SBACitation@gmail.com) with submissions or inquiries.