

The Citation February



The Admiral Harvey Weitz Boat Ride

Our annual SBA 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 for SBA members and \$20 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.

GLSP to Offer TPO Training

If you are interested in getting the chance to get into court or simply learn of new developments in the area, Georgia Legal Services is offering the following CLE class. The office always has a need for attorneys willing to handle TPO cases. We work closely with SAFE Shelter to make sure all their clients have access to attorneys for the hearings. This is a particularly meaningful way to provide Pro Bono services. If you are interested in attending, please contact Ruth Ann Dutton at 912-651-2283 ext. 2184 or by emailing at rdutton@glsp.org.

Training: Temporary Protective Orders

Date: April 13th

Time: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Location: GLSP Conference Room 6602 Abercorn Street, Suite 203 Savannah 31405

*CLE's (pending approval) 1 CLE in Ethics 1 CLE in Professionalism

1 CLE in Trial



2018 SBA Scholarship Guidelines

The **Savannah Bar Association** undertakes to award scholarships to deserving students each year. The 2018 guidelines for the scholarships are as follows:

Judge Eugene H. Gadsden Scholarship:

The Judge Eugene H. Gadsden Memorial Scholarship was established by the Savannah Bar Association in tribute to the memory and legacy of Judge Gadsden as an outstanding community leader known for his character, integrity, and compassion. His fairness, patience, and wisdom served as an inspiration not only to all lawyers and judges but also the community at large. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist a graduating senior from a high school in Savannah in attending an accredited college or university. The award is based on merit, and it provides an annual amount of \$1,000 for four years. The award may be used for tuition and fees, books, and other academic expenses. All applicants who have applied for or will be receiving other financial support must reveal that information and include it with the application. Applicants must meet entrance requirements of the institution and maintain grades in keeping with the standards of the Hope Scholarship.

Applications for the Judge Eugene H. Gadsden Scholarship must be obtained from the high school's guidance counselor.

Judge Phyllis Kravitch Scholarship:

The Judge Phyllis Kravitch Scholarship is established by the Savannah Bar Association in tribute to this outstanding community leader known for her character, integrity, and compassion. The fairness, patience, and wisdom of Judge Kravitch serve as an inspiration not only to all lawyers and judges but also the community at large. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist a rising second or third-year law school student from Chatham County in continuing his/her education at an accredited school of law. The scholarship award of \$1,000 is given to one student based on merit for the second or third year of study in law school. A second-year law student who receives an award may apply for an additional award for his/her third year. The award granted may be used for tuition and fees, books, and other academic expenses. All applicants who have applied for or will be receiving other financial support must reveal that information with the application. The scholarship award will be sent to the law school for the recipient's account.

Applications for the Judge Phyllis Kravitch Scholarship may be found on the SBA Website.

All completed applications must be received by noon on Friday, March 30, 2018

For your convenience, Scholarship information may also be found on the Scholarship Page within the SBA Website.

Catholic Lawyers Guild to Present Program featuring Dr. Roy Wesley

The Catholic Lawyers Guild and Catholic Charities of South Georgia will present a program entitled: "And Then They Came for Me". The program will feature Dr. Roy Wesley, a research cell and molecular biologist in Chicago, who will share excerpts from his upcoming memoir about his family's internment during World War II. He will concentrate on the plight of Japanese-American women and children held in internment centers in the United States. The program will be presented at Boland Hall, the Catholic Pastoral Center, 7:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 21.

For additional information and to RSVP contact the Catholic Charities office at 912.202.4058.



Heads in Helmets Charity

Personal Injury attorney Howard Spiva has made it his mission to support children at risk of traumatic brain injury. His firm, Spiva Law Group, has partnered with The Justice For Children Foundation by establishing the Heads in Helmets charity, which provides bicycle helmets to children in order to protect and prevent children from life-altering brain injuries. We were honored to work with Howard and the foundation on their Brand Video and are truly inspired by the work the foundation does.

Learn more about their incredible cause here: https://www.facebook.com/CrispVideoGroup/videos/1733830999991657/

GLSP Pro Bono Awards Luncheon

Georgia Legal Services Program hosted its annual Pro Bono Awards Luncheon on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at the Savannah Golf Club. The purpose of this event is to recognize 53 private attorneys who assisted low-income Georgians with 262 legal matters on a Pro Bono basis in 2017.

These attorneys assisted with a wide array of civil legal matters ranging from helping victims of domestic violence obtain Temporary Protective Orders to preparing wills for the elderly.

This exciting event featured keynote speaker and honored guest The Honorable Catherine M. Salinas of the United States Magistrate Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

Special awards were presented to attorneys Robert B. Brannen, Jr., Kristin Cerbone and Francesca Rehal in recognition of their representation of low-income Georgians.









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Barrett & Farahany Opens New Savannah Office



In January 2018, Barrett & Farahany partnered with attorney Charles Herman to open a new office location in downtown Savannah. Barrett & Farahany's employment attorneys specialize in wrongful termination, defamation of character/libel, medical leave and FMLA, discrimination, overtime and wage dispute, executive compensation, and sexual harassment cases.

For nearly 20 years, Barrett & Farahany has served the Greater Atlanta area and clients throughout the State of Georgia with proven success representing individuals in employment claims. The new Savannah Office will carry on that tradition representing employees from all walks of life, from the C-level executive to the blue-collar worker, throughout Southern Georgia.

Judge Amy Coney Barrett to Deliver Hesburgh Lecture

The Notre Dame Club of Savanah and the Catholic Lawyers Guild will host Amy Coney Barrett, recently confirmed United States Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, on Thursday, October 18. She will deliver the Hesburgh Lecture in Boland Hall at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 2170 E. Victory Drive. All members of bench and bar will be invited to attend and more information will be forthcoming.

Barrett taught in the areas of federal courts, constitutional law, and statutory interpretation at Notre Dame Law School. She is a former law clerk for Judge Laurence H. Silberman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for the late Justice Antonin Scalia. She has served as visiting associate professor at both George Washington School of Law and at the University of Virginia.



Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Man and Woman of the Year Campaign

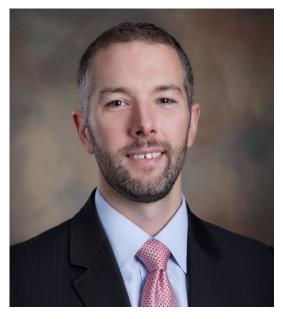
For those who do not know me, my name is Zach Thomas and I have practiced at Bergen & Bergen, P.C. for the past 10 years. I am excited and honored to be a 2018 candidate for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Man and Woman of the Year Campaign. From now until April 13th, I am raising critical funding to support LLS in the fight against blood cancer. It is a privilege to have fellow attorneys Bobo Mullens, Colby Longley, Beth Longley, and John Harper on my fundraising team. At the end of the campaign, the male and female candidates who raise the most have the honor of being named LLS Man and Woman of the Year.

LLS is an amazing non-profit organization that provides direct funding for cancer treatment research, patient services, education and advocacy. For example:

- Last year alone, LLS funded, in part, 10 of the 18 blood cancer treatments approved by the FDA.
- LLS is currently running its own clinical trial, "BeatAML", targeting treatments for Acute Myeloid Leukemia, which has one of the highest mortality rates.
- Since 2000, 40% of cancer treatments began as blood cancer treatment research. Thus, your donation supports the fight against all cancers.

As one of the few attorneys to ever be a candidate, I hope the legal community will join together to support my team in this campaign. The mission of LLS is to "make someday today." With your help, we can make that mission a reality! You can support us with a tax deductible donation at, or you can mail a check payable to "LLS" to Zach Thomas, .

Thank you for any support you can provide in the fight against blood cancer! And, thank you to my fellow colleagues who have already contributed.



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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 <u>SBACitation@gmail.com</u> with submissions or inquiries.



YLD Trivia Night

On Wednesday, February 21st, the Savannah YLD hosted its annual Trivia Night at the Savannah Taphouse. The event was made possible with the generous support of Queensborough Bank. Thank you to all who participated and helped make this a great event! Keep an eye out for further details regarding the Savannah YLD's upcoming March event. If you would like to receive emails from the YLD for information about its events and how to get involved, please contact Keri Martin at kmartin@wswgs.com or Sam Mikell at smikell@savagelawfirm.net