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SBA February Luncheon with Georgia Legal Services

The Pro Bono Committee of the Savannah Bar Association presented its program for the SBA luncheon on February 21st to honor local attorneys and organizations for their outstanding Pro Bono work. Francesca Rehal, Julia Sullivan, and the Savannah Morning News took home awards for their service in 2018. Rick Rufolo, the new Executive Director of Georgia Legal Services Program (GLSP), addressed membership about his vision for GLSP. He strongly emphasized the importance of the Pro Bono partnership between the Savannah Bar and GLSP.

GLSP also presented its program-wide Champions of Justice Awards to Chatham County Superior Court Judge James F. Bass Jr., Dolly Chisholm, Chatham County Juvenile Court Judge Lisa Goldwire Colbert, Patrick O'Connor, and Mark Schaefer.



Back row: Amanda Webb, Rick Rufolo (Executive Director GLSP), William K. Broker, Laura Thompson, Robert Bush, Alison Slagowitz, and Allen Kowalczyk

Front row: Julia Sullivan (Chair of SBA Pro Bono Committee), Terrica Redfield Ganzy (Board President of GLSP), Wanda Andrews, Ruth Ann Dutton, and Matthew Brigman



Admiral Harvey Weitz Boat Ride - April 5th

Save the date and mark your calendars for Friday, April 5, 2019. Langston Bass is hard at work finalizing this year's Admiral Harvey Weitz SBA Boat Ride, and the Savannah Bar Association encourages everyone to come out and enjoy the day. Notices with instructions about registering for the 2019 Admiral Harvey Weitz SBA Boat Ride will be coming to your email inbox soon.

Georgia Association of Women Lawyers Wine Tasting - March 7th

Join the Savannah Chapter of the Georgia Association of Women Lawyers at Savannah Wine Cellars on March 7, 2019, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm for a Wine Tasting to benefit the GAWL Foundation. Tickets are \$25.00 at the door, or pre-register and save \$5 here: <https://www.savannahwinecellar.com/events/i531501508>.

Your ticket includes 6 wines paired with appetizers. If you need more information, email us at savannahgawl@gmail.com. All are welcome, and we look forward to seeing you there.

HunterMaclean Attorneys to Speak on Coastal Issues & Shoreline Management - March 7th and 8th

The Seminar Group is hosting a conference in Savannah on March 7th and 8th entitled Coastal Issues & Shoreline Management in the Southeast, and HunterMaclean is pleased to be involved with the two-day experience. HunterMaclean partner Drew Ernst will serve as program co-chairman and presenter. Attorneys Lane Johnson and Zach Harris will also present. The program will offer a wide-ranging discussion of legal and practical issues encountered by coastal users, regulators, and special interest groups invested in the southeastern coast.

Savannah Bar Association Nominations - by March 15th

Pursuant to our Savannah Bar Association, Inc. By-laws, Article VII, section 7.03, nominations for the positions of President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer for the 2019-2020 bar year may be made in writing to any of the following members of the Nominating Committee during the period from March 1 to March 15, 2019:

Leesa Bohler lbohler@mcd-r-law.com
Maggie Puccini MPuccini@bouhan.com
Philip Thompson pthompson@epra-law.com

The Nominating Committee will meet no later than April 1, 2019 and will recommend a slate of candidates for election at the May 2, 2019 annual meeting luncheon.



Seeking Food Donations!

The Social Apostolate of Savannah works, in part, to feed the homeless and those with the inability to buy groceries. The following food items are in greatly needed:

- Canned meats such as tuna, chicken, beef stew, corned beef hash, etc.;
- Spaghetti sauce and pasta noodles; and
- Peanut butter and jelly.

These items can be dropped off at the Social Apostolate of Savannah at 502 East Liberty Street. Any donations would be greatly appreciated, thank you in advance!

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Support Foster Children in Chatham County

Guardian ad Litem are attorneys appointed by the Chatham County Juvenile Court to investigate the circumstances of children alleged to be dependent and children alleged to be delinquent. Those investigations take GALs into the homes, schools, and communities in these children's worlds. GALs are up close and personal witnesses to the circumstances the children find themselves in.

In the fall of 2018, a group of attorneys sat discussing the circumstances and needs of children in the Court. Many come into the Court lacking basic necessities such as clothing, underwear, uniforms, toiletries, etc. Additionally, Christmas was approaching and there was additional need and more determination to make a difference in the lives of these children. The Guardian ad Litem attorneys came up with a solution, Guardian ad Litem Angels in Action (GALAA).

Juvenile Bar Association co-Chair Kathy Davis drafted the documentation to found a nonprofit and the ball got rolling. The Juvenile Bar, the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs), and the community quickly embraced the concept. Over 150 children received clothing and gifts this past Christmas. GALAA has not stopped there. With community assistance, GALAA provides everything from clothes and toiletries to beds and bedding to funds for soccer, dance, or art classes. GALAA owes many thanks to Cool Savannah Tours and Gifts and Slender in Savannah, as well as countless others, for making these things possible. GALAA is in the process of obtaining 501(c)(3) status.

You can support GALAAs efforts by attending a yoga fundraiser at Savannah Yoga Barre on March 2, at 2:30 or by attending a silent auction fundraiser on March 28, at Haint Blue Studios on Wilmington Island from 5 pm to 8 pm. You may make a direct contribution on the website at <https://bit.ly/2Eoyho7>. For more information, contact Kathy Davis at 912-421-9910, Charlotte Fleming at 912-227-2012, and Irene Serlis at 619-981-0378.

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Randall A. Jordan Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean is pleased to announce that Randall A. Jordan has recently joined the firm as a partner in the Litigation Practice Group.

Randy's practice focuses mainly on business litigation pertaining to transportation and logistics. With over thirty years of experience as a trial attorney, he has tried well over one hundred jury cases in state and federal courts throughout the United States. Randy has defended some of the country's largest railroads in a wide array of business and tort matters, including the defense of hundreds of asbestos and other toxic exposure claims. Mr. Jordan is also a frequent speaker to groups across the country on issues facing the transportation and logistics industries.

"Randy is recognized throughout the southeastern United States for his invaluable knowledge and experience," said HunterMaclean Managing Partner Brad Harmon. "His addition to HunterMaclean will be an asset to our firm and clients."

He has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America © for the past seven years and recognized as a Super Lawyer within the State of Georgia. He is also AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell.



Randall A. Jordan

Randy received a Bachelor of Arts from Duke University and graduated from Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law. He is a member of the Brunswick Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the State Bar of Georgia, the National Association of Railroad Trail Counsel, and the Defense Research Institute.

Law Office for Rent

Law office/condo for lease. First floor at 427 East York St. 2148 square feet with metered parking on York Street. Includes 1 car garage through adjacent garden area. Entrance has beautiful entry way leading to large commons area with ability to subdivide into small sub-office space. Three large private offices/conference area, utility room for copiers,& files cabinets, 2 bathrooms, kitchen area.

Contact Denise Nokes 814-341-1906 or denisenokes041@gmail.com.



HunterMaclean Critical Issues Forum Focuses on The Economic Impact of Higher Education

The HunterMaclean Critical Issues Forum is an annual speaker series launched in 2004 that invites speakers to address an issue of importance to the community.

The 2019 Critical Issues Forum on The Economic Impact of Higher Education took place on Wednesday, January 30th at the Savannah Golf Club. An audience of 130 local business and community leaders heard from four presidents of regional universities and colleges about the impact higher education has on our local economy. Following welcome remarks from HunterMaclean's Managing Partner Brad Harmon, University System of Georgia Board of Regents Chairman and Waters Capital Partners LLC CEO Don Waters provided the audience with an update on the Georgia Board of Regents and university system.

Mr. Waters also served as moderator of the event which featured a panel including Dr. Cheryl Dozier, President of Savannah State University; Dr. Michelle R. Johnston, President of Coastal College of Georgia; Dr. Kathy Love, President of Savannah Technical College; and Shelley Nickel, Interim President of Georgia Southern University.



"We are honored to have such a distinguished and knowledgeable panel as part of our annual Critical Issues Forum," said Harmon. "We also appreciate Don Waters serving as moderator on an industry topic where he's made a tremendous impact. Don has played an instrumental role in leading our state's Board of Regents and ensuring these universities have the tools in place to further educate and inspire many."



Bouhan Falligant Names Melanie Marks Managing Partner

Bouhan Falligant recently announced it has named Melanie L. Marks as Managing Partner of the firm. She is the first female attorney to lead the full-service Georgia law firm that has been in Savannah for over 135 years.

Marks practices in the areas of estate planning, estate and trust administration, elder law and real estate law. She is authorized to practice in the United States Tax Court and the United States Supreme Court, in addition to all State of Georgia Courts.

Earning both her law degree and her undergraduate degree from the University of Georgia, Marks has spent her entire legal career with the firm. She is member of the State Bar of Georgia, the Savannah Bar Association, member and former president of the Savannah Estate Planning Council, former chairman of the Board for Goodwill Industries of the Coastal Empire, former board member of the Savannah Community Foundation, Inc., a graduate of Leadership Savannah, and a member of Savannah Rotary.



Melanie L. Marks

State Bar Elections: Savannah Bar Members Running

Did you know we have several Savannah Bar Association members running for officer and Board of Governors (BOG) positions with the State Bar of Georgia? We encourage you to make your voice heard in this election, as the mandatory State Bar sets policy that impacts all of us across the state. Ballots will be mailed Monday, March 25, and voting (online or by mail) concludes on April 26 at 11:59 p.m.

Below are the Savannah Bar members running -- whether opposed or unopposed. We applaud their interest in Bar governance.

OFFICER – running opposed

Secretary

Sarah B. (Sally) Akins

Ellis, Painter, Ratterree & Adams

BOARD OF GOVERNORS – running unopposed:

Eastern Circuit, Post 2

Lester B. Johnson, III – *Lester B. Johnson, III, P.C.*

Eastern Circuit, Post 4

John B. Manly – *Manly Shipley LLP*



Three Lawyers Named Partner at Oliver Maner

Larry Evans, Ben Lingle, and Bryan Schivera have all been named partner at Oliver Maner LLP, one of Georgia's highest-rated law firms based in Savannah, Ga., and founded in 1897.

"Our firm congratulates each of the lawyers recently promoted to partner," said Oliver Maner Managing Partner Patrick O'Connor. "Not only do they offer a high level of expertise and experience to the firm and its clients, but they demonstrate our core values of service and excellence in their practices."

Evans, who practices in Oliver Maner's litigation section, has extensive experience in the areas of commercial litigation, construction litigation, financial services litigation, and creditor's rights. He has been selected as a "Rising Star" in the area of commercial litigation in Georgia by the publication Super Lawyers and earned his Juris Doctor degree, cum laude, from the University of Georgia School of Law in 2008.

Lingle, also in the firm's litigation section, concentrates his practice in the areas of medical malpractice defense, plaintiff's personal injury, wrongful death litigation, and general civil litigation. He has been selected as a "Rising Star" in the area of general litigation (defense) in Georgia, by the publication Super Lawyers. He received his Juris Doctor from the University of Florida Levin College of Law in 2011, graduating cum laude, and served as an executive editor of the Florida Law Review.

Schivera focuses on business, tax and estate law. He graduated in 2011 from the University of Georgia School of Law, where he served on the editorial board of the Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law. Schivera was also selected as a "Rising Star" in the area of Closely Held Business in Georgia by the publication Super Lawyers in 2018 and 2019.



Larry Evans



Ben Lingle



Brian Schivera



2019 Georgia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

Many Savannah area attorneys were recently recognized as 2019 Georgia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars. The Georgia Super Lawyer recognition is awarded annually to the top five percent of attorneys in the state. The honor is based on independent research, peer review and professional achievement.

The following attorneys were named 2019 Georgia Super Lawyers:

Bouhan Falligant

Todd M Baiad - *Transportation/Maritime; Business Litigation*

Glen M. Darbyshire - *Personal Injury-Products; Business Litigation; Personal Injury-General*

Leamon R. Holliday, III - *Schools & Education; Business Litigation; Employment & Labor*

Kathleen Horne - *Bankruptcy; Business Litigation; Business-Corporate; Top 50 Women*

Carlton E. Joyce - *Personal Injury-Medical Malpractice; Aviation & Aerospace; Personal Injury-General*

Dennis B. Keene - *Personal Injury-Products; Transportation/Maritime; Alternative Dispute Resolution*

Heather Lundy - *Real Estate*

Margaret "Maggie" W. S. Puccini - *Bankruptcy; Const. Litigation; Creditor Debtor Rights; Business Litigation; Civil Litigation*

Frank "Sonny" Seiler - *Personal Injury-General; Family Law; Personal Injury-Medical Malpractice*

Harris Penn Manton

Jeff Harris - *Personal Injury-General*

Steve Lowry - *Personal Injury-General*

William L. Ballard - *Personal Injury-Medical Malpractice*

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T. Mills Fleming - *Health Care*

Bradley M. Harmon - *Business Litigation*

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

Shawn A. Kachmar - *Employment Litigation*

Sarah H. Lamar - *Employment & Labor*

Frank S. Macgill - *Taxation*

Kirby G. Mason - *Medical Malpractice*

Colin A. McRae - *Transportation/Maritime*

Christopher W. Phillips - *Construction Litigation*

Harold B. Yellin - *Real Estate*

Arnold C. Young - *Civil Litigation*

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Sarah B. Akins - *General litigation defense, also named as one of the 2019 Georgia Top 50 Women Super Lawyers*

Tracy C. O'Connell -

Jason C. Pedigo - *Business Litigation*

Edward M. Hughes - *Civil litigation – defense; local government / municipal corporation law*

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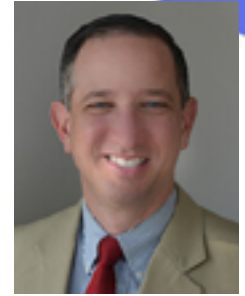
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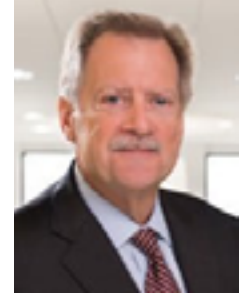
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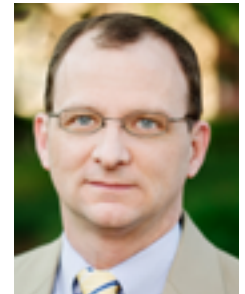
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The Rising Star award is presented to no more than 2.5 percent of lawyers in the state who meet the same criteria as Super Lawyers. Rising Stars are either 40 years old or younger or have been in practice 10 or fewer years.

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Andrew H. Dekle - *Civil Litigation; Bankruptcy; final Employment & Labor; Appellate; Schools & Education*

Gregory G. Sewell - *Personal Injury-Medical Malpractice; Business Litigation; General Litigation*

Harris Penn Manton

Andrew J. Conn - *Personal Injury Products*

Kristy S. Davies - *Personal Injury General*

Yvonne S. Godfrey - *Personal Injury-Medical Malpractice*

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Rebecca F. Clarkson - *Business/Corporate*

Daniel R. Crook - *Real Estate*

Rachel Young Fields - *Business Litigation*

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Center for Conflict Management Summer Institute

Kennesaw State University's School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development and The Center for Conflict Management will be holding their Summer Institute in Savannah, GA June 16-21, 2019!

Early Bird Registration ends on April 1, 2019. General registration ends May 15, 2019. Hotel group-rate reservation deadline is April 15, 2019.

Please contact us with any questions:

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SUMMER INSTITUTE
FOR CONFLICT MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALS

WORKSHOPS

28-Hour General Mediation Training
Monday, June 17 - Thursday, June 20, 2019

Restorative Justice Practices
Monday, June 17 - Thursday, June 20, 2019

Ombuds Workshops
Wednesday, June 19 - Friday, June 21, 2019

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Professionals, Practitioners, and Scholars in:

- Mediation
- K-12 education
- Higher education
- Social work
- Counseling
- Legal and courts
- Restorative practices

Anyone who could benefit by learning conflict management skills in these rich, interactive sessions.

SCHEDULE AND PRICING

Workshop	Trainer / Leader	Early Bird / After 4/1/19	Dates
Mediation	Susan Raines, Ph.D.	\$800 / \$1000	6/17-6/20
Restorative	John Lash, MSCM	\$675 / \$875	6/17-6/20
Ombuds	Timothy Hooten, Ph.D.	W-Th: \$295 / Fri: \$50	6/19-6/21

HOTEL RESERVATIONS
Participants will be responsible for booking their hotel stay during the Summer Institute for June 16 to June 20, 2019 using Kennesaw State University's discounted rate.

JUNE 17-21, 2019 SAVANNAH, GA
Discounted KSU Hotel rates available June 16-20

REGISTER TODAY
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Deadline May 15, 2019

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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 with submissions or inquiries.