



The Citation

SBA Celebrates Annual Cocktail Party

On June 17, 2021, the Savannah Bar Association held its annual cocktail party at the Charles H. Morris Center at Trustees' Garden. Outgoing SBA President Blake Greco thanked the 2020-2021 officers for their hard work during the COVID-19 pandemic and introduced the following new officers for 2021-2022, who were sworn in by Judge Timothy R. Walmsley of the Superior Court of Chatham County:



President: Colby Edward Longley
President-Elect: K. Paul Johnson
Secretary: Richard A. Sanders, Jr.
Treasurer: Leslie Cecil Keene

After the officers were sworn in, scholarships were awarded. Matthew Mills of the Office of the U.S. Trustee presented the Judge Eugene Gadsden Scholarship to Ava Burr and the Judge Phyllis Kravitch Scholarship to Kate Daly.

Finally, the Judge Frank S. Cheatham, Jr. Professionalism Award was presented. This award is presented annually to the attorney within our legal community who best exemplifies professionalism in the manner in which he or she engages clients and other members of the profession and the community as a whole. The 2021 recipient of the Cheatham Award was Judge Hermann W. Coolidge, Jr., formerly of the State Court of Chatham County, who was introduced by his beloved wife Kathleen Aderhold Coolidge.

Thanks to all SBA members for a successful 2020-2021 year.



Colby Longley and Paul Johnson



Richard Sanders and Leslie Keene



Blake Greco



Judge Walmsley



Colby Longley



Kate Daly and Matt Mills



Judge Hermann Coolidge



Kathleen Coolidge and Judge Hermann Coolidge



Attorney Cenk “Jack” Erkal Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and St. Simons Island, recently welcomed Cenk “Jack” Erkal as an associate focusing on estate planning and taxation.

Jack previously assisted in the representation of high-net-worth individuals and businesses with their tax disputes against the Internal Revenue Service. He also has corporate tax experience working as a tax analyst.

Jack graduated in 2014, magna cum laude, from Georgia State University with a B.A. in International Relations and earned his J.D. in 2020 from Georgia State University College of Law. During law school, he was a student attorney for the Philip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic and a member of the Business Law Society. Jack also earned an LL.M. in Taxation from the University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law in 2021.



Jack Erkal

Attorney Clint A. Guillebeau Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and St. Simons Island, recently welcomed Clint A. Guillebeau as an associate in the firm’s Real Estate Group.

Clint’s practice focuses on affordable housing and financing utilizing Low-Income Housing Tax Credits as well as a multitude of federal and state subsidized financing sources. He also has experience with general commercial real estate and commercial transactions.

Clint graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.A. in Political Science and earned his J.D. in 2018 from the University of Georgia School of Law. During law school, he served as a Dean’s Ambassador, an editorial board member for the Journal of Intellectual Property Law, and vice president of the Business Law Society.



Clint A. Guillebeau

As an active member of the community, Clint has volunteered with multiple organizations including Habitat for Humanity, Morningside Assisted Living, the Great American Cleanup, and the Satilla River Cleanup.

Clint is originally from St. Marys, Georgia.



Attorney Sarah J. Sarb Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and St. Simons Island, recently welcomed Sarah J. Sarb as an associate focusing on corporate law and business transactions.

Sarah graduated magna cum laude from Wofford College with a B.A. in Business and Economics and earned her J.D. in 2020 from the Emory University School of Law. During law school, she was a Merit Scholar in the Transactional Law Certificate Program. She also completed a legal internship with Home Depot, a legal externship with the GE Energy Program, and a summer associateship with HunterMaclean.

Sarah is an active member of several professional organizations including the Georgia Association for Women Lawyers and the Young Lawyers Division of the Savannah Bar Association.



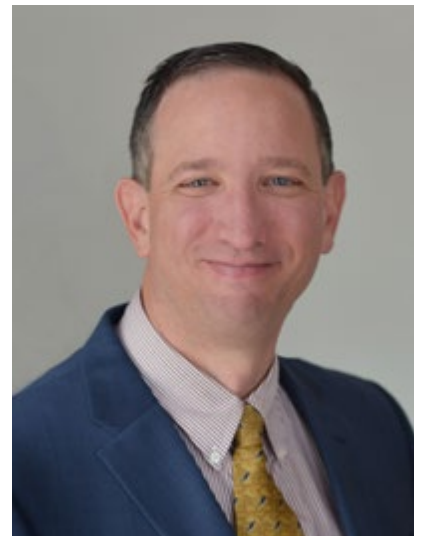
Sarah J. Sarb

Bouhan Falligant Partner Dennis Keene Named to Georgia Motor Trucking Association Board of Directors

Bouhan Falligant's partner, Dennis Keene, was recently named to the Georgia Motor Trucking Association's Board of Directors at the organization's annual meeting.

The Georgia Motor Trucking Association (GMTA) is the only organization in the state that provides full-time service and representation for the trucking industry. The Association serves as the "voice" of the trucking industry in Georgia, representing for-hire carriers, private carriers, and affiliate members. Since the organization's founding in 1933, the association has continued to work in making Georgia the best state in the nation in which to base and operate a trucking company.

"The GMTA is the organization in our state whose sole mission is to support the work of the trucking industry and all the companies affected by this vital economic arm of our state," according to Dennis Keene. "I have been involved with the association for many years and now look forward to assisting in shaping policy that not only protects trucking companies' legal rights but also impacts the entire transportation industry. It is an honor to serve in this capacity."



Dennis Keene



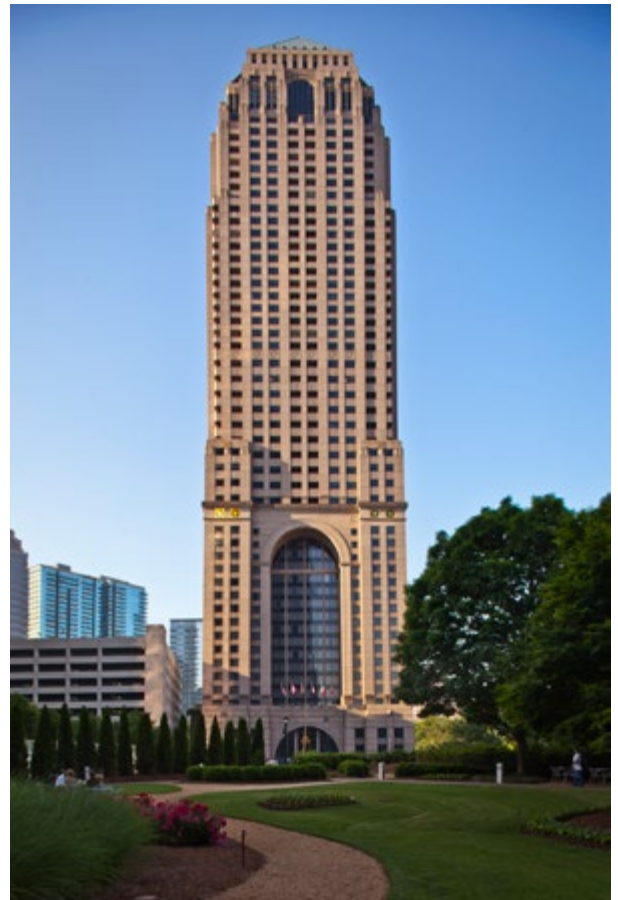
The Manely Firm Relocates Atlanta Office

The Manely Firm, P.C. is excited to announce the opening of our newly relocated Atlanta Office. You can now find us in the Four Seasons Hotel in Midtown Atlanta. The Manely Firm proudly practices family law throughout the state of Georgia and has the unique expertise of handling international family law cases all over the world. The firm also has attorneys that specialize in estate planning and probate needs. The Manely Firm has offices located in Atlanta, Marietta, Lawrenceville and Savannah, now with nine attorneys fluent in a combined seven languages to serve clients.

Our Atlanta Office is officially located at 75 14th Street NE Suite 2300 Atlanta, Georgia 30309. The new space proudly boasts large meeting rooms and offices prepared to accommodate meetings, mediations and depositions. Two beautiful balconies accent our large conference room and will serve as highlights when hosting special in-office events. Also, our main conference room is prepped with the most up-to-date technology to accommodate our international clients or those that prefer to meet via video. Close accessibility to Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport is also a huge benefit for our clients traveling abroad for legal needs.

Founding Attorney Michael Manely says, “We have been preparing for the Atlanta relocation for quite some time and are pleased to serve our Atlanta and international clients with accessibility and convenience in the center of the city in such a magnificent setting.”

The Atlanta office page the firm website is available at <https://www.allfamilylaw.com/atlanta-georgia-and-international-family-law-attorneys-office/>.





Clients Praise the Work of Pro Bono Attorneys

Pro bono attorneys make a difference in the lives of the people they represent. Everyday, volunteer attorneys help tenants remain in their homes, assist survivors of domestic violence in getting protective orders, and draft wills for homeowners. Read what clients are saying about GLSP pro bono attorneys in the Savannah region:

“[I’m] applying for assistance with property repair through the City of Savannah, and [a will] is required. [My attorney was] friendly, responsive, attentive, and quick yet thorough. [This] helped for the future.”

– 47-year-old Chatham County resident
who received assistance with a will

“I needed a will. [They] were very helpful. I thank everyone for the help.”

– 70-year-old Chatham County resident
who received assistance with a will

“I was very satisfied. He was real helpful with my case. I was in a bad relationship and needed help in keeping him away from me. The legal help I received took a lot of stress off of me. I might not have gone through the process if it was not for the help I received.”

– 36-year-old Bulloch County resident who
was represented in a protective order hearing

For more information about the GLSP Pro Bono Project or to volunteer, sign up on-line at https://survey.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8GJefBX7d2EmP7U or contact Sarah J. Anderson, Pro Bono Project Staff Attorney, at (912) 651-2283, ext. 2184 or sjanderson@glsp.org.



Georgia Legal Services Program is a 501(c)3 nonprofit law firm.
We provide free, civil legal services to low-income or senior-aged Georgians outside of Atlanta.



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.