

The Citation

Awards Presented at SBA Luncheon

The Savannah Bar Association held its first luncheon of the 2020-2021 year on November 19 at the Savannah Golf Club. At the luncheon, the Frank S. Cheatham Jr. award for professionalism was presented to the family of the late Frederick W. "Fred" Kramer, III. A native Savannahian, Fred served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia for over 36 years, during which time he exemplified the highest standards of legal professionalism. He passed away on June 26, 2020. The award was presented by United States District Judge William T. Moore, Jr., recipient of the 2019 award.

Additionally, YLD President Samuel L. Mikell belatedly presented awards in honor of Law Day, which is held on May 1 of each year to celebrate the role of law in our society and to cultivate a deeper understanding of the legal profession. The Law Day 2020 theme was "Your Vote, Your Voice, Our Democracy: The 19th Amendment at 100." The YLD was

honored to present the following awards:

Judge Edward Hester Award: Angela Hollinger

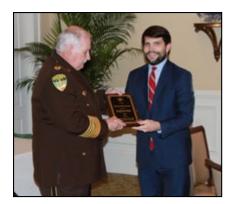
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Robbie Robinson Award: Amy Lee Copeland

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YLD Holds Happy Hours

The Savannah Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division held its first two happy hours since the onset of the coronavirus pandemic. The first, held on October 29 at the new Electric Moon Skytop Lounge at Plant Riverside District, was sponsored by the Dozier Law Firm. The second, held on November 19 at Abe's on Lincoln, was sponsored by Gilbert & Jones Court Reporting Services. Thanks to our sponsors and to all who attended!

The Savannah YLD provides opportunities for young lawyers to socialize and network, meet members of "the Big Bar" (the Savannah Bar Association), participate in community service projects, and become involved with the State YLD. Any local attorney under the age of 35, or who has been admitted to practice fewer than 5 years, is invited to join. To do so, please complete and return the following form, along with your check, to Ellis Allen at the address below. If you have any questions, please contact Ellis at (912) 232-6700 or eallen@brennanwasden.com. Yearly dues are \$60.00 for each private sector lawyer and \$30.00 for each public sector lawyer, including judicial clerks.

Ellis Allen Brennan, Wasden & Painter LLC P.O. Box 8047 Savannah, Georgia 31412











Access to Justice and Opportunities Out of Poverty

Virtual Domestic Violence Training for Legal Advocates

Tuesday, December 8, 2020 9:30am to 12:00 noon

This training will cover the procedures for filling out and filing all forms and pleadings necessary for the presentation of Family Violence Act petitions to the court pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-13-3(d). Training also includes information on procedures to refer and accept cases and requirements for legal representation.

Join Zoom meeting:

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To register please contact Viveca Sibley at <u>vsibley@glsp.org</u> or (470) 400-5892

Deadline to register is Tuesday, December 1, 2020.



GLSP Thanks Volunteer Attorneys

On behalf of Georgia Legal Services Program, we want to thank the following attorneys for volunteering their legal services to the Pro Bono Project in the third quarter of 2020. With the help of these volunteers, we were able to serve 36 people who might not otherwise have received assistance. We are fortunate to have an outstanding group of lawyers in our community who are willing to give their time and expertise to help those in need. We truly appreciate your contribution to serving those who otherwise cannot afford legal services.

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"And Justice for All" State Bar Campaign for GLSP

Special thanks to all of those who have contributed to the annual State Bar Campaign for Georgia Legal Services. Not only does each dollar raised locally support the work of the Savannah Office, but funds raised from local members of the bench and bar boost the efforts of the local office to raise additional funds. The campaign began 4.1.19 and the results below reflect all gifts made through 10.19.20. A total of \$20,860.50 (a 10% increase over last year) has been raised during the 2020 campaign. Thanks to all who contributed.

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GLSP Attorney Appointed to Judicial Council's Ad Hoc Committee

Georgia Legal Services Program-Savannah Regional Office is pleased to announce that Sarah J. Anderson has been appointed to the Judicial Council's Ad Hoc Committee on Improving Community Access to Legal Resources (CALER). Created by Chief Justice Harold D. Melton, the Committee's goal is to improve Georgians' access to legal resources in our judicial system by enhancing our state-wide law library system.

Ms. Anderson is the Pro Bono Project Staff Attorney for the Savannah region. Her primary responsibility is to build and maintain the Pro Bono Record Restriction Statewide Signature Project and promote the delivery of high-quality legal services by local volunteer lawyers, law students, paralegals, and other professionals in coordination with GLSP attorneys and staff. She can be contacted at <a href="maintain-signature-sign



Bouhan Falligant Honored with Seven First-Tier Rankings in 2021 Edition of U.S. News - Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms" ®

Bouhan Falligant was recently recognized by the 2021 edition of U.S. News-Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms" with prestigious first-tier rankings in seven practice areas: Commercial Litigation; Elder Law; Litigation-Real Estate; Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants; Product Liability Litigation-Defendants; Professional Malpractice Law-Defendants; Real Estate Law. The final rankings are published on the U.S. News website.

Firms honored with a first-tier "Best Law Firms" ranking are selected based on a rigorous evaluation process that includes the collection of client and lawyer evaluations, peer review from leading attorneys in their field, and review of additional information provided by law firms as part of the formal submission process.

In addition, Bouhan Falligant was also recognized nationally for the firm's work in Corporate Law; Education Law; Insurance Law and Medical Malpractice Law-Defendants.



HunterMaclean Honored with Eleven First-Tier Rankings in U.S. News – Best Lawyers® 2021 "Best Law Firms"

HunterMaclean, a business law firm with offices in Savannah and St. Simons Island, was honored to be recognized with eleven first-tier rankings in the 2021 edition of U.S. News – Best Lawyers® "Best Law Firms." The complete list of rankings is published on the U.S. News website.

First published in 1983, Best Lawyers is recognized as one of the oldest and most esteemed peer review guides in the legal profession worldwide. Thousands of firms nationwide are considered through a detailed evaluation process before U.S. News and Best Lawyers make selections for a first-tier "Best Law Firms" ranking.

HunterMaclean received first-tier rankings in the following practice areas:

- Admiralty & Maritime Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law
- Corporate Law
- Insurance Law
- Litigation Construction
- Medical Malpractice Law Defendants
- Personal Injury Litigation Defendants
- Railroad/Transportation Law
- Real Estate Law
- Trusts & Estates Law

HunterMaclean also received rankings in Bet-the Company Litigation, Health Care Law, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, and Tax Law. In addition to these rankings, twenty-nine HunterMaclean attorneys were selected earlier this year for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America© 2021.

Best Lawyers is compiled based on extensive peer review evaluations from well-respected attorneys in similar practice areas, client and lawyer evaluations, and additional information included in the formal submission process. Reviews are based on several factors including expertise, integrity, responsiveness, understanding of a business and its needs, cost-effectiveness, civility, and the rate of referrals.



Oliver Maner Partner Andrew M. Wilkes Named to American Board of Trial Advocates

Oliver Maner, an award-winning law firm providing superior legal services since 1897, is pleased to announce Andrew M. Wilkes has been named to the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA).

ABOTA dedicates itself to the preservation and promotion of the Seventh Amendment, which guarantees the right to civil jury trials. Members in this prestigious invitation-only group must have tried a minimum of 10 civil jury trials to conclusion. More than 7,600 lawyers and judges are involved in ABOTA chapters in all 50 states.

"I am honored to join this worthy organization and work to support their mission to educate the American public about the history and value of the right to trial by jury," said Drew Wilkes, a partner at Oliver Maner. A Martindale Hubbell AV rated partner in the litigation section of the firm, Wilkes concentrates his practice in the areas of



Andrew M. Wilkes

trial practice including medical malpractice defense and family law. He routinely represents clients in jury and nonjury trials throughout the state courts in southeastern Georgia. Wilkes has been recognized by his peers with industry awards many times including Super Lawyers, Best Lawyers' Lawyer of the Year, Georgia Trend's Legal Elite, and others.

Lueder, Larkin & Hunter, LLC Seeking Associate Attorney

Lueder, Larkin & Hunter, LLC is seeking an associate attorney to join our insurance defense practice group in Savannah. Ideal candidate is licensed to practice law in Georgia, has a minimum of 1 to 3 of years of litigation experience, preferably handling personal injury, automobile, premises, and/or coverage issues. Salary commensurate with experience. Please contact Beverly O'Hearn (bohearn@luederlaw.com) for additional details.





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.