

# The Citation

# The Savannah Bar Association Presents: Virtual Hot Topic Seminar

October 9, 2020 VIRTUAL CLE WEBEX

8:20 – 8:30 a.m. Welcome by Chair

Brief Business Mtg SBA- Vote & Induct New SBA Members

by President Blake Greco

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Superior Court Hon. Penny H. Freesemann, Chief Judge Superior Court

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. State Court Hon. Gregory Sapp, Judge State Court

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Recorders Court Hon. Tammy Stokes, Chief Judge Recorders Court

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Magistrate Court Hon. Mary Kathryn Moss, Chief Judge Magistrate Court

10:45 – 11:15 a.m. Juvenile Court Hon. Lisa G. Colbert, Presiding

Hon. Thomas L. Cole, Judge Hon. Roxanne Formey, Judge TBA- Hon. Newest Judge

11:15 – 11:45 a.m. Probate Court Hon. Thomas Bordeaux, Chief Judge Probate Court

11:45 – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH BREAK

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Ethics Dennis Keene, Esq., Senior Partner, Bouhan Falligant

2:00 – 2:30 p.m. Mediation Jill Cheeks, Director Mediation Center

2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Webex Elizabeth Berenguer, Esq., Stetson Law School, Assoc. Prof.

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. BREAK

3:15 – 3:45 p.m. Practicing Law During Pandemic Michael Edwards, Esq.

Of Counsel, Cox, Rodman Middleton

3:45 – 4:15 p.m. Managing Stress - Health Trish Murphy, Esq., Director of Family Law Res. Ctr.

Adjourn

Mark Kelso, Chair | Richard Sanders, Co-chair | Committee: Jennifer Wittich, John Toner, Evan Miller, Joe Cronk





Date:

Time:

Friday, October 9, 2020

Welcome comments begin at 8:20 A.M.

#### SAVANNAH BAR ASSOCIATION VIRTUAL HOT TOPICS SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Program begins at 8:30 A.M.
Place: Virtual (Weblink to be provided)

Name (Print):

Georgia Bar No:

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Tuition: If you want the 6 hours of CLE credit, then you will be required to pay \$24.00

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PLEASE EITHER EMAIL OR MAIL THIS REGISTRATION FORM TO:

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#### Savage, Turner & Durham Firm Attorney Sam Mikell Named President of Young Lawyers Division of the Savannah Bar Association

The law firm of Savage, Turner, Durham, Pinckney & Savage is pleased to announce firm attorney Samuel L. Mikell was recently installed as the new President of the Young Lawyers Division (YLD) of the Savannah Bar Association for the 2020-2021 term. In this position, Mikell will oversee the organization's mission of enriching the lives of its members and the greater Savannah community by offering numerous fellowship and community service opportunities throughout the year.

Like all attorneys at the Savage, Turner & Durham firm, Mikell tries cases. He concentrates his practice in serious personal injury, catastrophic events at the port and other industrial sites, civil rights violations, and other complex civil cases.



Sam Mikell

"Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, I'm optimistic about YLD's future," said Mikell. "Although we had to cancel our traditional September kick-off event, we hope to resume safe events soon. Our October event is tentatively scheduled for October 29, 2020, at Electric Moon, the rooftop bar at the new Plant Riverside." Further, Mikell continued, "Please be on the lookout for information about

future social and charitable events hosted by Savannah YLD."

For more information about the Young Lawyers Division of the Savannah Bar Association, please visit <a href="https://">https://</a> www.savannahbar.org/young\_lawyers\_division.

#### Hunter Maclean Celebrates H. Mitchell Dunn Jr.

HunterMaclean's partners, associates, and staff sadly announce the loss of our friend and colleague, H. Mitchell Dunn, Jr., who passed away on Sunday, September 6, at the age of 89.

"Mitchell was the last surviving named partner of Hunter, Maclean, Exley & Dunn, P.C.," said managing partner Brad Harmon. "While we've lost a deeply important part of our history, Mitchell will live on in the wisdom and lessons he taught many of us, and in the fabric of our law firm, which he had such a large hand in crafting."

Mitchell earned his B.A. from the University of Virginia, served in the US Army, then earned his J.D. from the University of Georgia, and LL.M. from New York University. He then joined HunterMaclean, where he spent his entire legal career and practiced primarily in estates and trusts and as a tax attorney. He was a gifted counselor and a fierce advocate to countless clients.



H. Mitchell Dunn, Jr.

Professionally, Mitchell was affiliated with the American Bar Foundation (Fellow), the American College of Tax Counsel (Fellow), the Georgia Academy of Hospital Attorneys (Past President), the Southern Federal Tax Institute (Founding Trustee and Past President), and the Savannah Bar Association. Mitchell was also community



minded, serving in leadership roles with many nonprofits including the Georgia Infirmary, Savannah Benevolent Association, the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist, Hibernian Society of Savannah, Telfair Museum, Historic Savannah Foundation, Cashiers Historical Society, and the Southern Golf Association.

In every respect, Mitchell was a consummate attorney, a trusted advisor, and a thoughtful mentor. Although he followed his father Henry Dunn at the firm, Mitchell quickly forged his own path in leading HunterMaclean for close to 60 years to become what it is today. He genuinely cared about the firm and its people.

"I am both proud and grateful to have had Mitchell as a law partner," said John Tatum, HunterMaclean's managing partner from 1998 to 2010. "He was one of the finest gentlemen I have ever met, and I don't know a soul who doesn't hold him in the highest esteem. Mitchell was strong but kind and gentle and had a passion for serving people. He will be greatly missed."

Mitchell is survived by his wife Polly, daughters Elizabeth and Eleanor, three grandchildren, his sister Audrey, his brother Larry, and many nieces and nephews. While the sense of loss is great among all at HunterMaclean, we are honored to have been a part of Mitchell's very full life.

Godspeed, Mitchell Dunn.

#### Georgia Legal Services Program Announces New Board Member

Georgia Legal Services Program (GLSP) is pleased to announce the appointment of new board member, Julia Sullivan with The Sullivan Law Firm in Savannah, Georgia. Ms. Sullivan was appointed by the Savannah Bar Association.

GLSP Board of Directors is comprised of a dedicated team of attorneys, client advocates, and client members committed to our mission to provide civil legal services for persons with low incomes, creating equal access to justice, and opportunities out of poverty.

Julia Sullivan concentrates her practice in the areas of special education law, estate planning, and probate. Ms. Sullivan is actively involved in the Savannah Bar Association. She has served as the chair for the Pro Bono Committee of the Savannah Bar Association from 2016 to the present. In 2017, she received the H. Sol Clark award from the Access to Justice Committee of the State Bar of Georgia and the Pro Bono Resource Center. In 2019, she was awarded the Pro Bono Advocate Award by the Savannah office of the Georgia Legal Services Program.

#### Help Needed for TPO Petitioners

In this time of self-isolation and social distancing, there has been an increase in domestic violence. Where once survivors and children may have had some respite by going to work or school, isolation allows abusers more tactics to maintain control.

GLSP-Savannah Regional Office needs volunteer attorneys to represent TPO petitioners at second TPO hearings. We provide training, support, and malpractice insurance for cases you handle for us. For more information or to volunteer, contact Pro Bono Project Staff Attorney Sarah J. Anderson at <a href="mailto:sianderson@glsp.org">sianderson@glsp.org</a>.



# Harris Lowry Manton LLP Awards 2020 Civil Justice Scholarship to University of Georgia School of Law Student

Harris Lowry Manton LLP partners Steve Lowry and Jed Manton recently presented the law firm's third annual Civil Justice Scholarship to University of Georgia School of Law student Frances "Frankie" Brown via Zoom video conference due to the Coronavirus pandemic. The \$5,000 academic scholarship is designed to support aspiring attorneys who have a strong commitment to justice.

"In reviewing the record number of applications we received this year, Frankie's passion for the law and thoughtful essay about the right to trial by jury really stood out," said Jed Manton, an accomplished trial lawyer and partner at Harris Lowry Manton LLP. "We're delighted to have the opportunity to recognize Frankie's achievements and to invest in her future success as a trial lawyer by presenting her with the 2020 Harris Lowry Manton LLP Civil Justice Scholarship."

Originally from Albany, Ga., Brown earned a B.A. in Sociology and Criminology from Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw, Ga. before enrolling at the University of Georgia School of Law in Fall 2020. A first-year law school student with an interest in civil litigation, Brown was selected from a pool of nearly 150 scholarship applicants from across the country.

Brown worked as a paralegal for Anderson Dodson, P.C., an employment law firm in Athens, Ga., for the past two years and previously served as a paralegal intern at the Law Offices of Adam Cain in Athens, Ga. She plans to use the Harris Lowry Manton LLP Civil Justice Scholarship to help fund her first year of law school at the University of Georgia and to allocate more time to leadership and volunteer opportunities.

"Being selected as the recipient of this generous scholarship is such an incredible honor," Brown said. "I'm extremely grateful to the partners at Harris Lowry Manton LLP for helping me pursue my dream of becoming a civil litigator."



Photo: Harris Lowry Manton LLP partners Steve Lowry and Jed Manton recently presented University of Georgia School of Law student Frances "Frankie" Brown with the 2020 Harris Lowry Manton LLP Civil Justice Scholarship. Due to the Coronavirus, the annual \$5,000 scholarship check was presented via a Zoom conference.



#### Oliver Maner Partner William J. Hunter Helps Secure Release of Last Remaining Non-Violent Offender Serving a Life Sentence

Oliver Maner is pleased to announce Partner William (Bill) J. Hunter's groundbreaking efforts through pro bono representation of Samuel Smart, the only remaining person in Georgia serving a life without parole sentence for the non-violent drug offense of possession with the intent to distribute cocaine. Convicted in 1999, Smart has served nearly 22 years in prison. During that time, he was an exemplary inmate.

Oliver Maner's Bill Hunter was hired pro bono by the Southern Center for Human Rights (SCHR). Mr. Hunter, along with the help of local attorney Lindy Moody, and two lawyers from the SCHR, Mike Admirand and Ali Ganem, worked together to secure an order granting Smart's release and eliminating his life without parole sentence.



William J. Hunter

"Pro bono work like this is the backbone of our justice system," said Oliver Maner Partner Bill Hunter. "Giving help to people who need it the most, regardless of the situation, is part of being a good citizen and member of our community. I'm grateful to all of the people who worked so hard to help Mr. Smart."

Since 2003, Hunter has devoted 100 percent of his practice to complex trial law including representing plaintiffs severely injured or killed in cases against product manufacturers, device manufacturers, trucking companies, and large industrial or construction companies and defending doctors or healthcare providers in malpractice cases. Hunter's experience also includes cases related to large and complex business disputes, many times involving claims related to fiduciary duties, trade secrets, and "bet the company" issues.

Over the years, Hunter 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. He is also a member of the board of directors for Union Misiona, a nonprofit leading the fight against homelessness in the Greater Savannah area, and spends many hours as a volunteer basketball coach for a competitive, travel team in Savannah.



#### Attorney John Thomas Johnson Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and St. Simons Island, recently welcomed John Thomas "J.T." Johnson to the firm's Real Estate Practice Group.

J.T.'s practice focuses on real estate, including the closing of residential and commercial transactions, representation of lenders in secured transactions, representation of title insurance companies, assisting landowners in property development, and drafting and negotiation of contracts and leases.

J.T. graduated from the University of Georgia with a degree in Finance and earned his J.D. from the University of Georgia School of Law.



John Thomas

An active member of the community, he currently serves as the secretary-treasurer of the Judicial Invitational Golf Classic and is a member of the Davis Love Foundation Club and the Georgia Chamber Business Climate Committee. He previously served on the boards of the Golden Isles Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Glynn County Smile for a Lifetime Foundation, and Skylark. He is a 2007 graduate of Leadership Glynn.

J.T. and his wife Stella have three children and are members of St. Simons Community Church. They are actively involved with the St. Simons Land Trust.

#### GLSP Attorney Moves to Leadership of Civil Rights Law Section

The Savannah Regional Office of Georgia Legal Services is proud to announce Alison Slagowitz has been elected to serve as the Membership Chair of the Federal Bar Association's Civil Rights Law Section. This is a two-year Board Officer position beginning the first of October. The Civil Rights Law Section of the Federal Bar Association includes practicing and retired attorneys from both plaintiff and defendant firms from the private, public, and non-profit sectors. Current Section Committees include: Amicus (soliciting and evaluating proposals for the section to sign on or author an amicus brief); Defense of Government Entities; Discrimination in Housing, Employment, Public Accommodations; Marijuana Law; Education; and Pro Se Litigation.

In preparation for her new role, Ms. Slagowitz organized an upcoming CLE panel presentation sponsored by the Civil Rights Law Section on landlord liability for tenant-on-tenant harassment under the Fair Housing Act through its three routes of enforcement: private, HUD, and DOJ. The presenters include trial attorneys from DOJ, HUD, and one of the leading civil rights firms in Washington D.C. The CLE is free to all members of the Federal Bar Association and \$75 to non-members. This presentation is currently scheduled for October 28 from 2-3pm EST.

For more information on Ms. Slagowitz's work with Georgia Legal Services, the upcoming Fair Housing Act CLE, or membership to the Federal Bar Association, please contact Ms. Slagowitz at <a href="mailto:aslagowitz@glsp.org">aslagowitz@glsp.org</a> or (912) 651-2283 ext. 2200.



#### Gifts Made To GLSP in Memory of Sam Inglesby

The Savannah Regional Office has been honored to have received memorial gifts from the following in memory of Sam Inglesby.

Mr. & Mrs. Hamilton G. Arden, Jr.
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Sam was both a colleague and a friend who always understood the importance of the provision of legal services to those who could not afford it. As President of the Savannah Bar Association, Sam visited the local office and offered considerable encouragement and interest. His passing was indeed a loss to not only Legal Services, but to our entire legal community.

#### Nancy DeVetter Opens DeVetter Law, LLC

Nancy DeVetter is pleased to announce the opening of her new law firm, DeVetter Law, LLC. Her practice concentrates on criminal case mitigation (record restriction, sealing court records, First Offender Act issues, and pardons). She also provides services in family law, housing, consumer defense, and Social Security. Nancy recently worked in Georgia Legal Services' Savannah Office for six years as the head of its Record Restriction and Re-Entry Project and as its public benefits expert. She previously spent six years working for Atlanta Legal Aid, focusing on family law, consumer law, public benefits, and housing. She received her B.A. from Washington and Lee University in 2003 and her J.D. from Georgia State College of Law in 2008. Nancy is originally from Atlanta, Georgia, and lives on Tybee Island with her husband and two children. She also serves on Tybee City Council. You can reach Nancy at <a href="mailto:nancy@devetterlaw.com">nancy@devetterlaw.com</a> or (912) 550-4059



Nancy DeVetter



#### Area Attorneys Support 2020-21 State Bar Campaign for GLSP

Each year the State Bar of Georgia sponsors a campaign to support Georgia Legal Services. All funds raised are allocated to the local office that serves the area in which the attorney resides. GLSP uses these funds to support the work of attorneys on staff as well as to sponsor the Pro Bono Program. Below are those who have contributed since the beginning of the campaign on April 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020. Thank you for your support. If you have not yet been able to contribute, kindly do so.

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#### HGRS LLP Announces Awards, New Associate

Kristen Goodman of Hall, Gilligan, Roberts & Shanlever LLP was named to the 2020 Best Lawyers in America for Employment Law – Management. She is joined by firm members Wit Hall, Matt Gilligan, and Mark Bonfanti. HGRS has offices in Atlanta and Savannah, along with Destin and Seagrove, Florida.

HGRS is also pleased to announce that Krystle Steinhoff has joined the firm's Savannah office as an associate. Krystle has almost a decade of experience with business, transactional, and trademark law matters.

### The Savannah Trial Lawyers Association (STLA) Announces 2020-2021 Officers

John Manly, President
Danny Justus, Vice-President
Darryl Lasky, Secretary
Ben Price, Treasurer
Gene Spiva, Parliamentarian

Look out for emails about our upcoming meeting schedule!

#### Bignault & Carter, LLC Announces Relocation, New Associate

Bignault & Carter, LLC is pleased to announce that it has relocated its office location from Savannah to Pooler. Effective immediately our new address is just off Pooler Parkway at:

Bignault & Carter, LLC Parkway Professional Plaza 130 Canal Street, Suite 401 Pooler, Georgia 31322

Telephone: (912) 356-0388 Facsimile: (912) 356-0399

We would also like to recognize and announce that attorney Alison N. Maher joined our law firm in December, 2019 as an associate attorney. Mrs. Maher has been practicing law since 2011 and is licensed in the states of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Georgia. Alison is a graduate from The Pennsylvania State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Psychology as well as a cum laude graduate from Western New England University School of Law, obtaining her Juris Doctorate in 2011



#### **Equal Justice Under the Law**

These words are inscribed above the entrance to the U.S. Supreme Court. The phrase is based on the 1891 opinion in *Caldwell v. Texas* (137 U.S. 692). Chief Justice Fuller stated in the opinion:

By the Fourteenth Amendment, . . . no state can deprive particular persons or classes of persons of equal and impartial justice under the law.

Equal and impartial justice under the law.

In an ideal world, equal and impartial justice under the law would consider all individuals equal and protected by the rule of law. It would give every individual an effective voice in a neutral third-party process based on facts and application of the rule of law.

However, in the real world, many self-represented individuals don't have an effective voice. They are stressed and overwhelmed throughout the court process.<sup>i</sup> Many of those who are self-represented believe they would have been better heard and received a better outcome had they been represented by an attorney.<sup>ii</sup> For those with limited income hiring an attorney is simply not an option. This is especially true in cases involving eviction, foreclosure, and family law where legal representation can have a significant impact on the outcome.

Legal aid organizations, like Georgia Legal Services Program, provide an effective voice for those with limited income by providing free legal representation. But with only one legal aid attorney for every 16,000 people in poverty in the US, legal representation that provides an effective voice continues to be inaccessible for many. <sup>111</sup>

With assistance from attorneys like you, we can make equal justice under the law a reality. By partnering with GLSP, you can increase our capacity to serve Georgians of limited means, make an impact in your community, and close the justice gap.

Whether you have an hour, a week, a Saturday, or all the time in the world, GLSP has a program to help you help others in need. We provide training, staff support, and malpractice insurance. For more information or to volunteer, contact Pro Bono Project Staff Attorney Sarah J. Anderson at <a href="mailto:sjanderson@glsp.org">sjanderson@glsp.org</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cases without Counsel: Research on Experiences of Self-Representation in U.S. Family Court (May 2016), available at <a href="https://iaals.du.edu/sites/default/files/documents/publications/cases">https://iaals.du.edu/sites/default/files/documents/publications/cases</a> without counsel research report.pdf.

ii Ibid.

iii In Georgia, that number drops to one legal aid attorney for every 30,000 Georgians in poverty. *The Justice Index 2016: A Project of the National Center for Access to Justice at Fordham Law School* (2016), available at <a href="https://justiceindex.org/2016-findings/attorney-access/#site-navigation">https://justiceindex.org/2016-findings/attorney-access/#site-navigation</a>



#### Let's Help United Way Support Our Community!

In mid-March, United Way of the Coastal Empire seeded a COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund with \$80,000 to strategically support those who had experienced a critical loss of income directly related to the pandemic. Since that time, this community has added more than \$659,000 to the cause. To date, \$585,000 has been spent helping more than 1,850 people, mostly with housing and utilities. Fully 90% of those assisted have never needed help before.

Because of the effective system United Way built over the past six months through their 211 resource and referral call center and in collaboration with key partner agencies, the organization was approached by the City of Savannah and Chatham County to help deliver CARES Act money specifically to assist those facing evictions, foreclosure, and/or shut-off of utilities. While it is not without challenge or risk, United Way knew it had to do this important work to help more people and get this capital flowing through our regional economy.

In addition, so far this year, United Way has been able to fulfill promised grants to our 54 partner agencies through the dollars designated to the United Way Community Fund because pledges made in the 2019 campaign have been honored even through this crisis. The direct support provided through the Community Fund is vital to many of our region's highest-performing nonprofits that serve on the front lines in good times and in bad, many particularly stressed under the circumstances we are now facing.

Agencies who impact the legal community have received funds and assisted with the following:

- 512 children were assisted by a court-appointed special advocate or guardian ad litem
- 556 individuals obtained appropriate employment-related vital legal documents
- 477 court appearances provided on behalf of child victims and/or non-offending caregivers
- 163 people received legal counseling to overcome barriers to employment
- 1,917 survivors of intimate partner violence or sexual assault increased knowledge about their legal rights and options, and were helped with 251 court appearances/reports on their behalf

United Way of the Coastal Empire was founded as the Community Chest by this community for the benefit of this community. And thanks to the vision of Herschel V. Jenkins who established a trust for United Way, along with several other revenue sources, 95 cents of every donor dollar is invested back into the community.

The mission of United Way is to improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of communities to advance the common good. Please join us in that effort by giving what you can at uwce.org. You give a little bit and together, we do a lot.

Submitted by: Rachel Wilson Dave Burkhoff Shay Bowen

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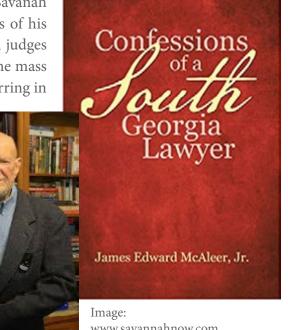
## Coastal Heritage Society Announces Reopening of Savannah Children's Museum



The Coastal Heritage Society is delighted to announce the opening of the Savannah Children's Museum on weekends (Thu-Sat) beginning Thursday, September 24. We look forward to welcoming Low Country families back for fun and educational activities in our safe, outdoor space. The mission of Coastal Heritage Society is to provide educational experiences to the public through the preservation and presentation of the historic cultural resources in Georgia and adjacent regions. Coastal Heritage Society operates six historic museums including Georgia State Railroad Museum, Harper Fowlkes House (currently closed), Savannah Children's Museum, Savannah History Museum, Old Fort Jackson and Pin Point Heritage Museum.

"CONFESSIONS OF A SOUTH GEORGIA LAWYER" is a colorful and engaging story of the life and career of a ninety-two-old, retired Savanah attorney. James McAleer, through anecdotes, stories, and revelations of his personal experiences, comments, sometimes in hilarious fashion, on judges and lawyers whom he has known. He also describes the impact of the mass of black and female lawyers to the Bar of Georgia and on events occurring in courtrooms.

The book is available through the author, James Edward McAleer, at 1312 Lavon Avenue, Savannah, GA 31406, phone 912-354-8497. If you purchase the book directly from the author, the price will be only \$30.00. The book is also available at Barnes & Noble, E. Shaver Bookstore, on Ebay, and on Amazon.



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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 <a href="mailto:SBACitation@gmail.com">SBACitation@gmail.com</a> with submissions or inquiries.