

CBA Report



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CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION SEMINARS

Accounting 101 for Lawyers
Tuesday, November 13, 2007
3:00-6:00 p.m.

This seminar is for any attorney who counsels businesses of any size, whether in litigation or transactions. At this seminar you will learn how to identify and address the basic issues presented by your clients' accounting practices and financial statements, as well as how to build a constructive relationship with your clients' accountants.

Probate Practice Part 2
Thursday, November 15, 2007
3:00-6:00 p.m.

Topics Include: Current Legislation and Case Law Update; Estate Tax Apportionment Issues; 10 Things Probate and Estate Planning Lawyers Do that Drive Accountant Nuts! and Professional Responsibility for Estate Planners.

Fair Lending Issues in Today's Mortgage Market
Monday, November 19, 2007
12:00-2:00 p.m.

As events in the subprime mortgage market make national headlines, learn about the laws governing the origination and servicing of home loans. Our panelists will discuss the latest developments in lending law while

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This schedule is subject to change without notification. Fees for all onsite registration will be increased by \$10 for both members and nonmembers. All events are held at The Chicago Bar Association, 321 S. Plymouth Court unless otherwise indicated. To register call 312-554-2056 or visit www.chicagobar.org.

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providing practice tips on how to: Evaluate a foreclosure action; and Assess compliance with the Truth in Lending and Real Estate Settlement Procedures Acts

Learning How to Navigate Administrative Orders: Vacating, Establishing, Enforcing and Modifying Them
Tuesday, November 27, 2007
3:00-6:00 p.m.

Utilizing administrative orders in your practice can be confusing, particularly when the average domestic relations attorney is used to handling their client's case before the court. This seminar will focus on explaining when administrative orders are used and how they are established. After taking this seminar, the attorney will know how to modify, enforce and vacate and administrative order. You will receive case law on tax intercepts and income tax intercepts and the authority upon which administrative orders are granted.

How To Advocate For Or Manage A Worker With An Ongoing Medical Condition: ADA, FMLA and Workers' Compensation Concerns
Wednesday, November 28, 2007
3:00-6:00 p.m.

Topics Include: Judge's Perspective, Attorney's Perspective-Plaintiff, Attorney's Perspective-Management and Ethical Issues in Managing and Advocating for a Worker with Ongoing Medical Condition

Wills for Heroes



At the Wills for Heroes Hoffman Estates event are Jill Eckert McCall, YLS Vice-Chair; Sal Cicero, YLS Special Projects Coordinator in charge of Wills for Heroes Project; Hoffman Estates Fire Chief Jorian and his wife, YLS Chair Bill Oberts and firefighter Nick Picasa, who helped organize the event.

On Saturday, October 27 volunteers from the Young Lawyers Section (YLS) of The Chicago Bar Association headed out to the suburb of Hoffman Estates to write 33 wills for the firefighters and their spouses of Station 24 as part of its new "Wills for Heroes" program. The Wills for Heroes Foundation developed the program shortly after September 11, 2001 and it has recently become a national initiative of the Young Lawyers Division of the American Bar Association (ABA/YLD). The program has volunteer lawyers go into firehouses, police departments and other venues to draft simple estate plans at no cost to the

first responders.

The program was initiated in Illinois by YLS Chair **Bill Oberts** and implemented by YLS Special Projects Coordinators **Sal Cicero** and **Maureen Duffy** along with the help of the Wills for Heroes Foundation.

"I regularly represent firefighters and police officers. When I learned of the program, I thought it was a great way for us to give back to those who risk their lives daily for our benefit," said Oberts. "The ABA/YLD was very supportive of our efforts to implement the program in Illinois. We hope to offer the program to Chicago area firehouses and other departments. We'll go department to department to help our first responders."

The YLS received great feedback from

the Hoffman Estates Fire Department. Fire Department Chief **Jeffrey Jorian** advised that "The process was painless and very efficient" and "It couldn't have been a more pleasurable experience!"

This was the first Wills for Heroes program implemented in Illinois. The YLS hopes to hold many more programs to help those who devote their lives to serving their communities and are prepared to pay the ultimate price in the line of duty. Please contact YLS at 312-554-2031 or yls@chicagobar.org if your municipality is interested in participating in a future the program or if you are an attorney who wants to volunteer in the future.

The 2008 CBA Court Calendars Are IN!

\$19.30 for members
\$23.65 for nonmembers
(includes IL sales tax)

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CBA Annual Revue "Young Frank & Stein LLP"

From Tony Soprano to Chief Illiniwisk, no one is safe as the zanies of the Christmas Spirits cast present The Chicago Bar Association's annual satirical revue, at DePaul University's Merle Reskin Theatre, 60 E. Balbo Ave., December 11 - 15, 2007.

The writers of the 2007 show, "Young, Frank & Stein, LLP," promise to send up every newsmaker from Rosie O'Donnell to Barry Bonds and to lampoon all the noteworthy news from the gridlock in Springfield to the success of YouTube. A cast of more than 60 singing and dancing attorneys, judges and law students, aided and abetted by a swinging professional pit band, have sworn to skewer as many of society's notables as possible in a two-hour show. As they do every year, writers Julian Frazin and Art Garwin aim to reduce show goes to a state of helplessness with song parodies so witty you'll be singing them for friends for weeks to come.

The ticket price is \$60 and all performances begin at 8 p.m. Dinner/show packages are also available for \$115 or \$130 depending on entrée choice. Dinner is at the Hilton Towers across Balbo Avenue from the theatre. To purchase tickets, or for more information, call 312-554-2000 or go online to <http://chicagobar.org/public/barshow/2007show.asp>.

Committee Meetings

Please Note: Following is a list of committees that have notified the CBA of their speaker/topic. This list is subject to change. For updated information call 312-554-2134 or log on to www.chicagobar.org.

November 13

Adoption Law - Practice
Panel discussion on the procedures and requirements in adopting a child or adult subject to the Social Security Administration.
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Bankruptcy & Reorganization - Practice (12:00 pm)
The Mortgage Crisis - Chapter 11 Issues. Please RSVP to mmsolen@skadden.com.
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Civil Practice - Practice
Judge Thomas L. Hogan on "Navigating through Law Division and 2005."
*MCLE Credit Available

Criminal Law (CBA/YLS) - Practice
Cara Smith, Office of the Illinois Attorney General, on "What You Need To Know About Implementation of the Adam Walsh Act in Illinois and Its Impact on our Criminal Justice System"
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Estate Planning - YLS
Lauren J. Wolven, Brown Brothers Harriman Trust Company N.A., on managing beneficiary expectations.
*MCLE Credit Available

Financial & Investment Services - Practice
Planning/kick off meeting.

All committee meetings are held at the CBA Building (321 S. Plymouth Court) at 12:15 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

Insurance Coverage - YLS
Meeting cancelled.

Trade & Professional Associations Law - Practice
Meeting cancelled.

November 14

Alliance for Women - Service
"Women & Power: Working with Power to Make It Work for Us."
Held at Quarles & Brady, 500 W. Madison St. Lunch provided. RSVP to afwsvp@gmail.com.

Domestic Relations - Practice
Maria Pesqueria, Latinas Mujeres Accion, will discuss the cultural values of the Mexican American Community as they relate to concepts of family, gender roles and attitudes toward the legal system.
*MCLE Credit Available

Federal Taxation - Practice
Corporate Taxation Division C: John B. Palmer, Foley & Lardner LLP, on "To Capitalize or Not to Capitalize, and Then What? Accounting for Transaction Costs in Corporate Restructurings."
*MCLE Credit Available

Financial Institutions - Practice
Meeting cancelled.

Labor & Employment Law - Practice
Christopher Paetsch, Seyfarth Shaw, will discuss Illinois non-compete law.
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Strategies to Grow Your Career

The Chicago Bar Association has launched a new Career & Practice Development Community at www.chicagobar.org. This new online Community houses a wealth of information, including articles and forums that discuss careers in the legal profession and how to grow your practice. The Community also links legal professionals with job opportunities in Chicago and throughout the U.S.

The Career & Practice Development Community will connect you with articles that help you get started in your new job, brand yourself among your peers, increase your revenue and handle job frustration and work-life balance. You can even understand how to position yourself for your next salary review with negotiation and bonus strategies, and learning how to more accurately relate your unique value proposition to your firm or company.

Have you ever wondered if anyone else has the same career questions, struggles

with the same issues, or has the same career aspirations? The Forums in the Community give you an opportunity to converse online with thousands of other people in the legal profession.

You will also can to listen in on webinars, download archived online seminars, find information about upcoming events, and locate the books and tapes that will help you advance your career.

"We launched the Career & Practice Development Community to provide our members with an environment in which they can find answers to their career questions," said CBA President **Victor P. Henderson**. "They may find an answer in an article, or they may find it from another legal professional in a discussion forum. We want to take full advantage of the capabilities of online Communities to provide our members with a place to connect and share their experiences."

Visit the Career & Practice Development Community today at www.chicagobar.org.

All Bar Holiday Festival Dec. 9

The CBA and President **Victor P. Henderson** will host an inaugural "Family Holiday Festival" on Sunday, December 9, 2007, from 2:30-5:30 p.m., in the Grand Ballroom at Navy Pier. Attendees will be treated to performances from the award-winning Oak Park/River Forest Children's Chorus, the CBA's Symphony Orchestra, the CBA Chorus and the CBA Barristers Big Band. Children will enjoy face painting, temporary tattoos and balloon animals, as well as visits from holiday favorites including Frosty the Snowman and Santa. Light refreshments will be served.

"The All Bar Holiday Festival is a unique opportunity for our members and their families to meet each other and to celebrate the holiday season. It is my hope that this inaugural event will have wide appeal and that our coming together during this season of peace, hope and giving will become an annual celebration for our Chicago legal community. Lawyers enjoy a special camaraderie in

our city and the Family Holiday Festival brings each of us and our families closer together," commented CBA President **Victor P. Henderson** of Holland & Knight LLP, when asked about the upcoming event. The event is spearheaded by **Sally McDonald** of DLA Piper US LLP. McDonald added, "At the Family Holiday Festival, your families can enjoy children's choral music, holiday characters and kid-friendly refreshments. Be sure to remember your food donations to benefit the Greater Chicago Food Depository!"

Reservations are strongly suggested. Prior to November 26, tickets \$25 for adults & teens and children under 12 free. After November 26, all tickets are \$25. Attendees are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item or cash donation for the Greater Chicago Food Depository. For more information or to make reservations, contact Tamra Drees at 312-554-2057 or tdrees@chicagobar.org.

YLS Sponsors Wellness Fair

In the hustle and bustle of the everyday practice of law, it can be difficult to make time for yourself and your health. Spend a few hours on November 27 and learn simple steps to a healthier you. Program highlights include:

Plenary Session: The Latest In Health & Wellness (4:00-4:45 p.m.)
A panel of speakers will address hot button issues in health and wellness.

The Latest in Cancer Treatment and Research
Dr. Martin Murphy, Convener & Chief Operating Officer, CEO of the Roundtable on Cancer; Founder & Executive Editor, The Oncologist, a monthly peer-reviewed cancer medicine journal

Wellness for Lawyers: An Action Plan
Dr. Elif E. Oker, M.D., F.A.C.E.P., Medical Director I, Blue Cross Blue Shield Illinois/HCS

The Blue Cross Blue Shield Wellness Initiative
Carolyn Clift, Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois, Health Care Service Corporation

Jenner & Block's CEO Gold Cancer Standard for Its Employees
Gregory S. Gallopoulos, Managing Partner, Jenner & Block LLP

Breakout Sessions (Choose 2 breakouts from the following list)

• **The CEO Cancer Gold Standard**
Speakers: Dr. Martin Murphy; Gregory S. Gallopoulos; and John N. Dornan Jr., Executive Director, CEO Cancer Gold Standard
An in-depth discussion of the CEO Cancer Gold Standard.

• **The Blue Cross Blue Shield Wellness Initiative**
Speaker: Carolyn Clift
The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois Wellness Initiative.

• **Proposed Catastrophic Illness CBA Committee**
Speaker: Jeffrey Burger, Pedersen & Houpt
Learn more about the new proposed committee on catastrophic illness.

• **Stress Relief/Meditation**
Speaker: David J. Pritchard, Salvi Schostok & Pritchard P.C.
Learn the physical and psychological benefits and medication, followed by some basic techniques.

• **Better Nutrition**
Speaker: Susan Oxman, MS, RD., Health Coach, Interactive Health Solutions
Learn how to make the Food Guide Pyramid work for you, including evaluating your current eating habits and setting your own nutritional goals.

• **Benefits of Massage Therapy**
Speaker: *Jasmine Liscic, Licensed Massage Therapist, Instructor, South Suburban College*

Meet & Greet Reception (6:00-7:00 p.m.)
After the breakout sessions, attendees are invited to attend a reception featuring complimentary beer and wine and appetizers. This is a great opportunity to meet the speakers and mingle with fellow attendees in a casual environment.

The fair is complimentary for CBA Members. The non-member cost is \$20 (pay at the door). To register, send an email to yls@chicagobar.org