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wish you and your families
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North County Section Dinner

January 11, 5:30 p.m.

The Riverhouse Restaurant, Palm Beach Gardens

Membership Luncheon with guest speaker

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito

January 26, 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Cohen Pavilion at the Kravis Center

North County Section Dinner

and Casino Night

February 8, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Bonnette Hunt Club

Membership Luncheon with guest speaker

U.S. Supreme Court Clerk William Suter

February 13, 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Crowne Plaza Hotel

Joint Membership Luncheon with South

County Bar with guest speaker Florida Bar

President Hank Cox

March 20, 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Delray Beach Country Club

Membership Luncheon with Guest Speaker

Richard Lapchick, Human Rights Activist,

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Management Program

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April 19, 11:45 - 1:00

Marriott West Palm Beach

Annual Law Week Judicial Reception

April 25, 5:30 p.m.

The Harriet at City Place

Annual Law Day Luncheon

May 4 (tentative date) 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

North County Section Annual Dinner

May 10, 5:30 p.m.

Ruth's Chris in North Palm Beach

Annual Installation Banquet at the Breakers

Saturday, June 16, 7:00 p.m.

The Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach



January Membership Luncheon to Feature Justice Samuel Alito

The Bar is pleased to present U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito as its guest speaker for its membership luncheon to be held on Friday, January 26 at the Cohen Pavilion at the Kravis Center. Reservation forms have been mailed to all members and reservations can also be made online at palmbeachbar.org. Deadline to make prepaid reservations is January 19. Cost is \$30/member, \$45/non-member.

Samuel A. Alito, Jr. was nominated as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court by President George W.

Bush and was sworn in on January 31, 2006. He previously served as a judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, having been appointed by President George Bush in 1990.

He began his legal career as a law clerk for the Hon. Leonard I. Garth of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. From 1977 to 1981, he was an Assistant United States Attorney in Newark, New Jersey. From 1981 to 1985, he was an Assistant to the Solicitor General of the United States, and in that capacity he briefed and argued numerous cases in the United States Supreme Court. From 1985 to 1987, he was Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel, which is responsible for providing legal advice to the Justice Department and other components of the Executive Branch. In 1987, Justice Alito was appointed by President Reagan as the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey. He held this office until his appointment to the Third Circuit.

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Investiture Ceremonies Scheduled for New Judges

The investiture ceremonies scheduled to date for our newest judges have been scheduled as follows. All Bar members are cordially invited to attend:

Robin Rosenberg	February 2, 4:00 p.m.	Courtroom 11A
David French	February 16, 4:00 p.m.	Courtroom 11A
Ted Booras	February 21, 4:00 p.m.	Courtroom 11A

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The annual election of officers and directors for the Palm Beach County Bar will take place in April. Persons seeking to run for a position on the Board of Directors will need to obtain a nominating petition and must be a member in good standing of the Palm Beach County Bar Association. The nominating petition must be signed by no fewer than 20 members in good standing of the Association. Petitions for President-elect are due back in the Bar office by 5 p.m. on January 17 and petitions for director-at-large are due back by 5 p.m. on January 31. Petitions may be obtained by calling the Bar office at 687-2800 or by sending an e-mail requesting one to pburns@palmbeachbar.org. For any of the positions, it is the candidate's responsibility to verify ahead of time through the Bar office that the members that are signing their petitions are members in good standing, otherwise, the petition will be deemed invalid.

Bar Seeks Nominees for Professionalism Awards

For the eighth year, the Palm Beach County Bar Association will be presenting the Annual Professionalism Awards to be given at the Professionalism Seminar which it sponsors every year. This year's Professionalism Seminar is presently scheduled for March 30, 2007 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. While the Professionalism Awards will be given at that time the nomination process for these awards is now. There will be three awards this year: individual lawyer award; law firm award and Judicial award.

Past winners of the law firm award include: Craig S. Bernard, Inns of Court; Jones, Foster, Johnston & Stubbs; Law Week Committee; FAWL; Jani Mauer & Nova Law School; Carlton Fields; the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County and the State Attorneys Office. Past winners of the individual/judicial awards are: Jack Ackerman, Douglas Duncan, Judge Walter N. Colbath, Jr., D. Culver "Skip" Smith III, Judge Edward Rodgers, Judge Peter Blanc, Sidney A. Stubbs, Jr. David Ackerman. Judicial Award Winners: Judge Lucy Chernow Brown and Judge Ronald Alvarez

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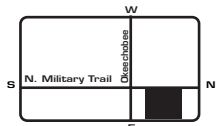
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President's Message



Justice

By Manuel Farach,
President

The search for the meaning of justice is as old as the written word itself. When applied to individuals, Plato considered justice to be a human virtue that made people self-consistent and good. When applied socially, justice was a consciousness that made society harmonious and good. Justinian believed justice to be the habit of giving others their due with "constant and perpetual will." Edmund Burke believed justice to be a matter of self-determination and self-will: "Whatever each man can separately do, without trespassing upon others; he has a right to do for himself."

More recently, James Madison wrote in Federalist No. 51 that justice

Justice is the ligament which holds civilized beings and civilized nations together.

– Daniel Webster

was the desired goal of all civil societies, and was so important that it was to be pursued until achieved or until liberty was lost in the process. The debate continues to the present day as proponents define justice as either distributive justice (the proper distribution of good things such as wealth and power) or retributive justice (the correct response to wrongdoing), with proponents of one theory arguing the other theory lacks a moral foundation. The meaning of justice has, in effect, become a political football used to attack another's beliefs. Even more confusing, both present day theories of justice have theology and religion as their underpinnings. And to make the confusion worse, it is hard to argue with the concept that giving one person "justice" must necessarily deprive another person of some of some form of "liberty."

All of us can agree that justice is the ideal, morally correct state of government or law. We cannot agree, with any measure of precision, what constitutes this correct state. Justice is a complex personal concept, and accordingly, subject to flux. But in order to ensure democracy, one thing must always be constant: the obligation of lawyers and judges to seek justice. Webster was right when he spoke his words and Madison was prescient in his comments; it is the process of seeking justice that is as important as achieving justice itself. As we go about our too busy professional lives, we must keep in mind that one of our obligations, as members of the Bar and as members of society, is to continuously seek justice - whatever its meaning.

2007 Court Holiday Schedule

Monday, January 1.....New Year's Day
 Monday, January 15.....Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 Monday, February 19.....President's Day
 Friday, April 6.....Good Friday
 Monday, May 28.....Memorial Day
 Wednesday, July 4.....Independence Day
 Monday, September 3.....Labor Day

Thursday, September 13.....Rosh Hashanah
 Monday, October 8.....Columbus Day
 Monday, November 12.....Veteran's Day
 Thursday, November 22.....Thanksgiving Day
 Thursday, November 23.....Floating Holiday
 Monday, December 24.....Floating Holiday
 Tuesday, December 25.....Christmas Day

Board of Directors Meeting Attendance

	July Retreat	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Farach	x	x	x	x	x
Sasser	x	x	x	x	x
Poulton	x	x	x	x	x
Suskauer	x		x	x	x
Murray	x	x	x	x	x
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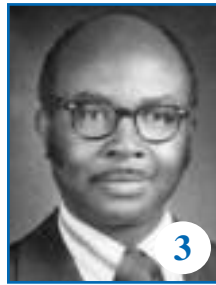
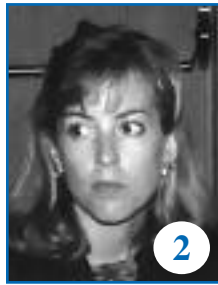
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Who are they?

In continuing with a project started by the Historical Committee, we will continue to run old photos of some of our members. Can you guess who they are?

Answers on page 12



Minutes of the Young Lawyers Section

June 7, 1968, Holiday Inn

Thirty-three members and guests were present.

Numerous judges were present - both Republicans and those facing imminent retirement. Guests attending were Steve Davidson, Bob Hoadley, Joe Reiter and Charles Musgrove.

Our treasurer reported the unusually healthy balance of \$267.01 in our account whereupon there was an immediate and overwhelming demand for a party. Our president, rising to the situation, suggested that we should have a party and that Sid Stubbs and Ellen Van Andel should do all of the work.

Under the heading of "very old business," Gavin Letts advertised the upcoming June Senior Bar meeting and concluded that the speaker had to be good because he was so expensive. Someone suggested that the Senior Bar might be better off getting some cheap, liberal speakers to boo rather than expensive reactionaries to cheer.

Larry Klein introduced our speaker, Judge Bill Owen. Judge Owen broke a long-standing Junior Bar precedent by giving a talk that was not only brief, but also good.

On July 13, the Annual Junior Bar part was held. The cocktail party was bad because it ended too early; the dance was good because it ended so early.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned.

John F. Flanigan, Secretary

Historical PBCBA Facts

Judge Emery Newell, a member of the Bar's Historical Committee, compiled data by combing through old minutes of the Association. Some of the interesting facts that he discovered:

From 1953:

- New members of the Association: John Williams, Marshall Criser, Joel T. Daves III, Clyde Windham, Emery G. Newell, Robert C. Scott, Albert Sims, Lawrence Cooper, Richard Sorgini, John Remsen and William A. Johnson
- Motion approved to introduce a Bill making the office of the judge of Criminal Court Record a full time job and granting an increased salary of \$10,000 a year
- Motion approved that a resolution be adopted endorsing the use of fluoride in the drinking water of the City of West Palm Beach
- Judge Chillingworth introduced Judge John Holland who was holding the first session of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, in West Palm Beach
- Announced that a full day legal institute be held at the George Washington Hotel, with registration fee of \$3.50 being charged to include the institute, luncheon and cocktail reception. There would be an additional fee of \$1.50 if the member chose to bring their wife. (later reported that the Institute generated a profit of \$132 with 89 tickets at \$3.50

and 22 tickets at \$1.50 being sold. Some of the expenses incurred were \$5 for the bartender and luncheon/cocktails \$195)

- The fee to attend the annual banquet was set at \$6 per person
- The treasury showed a balance of \$872.46 at the end of the year

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Common Law Bad Faith

by Ted Babbitt

When an insured is sued by a third party for damages in excess of the insured's policy limits and the insurer fails in good faith to settle the claim and there is a resultant excess verdict, a potential common law cause of action exists because of the bad faith of the carrier. See Boston Old Colony Ins. Co. v. Gutierrez, 386 So. 2d 783 (Fla. 1980), Allstate Indem. Co. v Ruiz, 899 So. 2d 1121 (Fla. 2005).

This common law cause of action does not apply to first party bad faith actions where an insurer fails to settle in good faith with its own insured in the context of such claims as uninsured motorist, PIP claims or other types of first party benefits. See Fidelity & Cas. Co. v. Cope, 462 So. 2d 459 (Fla. 1985), Talat Enters., Inc. v. Aetna Cas. & Sur. Co., 753 So. 2d 1278 (Fla. 2000).

In 1982 the Legislature enacted Fla. Stat. 624.155 which extended bad faith actions to first party claims. That statute was amended in 2005 to include certain notice provisions, which are required as a condition precedent to bringing a suit against an insurer for bad faith. The statute also provides that if the insurer cures its bad faith within sixty days after filing of the notice, no cause of action for bad faith exists.

In Macola v. GEICO, 31 Fla. L. Weekly S690 (Fla. Oct. 26, 2006), the Florida Supreme Court was faced with questions certified by the Eleventh Circuit as to whether the tendering of policy limits within the statutory sixty day period not only precluded the statutory bad faith claim but also the common law bad faith cause of action. In that case, after suit had been filed, the defendant insured's attorney filed a notice under Fla. Stat. 624.155(3)(a) and the insurer offered its policy limits within the sixty day time limit. The case did not settle and the resulting judgment far exceeded the policy limits of the insured. The insured brought a cause of action both under the statute and under the common law theory of bad faith. The case was removed to Federal Court and the District Judge granted a summary judgment, holding that the insurer's action in offering the policy

limits within the sixty day period precluded both the statutory cause of action as well as the common law action for bad faith. On appeal the Eleventh Circuit posed the certified question referred to above to the Florida Supreme Court. The Florida Supreme Court answered the question so as to require reversal and reinstatement of the common law cause of action.

In concluding that only the statutory claim for bad faith is precluded by an insurer paying the policy limits within the sixty day statutory period, the Court cited from Fla. Stat. 625.155(3)(d) that:

"[t]he civil remedy specified in this section does not preempt any other remedy or cause of action provided for pursuant to any other statute or pursuant to the common law of this state. Any person may obtain a judgment under either the common-law remedy of bad faith or this statutory remedy, but shall not be entitled to a judgment under both remedies..."

The Supreme Court concluded that the statute clearly expresses a legislative intent to avoid double recovery but allow both the

common law bad faith action and the statutory action. In doing so, the Court made it clear at Page 692 that an insurer's cure of its bad faith within the sixty day period effectively eliminates the statutory claim:

"Because a cause of action for extracontractual damages for first-party bad faith was unavailable under the common law, we strictly construed the civil remedy statute and held that the tender of the policy limits within the sixty-day period cured any alleged violation of subsection (1)(b)(1). See Talat, 753 So. 2d at 1283-84. We explained that the only remedy was statutory and that the statute conditioned the remedy on notice by the insured and failure by the insurer to pay the damages within the cure period. See *id.* In other words, in the first-party context, "[t]he statutory cause of action for extra-contractual damages simply never comes into existence until expiration of the sixty-day window without the

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Why Am I So Blu?

by *Bard D. Rockenbach, Chairman, Technology Committee*

Why does everything in technology have to be so difficult? It isn't enough that they turned our televisions into "home theaters," complete with experts and "design teams." Now "they" (whoever they are) have taken the DVD and made it difficult. We already had to deal with optical disc technologies such as DVD, DVD±R, DVD±RW, and DVD-RAM, which use a red laser to read and write data, as if that wasn't enough. Now we have to deal with a new format which uses a blue-violet laser instead (with the colorful name Blu-ray), all in an effort to get high definition resolution out of our DVD players. Of course, that isn't the end of the story.

Blu-ray has a competing format called HD-DVD. Both formats were created with the intention of bringing HD DVD content to home theater, but they go about it in different ways. The blue-violet laser in Blu-ray has a shorter wavelength than a red laser in HD DVD and can focus the laser spot more precisely. A more focused beam allows data to be packed more tightly and stored in less space, so it is possible to fit more data on the disc. As a result, one Blu-Ray disc can store 50-100 gigabytes of data. By contrast, HD-DVD uses dual-layer technology and can store about 30 gigabytes of data.

The primary difference between the two formats is a classic rabbit/hare situation. The HD-DVD can be implemented quicker because it uses technology that is similar to DVD so manufacturers can make them use the same tools, with some adjustments. On the other hand, Blu-ray will be slower to take off because it will require entirely new factories which will have to be built. The bottom line is, well, the bottom line. HD DVD is easier and cheaper to make initially, but Blu-ray has more staying power because of the greater storage capacity. In terms of storage capacity, HD DVD is nothing more than a band-aid, much like 40 GB hard drives were when all we had were 10 GB hard drives. We bought them thinking they were the end of the earth, only to buy 250 GB drives a few years later. HD DVD is similar in that you

can buy it now and have the immediate gratification, but you will probably want the Blu-ray in a year anyway.

The problem is that other technologies are making a stealth attack on both Blu-ray and HD DVD. As more content is available for download over the Internet, there is a big question of whether consumers will want to buy discs – regardless of the format. Many people have had enough boxes hooked up to the television and are slow to buy yet another one. Wouldn't it be easier to just download the movie you want to see and watch it on the TV? That could be accomplished with a computer hooked up to the television. If DirecTV and the cable companies would create a USB key to allow the computer to decode the signal, then the computer could replace every box we now use. We could load the computer with a huge hard drive which stores movies, music and game software. This is probably just another one of my

dreams. (As a side note, however, in 1984 I proposed that personal computers with dial-up connections and the proper software could prepare tax forms and make April 15th jitters a thing of the past. Unfortunately, I left it to Intuit to create the product. Ever heard of Turbo Tax?)

As 2006 ends and 2007 begins, and as new titles are coming out in both formats, the central question remains: should I bother to buy either new technology? A new Blu-ray player will cost \$750-\$1500 (although the new Sony Playstation 3 plays Blu-ray discs and is only \$500), while an HD DVD player will cost about half that amount (although Microsoft's Xbox 360 HD plays HD DVD discs and is only \$200.) Past experience shows that when consumers are faced with competing technologies, the smart money sits on the sidelines and waits for a winner to emerge. If I had to bet, I would bet that Blu-ray eventually

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Judicial Profile



JUDGE SANDRA BOSSO-PARDO

by Terry Resk, on behalf of the Judicial Relations Committee

Having been born in St. Mary's Hospital to a father who was a Palm Beach County attorney, Judge

Sandra Bosso-Pardo has not traveled far from either her geographical or professional family roots. The fourth of seven children, she and her siblings grew up playing "lawyer and judge" rather than "cops and robbers." Although she had not consciously decided at a young age to be a judge, she quickly realized which role in their games she preferred.

She attended Cardinal Newman High School and then Springhill College in Alabama, where she majored in English. She also spent a year in Rome with Loyola University. After graduation, she initially intended to attend graduate school in order to become an English professor but then changed her mind and worked in the customer service department of Sears while waiting to take the law school entrance exams.

Judge Bosso-Pardo met her future husband, attorney Angelo Pardo, in law school. He graduated before she did and began working for her father in his local law practice.

Upon graduating from Stetson University College of Law in 1978, the judge entered private practice here in

Palm Beach County, spending most of the next twenty years as an associate and later partner with the firm now known as Paxton & Smith, P.A., and approximately four years at what was then Brackett, Cook, Sned, Welch & Scott.

In 2002, she was invited to join the Palm Beach County School Board to help establish its in-house litigation department. Before accepting the position, she disclosed her intentions of seeking a judicial appointment, but agreed not to apply for two years. True to her word, she later submitted her application and was appointed to the county court bench by Governor Jeb Bush in December of 2004.

Although her father passed away approximately 20 years ago, her oldest brother Bill and her husband both still practice law in the offices used by her father. She lives within ten minutes of her mother and five of her siblings.

With the demands of her professional life, she and her husband were nonetheless able to raise two children - Cristina, age 20 and Alex, age 18. Although still undecided, Cristina has expressed interest in taking the law school entrance exams.

After 20 years of practice, it seemed a normal progression for Judge Bosso-Pardo to assume the bench. She had found that, even while advocating on

behalf of her clients, she could look at cases objectively and treat all litigants fairly.

Her favorite aspect of her position is being able to help people obtain immediate resolutions of disputes in the small claims cases which she can expedite. Her least favorite part of the job is evicting people who are obviously trying to make their rental payments but have been unsuccessful.

Upon assuming the bench, the Judge was surprised at the "astounding" amount of paperwork in the County Civil Division, and found that the transition from zealous advocate to neutral judge was more difficult than she had imagined. She is used to thoroughly researching cases, but when she became a judge, realized that it was difficult to be as thorough as she would like and still move her docket along. She therefore appreciates the attorneys in her division who are prepared and bring copies of cases on which they rely.

Although her family and friends had good-naturedly questioned her suitability for the "customer service" department of a retail store, it is obvious that Judge Sandra Bosso-Pardo has continued serving the public in a way that would have made her father very proud!

Attention Solos!

The next Solo & Small Firm Practitioners Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, February 28 from 11:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bar Office. The topic will be on Attorney-Client Communications with guest speaker Thomas Sukowicz from Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

As a member benefit to our solos, this luncheon is just \$10.00 and includes 2.0 CLER hours from The Florida Bar. If you would like to attend, please register on line at www.palmbeachbar.org.

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The Young Lawyers Sections of the Palm Beach and Martin County Bar Associations recently held a happy hour at Abacoa in Jupiter. Members brought canned goods that were donated to a local food bank for the holidays. Pictured above are Greg Weiss, Erica Lester, Shaun Plymale, Mike Dixon, Brett Barner, Robert Arzonetti, Bill Abel, Stefanie Shelley, Mark Pateman and Grier Pressly.



Adam Myron, Mark Greenberg, Carl Wald and Scott Zappolo



Natasha Rose of Palm Beach Copy Service and Brett Barner



Adrienne Fleming, Wes Harvin, Shaun Plymale and Darren Steele

Why Am I So Blu?

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comes out the winner in this battle, but only for a little while. The end game is still a total online environment where everything (movies, television and games) are downloadable on demand. We are already heading there with TiVo and on demand services from cable companies. All we need is more bandwidth. When will they bring optic fiber into my house? I want my optic fiber!

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The Legal Aid Society is proud to announce that Michelle and Scott Suskauer of the Suskauer Law Firm together with Matthew Triggs of Proskauer, Rose LLP and his wife Amy have graciously agreed to co-chair the Annual Pro Bono Recognition Evening. The event which is now in its 19th year will be held on Saturday evening, May 12, 2007 at the Palm Beach County Convention Center.

Last year's event was a huge success netting over \$200,000 for Legal Aid's fifteen (15) projects which provide free legal assistance to over 5,000 disadvantaged children, families, elders and individuals residing in our community.

As in past years, the event will honor all the attorneys, law firms and other professionals in our community who provided pro bono services in 2006. Special recognition will be given to those individuals and firms whose volunteer services in 2006 went "above and beyond" all expectations.

The theme of the evening will be "Woodstock" and will include a silent auction, cocktail reception, dinner buffet, awards ceremony and exciting entertainment.

For information regarding how you can participate in the 19th Annual Pro Bono Recognition Evening, please contact Director of Development Harreen Bertisch at 561-655-8944 x 257 or Development Associate, Suzanne Foley at x 279.

Pro Bono Attorneys Who Closed Cases in November 2006

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Total Number of Hours: 549.29



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The Palm Beach County Bar Association's Mentor Program is designed to provide members with a quick and simple way to obtain advice, ideas, suggestions, or general information from an attorney that is more experienced in a particular area of law. The mentors provide a ten-to-fifteen-minute telephone consultation with a fellow attorney, at no fee. Any member of the Palm Beach County Bar, whether newly admitted or an experienced practitioner, can use the program. Call the Bar office at 687-2800, if you need a Mentor.

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Elisha D. Roy Receives The Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award



The Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Pro Bono Committee is pleased to announce that Elisha D. Roy was awarded the 2007 Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award for the Fifteenth

Judicial Circuit. This award was established in 1981 and its purpose is twofold: "to further encourage lawyers to volunteer free legal services to the poor by recognizing those who make such public service commitments, and to communicate to the public some sense of the substantial volunteer services provided by Florida lawyers to those who cannot afford legal fees."

Although Elisha has only been practicing for five years she has a long history of service to the community and to the poor. In law school she did over 300 hours of pro bono service through various law school clinics both on site and at the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County. As a result she was awarded the Gold Award for Pro Bono Hours in her last year at Nova Southeastern University.

Through her pro bono work in law school and continuing with her pro bono work for the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County she has represented numerous children in dependency and

family law issues and she has logged almost 200 hours in the representation of these children. It is also our belief that she has underestimated those hours. She currently has nine open pro bono cases that she is working on (not included in those 200 hours). In 2004 Elisha was honored by the Legal Aid Society for her work in a complicated case involving four children. The case involved issues in both Juvenile and Family court. It concerned issues of placement, mental health counseling and sexual abuse. Agreeing to take this complex matter at the last minute, Elisha spent countless hours representing her clients.

As a member of the Young Lawyer's Division Board of Governors she has consistently promoted and supported pro bono work especially through her support of the Lapel Pin Project (a joint project of the YLD, the Supreme Court and the Florida Pro Bono Coordinators Association). Her support of this project on the YLD Board ensures that pro bono recognition and service will be promoted statewide.

It is wonderful to think that she has many more years of practice ahead of her and many years of pro bono service. For her ongoing and selfless dedication to Pro Bono work and the children and families of Palm Beach County, Elisha is the deserving recipient of The Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award.

Gordon & Doner Wins 6th Annual Cup of Justice Golf Classic

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County's 6th Annual "Cup of Justice Golf Classic" presented by City Place Tower raised \$35,000 to support it's Educational Advocacy Project. The project works to ensure positive educational outcomes for disabled children attending Palm Beach County's lower performing schools.

Attorney Bob Shalhoub chaired the October 9th tournament at BallenIsles Country Club. The presenting sponsors of the event were The Related Companies and Crocker Partners building developers for the new City Place Towers. Additionally, Searcy, Denney, Scarola, Barnhart & Shipley and Florida Crystals Corporation were respectively lunch and dinner sponsors of the tournament. The golf tournament committee members included Harreen Bertisch; Rick Collier; Joyce Conway, Esq.; Suzanne Foley; David McClymont; Scott Murray, Esq.; Linda Norris; Grier Pressly, Heath Randolph, Esq.; Michael Spillane, Vicky Vilchez, Esq.; Gary Woodfield, Esq. and Bob Bertisch, Esq. Tim Byrd the "Byrdman" was the emcee.

The Gordon & Doner Team comprised of Adam Doner, Steven Alman, Rick Freedman and Russ Seger was awarded the "Cup of Justice" for the year. Other winners included Gordon & Doner (Flight 1- 1st Place); Auslin Legal Staffing (Flight 3- 1st Place); Team Shalhoub (Flight 1- 2nd Place) and Jones Lang LaSalle (Flight 3- 2nd Place).

Congratulations to Larry Abramson who got a hole in one.

Bar Launches Dyslexia Program

Illiteracy is an issue of public health and public safety. Approximately 47% of our population is functionally illiterate. Eighty five percent (85%) of our juvenile delinquents have reading problems, and many read below a fourth grade level.

A principal cause of illiteracy is undiagnosed dyslexia. National Institutes of Health researchers at Georgetown University Medical Center, Yale University, Johns Hopkins and other sites have identified dyslexia as a neurobiological condition for which effective intervention is available.

The Palm Beach County Bar Association Literacy Speakers Bureau

("LSB") is an interdisciplinary volunteer effort to educate the community about the scientific and medical research on dyslexia, and about appropriate assessment and intervention. Participating professionals include federal and state court judges, attorneys, psychologists, physicians, educators, reading therapists, and law professors. The lawyers and judges on the team have been trained by clinical and school psychologists in the basics of reading research, and are familiar with the consequences of reading failure on the rate of juvenile delinquency and adult crime.

A two person or three person LSB

team (comprised of professionals from at least two of the fields named above) is available, free of charge, to speak to community groups of 25 or more persons. Presentations can be tailored to meet the time constraints of short breakfast, luncheon or other meetings.

Should you know of an organization that would be interested in an LSB presentation for an upcoming meeting, please contact Tracy Bem at 561-719-4653.

North County Section News

Members of the North County Section recently enjoyed a cocktail reception at the PGA Members Club. Many thanks to Merrill Lynch for underwriting the event.



Andrew Pineiro and Judge Amy Smith



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Florida's New Relocation Statute

By: *J. Mark Maynor, Board Certified Marital & Family Attorney,*
on behalf of the *Family Law Practice Committee*

Recently there have been significant changes in the family law statute governing parental relocation with a child. Due to problems that arise after people have gone through a divorce, the Florida legislature has amended Florida §61.13 to provide for definitions and specific procedures to follow when a parent wants to relocate with the child without notice to the other parent.

Without specific guidelines or procedures addressing this issue, emergency situations abounded. As a solution, the legislature enacted F.S. §61.13001, effective October 1, 2006, which requires that any parent wishing to relocate with the child must first serve the other parent with the proper notice of intent to relocate, giving the other parent thirty days to file an objection to the relocation.

If the parent does not file any objection within thirty days, it is presumed that the relocation is in the best interest of the child, and the court will enter an order allowing the parent to relocate with the child. In a situation such as this, where there is no objection to relocation, the parties are not only spared the Clerk of Court's standard "reopen fee," but also, the parties are spared the emotional and financial drain involved with having to go back to court to request that the Judge make the final decision. In essence, the parties are given the chance to agree on their own, as they would in mediation, and bypass the Judge.

On its face, the new statute appears to be a great way for parties to achieve a modification to their court order without having to spend obscene amounts of money on attorneys and litigation, but only if *both* parties agree to the relocation. The reality, however, is that most parties after a divorce are not willing to agree on issues as important as relocating with a child. In effect, the new statute will be extremely helpful for a handful of parties after a divorce, but most parties will be unaffected, as they will head back to court for the standard modification proceedings when the

objecting parent files his or her objection to the notice of intent to relocate.

When the non-relocating parent files his or her objection, the parent wishing to relocate with child will have the burden to initiate court proceedings to obtain permission from the court to relocate with the child. The new statute maintains the old rule that there shall be no presumption in favor of or against a request to relocate with a child; however, there are many new factors for the courts to consider in addition to the old factors. The factors as set forth in the new statute that the court must consider include the following:

- 1) The nature, quality, extent of involvement, and duration of the child's relationship with the parent proposing to relocate with the child and with the nonrelocating parent, other persons, siblings, half-siblings, and other significant persons in the child's life;
- 2) The age and developmental stage of the child, needs of the child, and the likely impact the relocation will have on the child's physical, educational, and emotional development, taking into consideration any special needs of the child;
- 3) The feasibility of preserving the relationship between the nonrelocating parent or other person and the child through substitute arrangements that take into consideration the logistics of contact, access, visitation, and time-sharing, as well as the financial circumstances of the parties; whether those factors are sufficient to foster a continuing meaningful relationship between the child and the nonrelocating parent or other person; and the likelihood of compliance with the substitute arrangements by the relocating parent once he or she is out of the jurisdiction of the court;
- 4) The child's preference, taking into consideration the child's age and level of maturity;
- 5) Whether the relocation will enhance the general quality of life for both the parent seeking the relocation

and the child, including, but not limited to, financial or emotional benefits or educational opportunities;

6) The reasons of each parent for either seeking or opposing the relocation;

7) The current employment and economic circumstances of each parent or other person and whether or not the proposed relocation is necessary to improve the economic circumstances of the parent or other person seeking relocation of the child;

8) That the relocation is sought in good faith and the extent to which the objecting parent has fulfilled his or her financial obligations to the parent or other person seeking relocation, including child support, spousal support, and marital property and marital debt obligations;

9) The career and other opportunities available to the objecting parent or objecting other person if the relocation occurs;

10) A history of substance abuse or domestic violence as defined in s. 741.28 or which meets the criteria of s. 39.806(1)(d) by either parent, including a consideration of the severity of such conduct and the failure or success of any attempts at rehabilitation;

11) Any other factor affecting the best interest of the child or as set forth in s. 61.13.

It is important to understand that although the main goal of the new legislation is to benefit parties who can amicably resolve issues that arise when one parent wants to relocate with the child, the new statute contains very specific requirements, which if not followed precisely, may backfire, causing the parties to spend more time and money correcting mistakes. Therefore, in the event that a party intends to relocate with their child, it is extremely important for both parties to be familiar with the new legislation, or seek the counsel of an experienced family law attorney.

Welcome New Members!

The following represents each new member's name, hometown, law school, and date of admission to the Florida Bar and law firm association.

SIMON L. BLAUMAN – New York City; New York University, 1958; Solo Practitioner in Boca Raton.

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JULIA WYDA LEDIS – NY; Washington & Lee University School of Law, 2006; Associated with Fifteenth Judicial Circuit in West Palm Beach.



Common Law Bad Faith

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payment of the damages owed under the contract. *Id.* at 1284.

The Court was equally clear, however, that the elimination of the statutory claim in no way affects the ability to bring the third party bad faith claim under common law. At Page 692 the Court holds:

Accordingly, we answer the rephrased certified question in the negative. We hold that an insurer's tender of the policy limits to an insured in response to the filing of a civil remedy notice under section 624.155 by the insured, after the initiation of a lawsuit against the insured but before entry of an excess judgment, does not preclude a common law cause of action against the insurer for third-party bad faith."

While GEICO's tender of the

policy limits may be used by GEICO as evidence of its good faith (or conversely by Quigley and Macola as further evidence of bad faith), the tender of the policy limits after the filing of the civil remedy notice did not eliminate the underlying tort action, which gave rise to the common law third-party bad faith cause of action against the insurer." *Id.* at 693.

The distinction between a third party claim and a first party claim in the context of bad faith is an important one. With the advent of Thompson v. Commercial Union Insurance Co., 250 So. 2d 259, 264 (Fla. 1971), an injured third party could maintain a bad faith action directly against the insurer rather than it being brought by the insured. It is, thus, easy to confuse the line between first and third party actions. Nevertheless, the distinction exists for a reason. Bad faith actions against insurers in the third party context existed under common law. First party actions did not. When the Legislature enacted Fla. Stat.

624.155, it created that cause of action for first party claims and codified the Supreme Court's holding in Thompson which permitted a third party action to be brought by the injured plaintiff without going through the defendant insured. What the Legislature gives, however, the Legislature can take away and the creation of the sixty day cure period did just that for first party actions. It did not, however, eliminate third party actions or the holding in Cunningham v. Standard Guar. Ins. Co., 630 So. 2d 179 (Fla. 1994) that permitted the plaintiff to bring those third party actions directly.

Thus, where a carrier fails to settle a claim when good faith demands a settlement and a resultant excess verdict is rendered, a common law cause of action for bad faith may be brought either by the insured or the injured third party even though the carrier has cured its bad faith under the statutory cause of action.

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by Mark Powers

Rainmaking Lesson Two

Hopefully you have read Lesson Number One and have started to identify the “ideal” client types for each of your practice areas. Though it may sound simple, recognizing whom you best serve is an important first step in building a successful practice. Here’s why: the quality of your practice – and how much you enjoy working

in your practice – is directly correlated to the quality of your clients.

If you, like many of your colleagues, have stocked your practice with clients that aren’t a good fit – you’ll spend much of your career feeling frustrated and unappreciated. In addition, you’ll never realize your income potential. Our research has shown that if you were to apply Pareto’s Principle, also known as the “80/20 rule” to your client base, you would probably find that 80% of your income comes from 20% to 40% of your clients! In this lesson you will learn the power of this principle and how to apply it to your practice.

Most of you know from your own experience that all clients are not created equal – but haven’t yet learned to trust your instincts during the intake process. You may recognize that the client that darkens your door with a page ripped out of the phone book is not quite the same as those sent by your best referral source – but you give everyone the benefit of the doubt. Don’t. Become more rigorous in your screening procedures. Carefully selecting the clients you work with not only improves your morale, it minimizes collection problems and has the added benefit of protecting you against malpractice problems in the future.

The Four Client Types

There are four levels of client types. We call them “A”, “B”, “C” and “D” clients. Each level is judged on certain general criteria: the ability to pay; having needs consistent with your expertise; their ability to cooperate; their opinion of attorneys in general; whether they are high or low maintenance; their ability to be satisfied with services rendered; and the likelihood of sending more work or quality referrals. In addition, practice specific criteria should also be developed that relate to the viability of the prospective client’s case.

In this ranking system, which you can custom fit to your particular practice areas, “A” and “B” matters are the good, “C” matters are the bad, and “D” matters are downright ugly.

Who Are Your “A” and “B” Clients?

Our studies show that the “A” and “B” clients for most practice areas typically comprise 20% of your client base. Hidden among the other clients you serve, they are usually a small, quiet, but vitally important group. How important are they? As mentioned before, they will generate a hefty 60% - 80% of your revenues and only take up 20% - 40% of your time. In addition, they pay their bills; appreciate the value of the work you do for them; cooperate with you; show up on time and send quality referrals. In short, these are the clients you actually enjoy working with! They are the low maintenance clients that bring you the kind of matters that fit your expertise. They are not-crisis driven and they trust your opinion. These are the clients that tend to get lost in the shuffle as you scramble to handle the constant demands of your “C” and “D” clients.

The Next Step

If you find you have stocked your practice with “C” and “D” clients – conduct a “housecleaning.” Most attorneys are appalled to discover how many problematic clients they work with. But there is a solution – follow the steps listed below to conduct your own “housecleaning”. If you have any doubt during this process and begin to vacillate on whether or not a client is appropriate for you – ask your staff. “C” and “D” level clients often treat your staff poorly or take up an unreasonable amount of their time.

Rank your current clients and consider referring out, closing, or letting go of all the “D’s” and most of the “C” clients.

You can do this in person, over the telephone, or by letter. Your bar will typically have sample disengagement letters that you can use. If the issue is nonpayment, you are not ethically bound to continue work for a client that is not paying you. (*Litigators must be careful here – confer with your trial judge.*)

3. Avoid working with more “C” and “D” clients! Refine your intake selection so you don’t admit them in to your practice in the first place!

Fortunately, “C” and “D” clients don’t sneak into your practice unannounced. They usually arrive waving several red flags. And you welcome them in. Often because you need the money – hoping that uneasy feeling you felt upon meeting them was just heartburn. Ironically, the client that you take because you need the money ends up taking your time and not paying you for it. Begin to trust that uneasy feeling – it might be trying to tell you that you are getting involved with the wrong kind of client.

Mark Powers is the President of Atticus, Inc. and a regular contributor to the SBA Rainmaker Section. Mark co-authored “The Making of a Rainmaker: An Ethical Approach to Marketing for Solo and Small Firm Practitioners” and founded Rainmakers™, a simple process for attorneys at all levels to stay focused on marketing, creating fresh ideas, and on-going accountability to marketing. To learn more about Atticus or Rainmakers™, please visit the Atticus website at www.atticusonline.com or contact the Atticus office at 407-644-1572.

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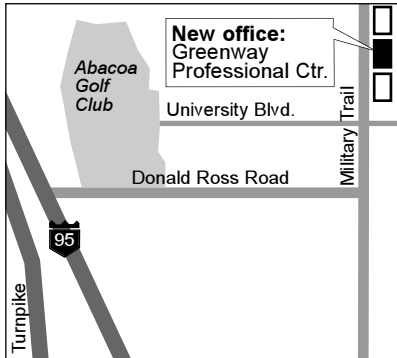
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CALENDAR

January 2007

Monday, January 1
Court Holiday – Office Closed

Wednesday, January 3, 12:00 p.m.
North County Section Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 9, 12:00 p.m.
South County Membership Luncheon
Muvico, Boca Raton
Contact Stephanie Ginsburg at (561) 482-3838

January 9, 12:00 p.m.
Young Lawyers Section Board Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 10, 12:00 p.m.
Small Firm & Solo Practitioners Luncheon
Bar Association Office

January 11, 8:30 a.m.
The Florida Bar Basic Real Estate 2006 Video-Seminar
Bar Association Office

January 11, 5:30 p.m.
North County Section Dinner
River House in Palm Beach Gardens

January 12, 8:30 a.m.
ADR Committee Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 15
Court Holiday – Office Closed
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 16, 12:00 p.m.
Family Law Practice Committee Meeting
Law Library

January 16, 12:00 p.m.
Historical Committee Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 17 - 19
The Florida Bar Midyear Meeting
Miami, FL

January 17, 12:15 p.m.
Juvenile Practice Committee Meeting

January 17, 1:00 p.m.
Legal Aid Family Law Seminar
Legal Aid Office

January 17, 6:00p.m.
Small Claims/Mediation Clinic
Library on Summit Blvd.

January 19, 8:00 a.m.
Real Estate CLE Committee Seminar
Bar Association Office

January 19, 12:00 p.m.
Federal Bar Luncheon
Colony Hotel, Palm Beach

January 19, 12:00 p.m. Cunningham Bar Association Meeting
Law Library

January 19, 12:00 p.m.
Real Estate CLE Committee Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 20, 8:00 a.m.
Young Lawyers Section Holidays in January Distribution

January 23, 12:00 p.m.
Independence of Judiciary Committee Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 23, 12:00 p.m.
Membership Committee Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 25, 5:00 p.m.
PBCBA Board Meeting
Bar Association Office

January 26, 12:00 p.m.
Membership Luncheon
Guest Speaker: The Honorable Samuel Alito
Cohen Pavilion at the Kravis Center

January 29, 8:30 p.m.
Employment Law CLE Seminar
Bar Association Office



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