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May 2009



Mark your calendar for upcoming Membership Events

Law Day Luncheon

May 1, 11:45 – 1:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker: The Honorable James Martz

Leadership Seminar

May 8, 8:30 – 1:00

Bar Association Office

Dinner Honoring Justice Jorge Labarga

May 12, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Marriott West Palm Beach

Estate & Probate Seminar

May 13, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Crowne Plaza Hotel

Texas Hold 'Em Happy Hour Event

May 19, 5:30 p.m.

Mar Iguanas (formerly Gatsby's)

Annual Installation Banquet

June 20, 7:00 – 12 Midnight

The Breakers in Palm Beach

Annual Membership Reception/Spelling Bee

August 19, 5:30 p.m.

Bear Lakes Country Club

Joint Luncheon with FAWL and Cunningham Bar

September 24, 11:45 – 1:00

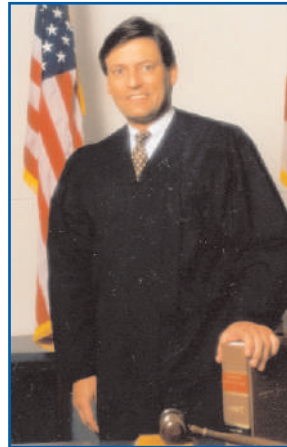
Guest Speaker: FL Supreme Court Justice Peggy Quince

Marriott West Palm Beach

Bench Bar Conference

February 19, 2010

Palm Beach County Convention Center



Dinner Honoring Justice Labarga to be held May 12

Please join us for a dinner honoring Justice Jorge Labarga for his recent appointment to the Florida Supreme Court. This dinner (roast) will be held on May 12 from 5:30 – 8:00 at the Marriott West Palm Beach. Thank you to our sponsors for this event: Roth & Duncan, P.A.; Anderson & Carr; FAWL – Palm Beach and South Palm Beach County Chapters; Juris Imaging; PB Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and the South Palm Beach County Bar Association. Registration is available on the Bar's website www.palmbeachbar.org.

Jorge Labarga was born in Havana, Cuba, and came to Florida as a young boy where he lived with his family in Pahokee. He received his bachelor's degree in 1976 and his law degree in 1979, both from the University of Florida. He worked from 1979 to 1982 as an assistant public defender and from 1982 to 1987 as an assistant. He was in private practice from 1987 to 1996 before his appointment as a circuit judge in the Fifteenth Circuit by Gov. Lawton Chiles.

He served on the Circuit bench for thirteen years before his appointment to the Florida Supreme Court by Gov. Charlie Crist on January 2.

Annual Installation Banquet June 20

Mark your calendar now for the PBCBA's Annual Installation Banquet which has been scheduled for

Saturday, June 20 at the **Breakers Hotel** in Palm Beach.

A reception will be held beginning at 7:00 p.m.

with dinner and dancing immediately following.

Invitations will be mailed shortly or you can register online at

www.palmbeachbar.org.

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That's Unconstitutional!

By *Richard D. Schuler, President*

How many times have we heard or uttered those words? When we take the Bar Association oath of office, we promise to “uphold the Constitution”. But what is in the Constitution? Have you ever actually read it? (And I’m not talking about the Cliff Notes version!)

These past several years, I’ve had the pleasure and honor of meeting two Supreme Court Justices (Justice Alito and Justice Thomas) and having dinner with another (Justice Scalia). All are extremely intelligent men whose main job it is to interpret the Constitution and its Amendments (there are 27). Here are some (I hope) fascinating facts about the Constitution and the men and women who have and still do interpret it for us: (I hope these peak your curiosity enough to make you want to give it a read!)

1. The U.S. Constitution has 4,440 words. It is the oldest and shortest written constitution of any government in the world.
2. Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence, never signed the Constitution. He was serving as U.S. Minister to France (now called Ambassador) at the time of the convention.
3. At first, the Constitution wasn’t even called the “Constitution” – it was called “The Articles of Confederation”.
4. When the Constitution was signed in 1787 in Philadelphia, the U.S. population was 4 million. Now we are approaching 300 million. Philadelphia was the nation’s largest city with 40,000 inhabitants.
5. At least seven Constitutional Amendments were passed in order to reverse Supreme Court decisions. Some of the most

notable ones: the Thirteenth Amendment (1865), barring slavery, and the Fifteenth Amendment (1868), protecting the citizenship of African Americans, effectively overturned the Dred Scott v. Sandford decision of 1857. The Sixteenth Amendment (1913) gave Congress the power to levy an income tax, which had been previously outlawed by the Supreme Court in Pollock v. Farmer’s Loan & Trust (1895). And the Twenty-Sixth Amendment (1971) overturned Oregon v. Mitchell which, among other things, held that Congress could not regulate the voting age in state elections. The Amendment set the voting age at 18 years.

6. The Constitution does not set forth requirements for the right to vote. At the outset of the Union, only male property owners could vote. African Americans were not considered citizens, and women were excluded from the electoral process.
7. To Amend the Constitution, a proposal must be supported by 2/3rds of the House and Senate and 3/4ths of the States. As a result, of the thousands of proposed Amendments, only 27 have passed.
8. The oldest person to sign the Constitution was Benjamin Franklin (81). The youngest was Jonathan Dayton of New Jersey (26).

Supreme Court

1. At the Supreme Court’s first session in 1790, a single justice showed up wearing a white wig (Justice William Cushing) that he had worn on the Massachusetts bench. He took so much ribbing for it he discarded it.
2. In 1790, the Chief Justice’s salary was \$4,000 (slightly less than my starting salary in 1972) while Associate Justices

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Board of Directors Meeting Attendance

	July Retreat	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar No Meeting
Guari	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Howe	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	
Martinez-Schwab	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
McCabe	x	x	x	x	x	x	Jenks	x	
Poulton	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Rabin	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Sasser	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Schuler	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
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Whittles	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	

Volunteers needed to serve on committees

This is the time of year that the president-elect, Michelle Suskauer, will begin working on appointing volunteers to serve on the various Bar committees. Your involvement is essential to the success of this organization. Please give us the benefit of your ideas and talents by volunteering to serve on one or more of our committees. If you are currently serving on a committee, please be sure to fill out the form to indicate your willingness to continue serving. Committee preference forms were recently e-mailed to all Bar members. Additionally, the form is also available on-line at the Bar’s web site – www.palmbeachbar.org. Please take the time to volunteer to serve YOUR Bar Association.





Palm Beach County Bar Association LEADERSHIP FOR LAWYERS SEMINAR

Friday, May 8, 2009

8:00 a. m. - 1:15 p.m.

Palm Beach County Bar Association Office,
1601 Belvedere Road, Suite 302E



This program is designed to help attorneys develop the skills necessary to become leaders with respect to professional, ethical and community service issues with a goal of raising the overall professional standards of lawyers in the community.

Program Schedule

- 8:30am - 9:00am** **Late Registration**
- 9:00am - 9:10am** **Welcome and Opening Remarks** - *Michael J. Napoleone, Richman Greer, Chairperson*
- 9:10am - 11:15am** **Five Themes of Leadership: The Hard Science and Soft Skills You Need to be a Great Leader**
Great leaders know that leadership encompasses far more than mere technical or administrative expertise. And just like other skills, leadership skills must be constantly refined and improved to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing world. Great leadership involves communication and listening, coaching, giving feedback, team building, delegating, resolving conflict and self-management. You'll leave this presentation understanding what it takes to be a truly great leader.
Nora Riva Bergman, Practice Advisor, Atticus, Inc.
- 11:15am - 11:30am** **Break**
- 11:30am - 12:30pm** **Lead, don't follow:** Panel Discussion about the importance of taking on a leadership role, the benefits of leadership and involvement, and building your reputation. - *The Honorable Patricia A. Seitz, U.S. District Court—Southern District of Florida and past Florida Bar President; Senator David Aronberg; The Honorable Peter D. Blanc, 15th Judicial Circuit; Scott G. Hawkins, Florida Bar Board of Governors; and the Honorable Edward Rodgers, Retired, 15th Judicial Circuit*
- 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **Lunch and Dessert Reception**

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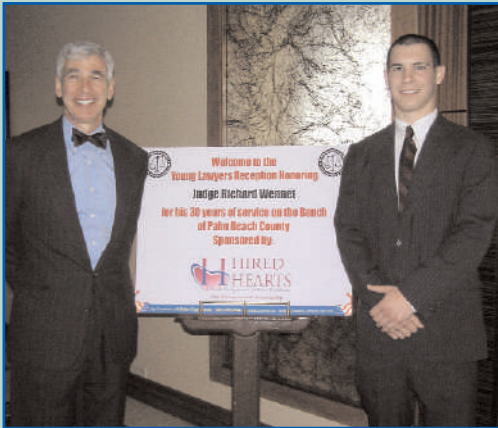
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Young Lawyers Section Honors Judge Richard Wennet



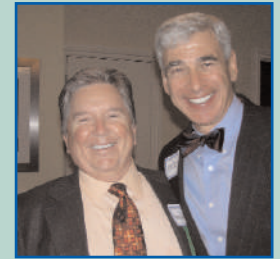
About 140 members attended a reception honoring Judge Richard Wennet hosted by the Young Lawyers Section. Judge Wennet is pictured above with his son, Richard, Jr.



Bob Bergin and David Glatthorn



Laurie Cohen and Amy Fischer



Bar President Richard Schuler with Judge Wennet



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Undertaker's Doctrine

by Ted Babbitt

The Undertaker's Doctrine in Florida has nothing to do with burying

people. It relates instead to the responsibility of one who undertakes by contract or gratuitously to aid one in peril and fails to act as a reasonable man in carrying out that aid. The recent Florida Supreme Court opinion of Wallace v. Dean, 34 Fla. L. Weekly S52 (Fla. Jan. 22, 2009) explains the current Florida law both with respect to the Undertaker's Doctrine as well as the parameters of sovereign immunity.

The plaintiff in that wrongful death action suffered a dismissal of her claim with prejudice when she sued the Sheriff of Marion County for the actions of his Deputy in answering a call to come to the aid of plaintiff's decedent who had been found unconscious in her home. The Deputies, when asked to do so, failed to call an ambulance and assured the plaintiff and her mother's neighbors that her mother was merely sleeping despite the fact that they had literally screamed at her and shaken her violently enough to move her across her bed.

The case involved two issues. First, whether the Sheriff had any duty to act nonnegligently as to plaintiff's decedent and, second, if such a duty existed and negligence ensued, did sovereign immunity bar the action.

The Fifth District had affirmed the Circuit Court's order of dismissal on the theory, inter alia, that the Deputy's actions were merely passive nonfeasance rather than an act of negligence and at the most "poor judgment." The Supreme Court made short work of that argument stating:

"A failure to conform to the standard [of care] is negligence, therefore, even if it is due to clumsiness, stupidity, forgetfulness, an excitable temperament, or even sheer ignorance. An honest blunder, or a mistaken belief that no damage will result, may

absolve the actor from moral blame, but the harm to others is still as great, and the actor's individual standards must give way in this area of the law to those of the public. In other words, society may require a person not to be awkward or a fool."

In answering the question of whether or not the Sheriff, through his Deputies, had a duty to plaintiff's decedent, the Court explained the underpinning of the "Undertaker's Doctrine." At S55, the Court held:

"As this Court recognized over sixty years ago in Banfield v. Addington, '[i]n every situation where a man undertakes to act, . . . he is under an implied legal obligation or duty to act with reasonable care, to the end that the person or property of others may not be injured.' 104 Fla. At 667, 140 So. At 896....

Voluntarily undertaking to do an act that if not accomplished with due care might increase the risk of harm to others or might result in harm to others due to their reliance upon the undertaking confers a duty of reasonable care, because it thereby 'creates a foreseeable zone of risk.' McCain v. Florida Power Corp., 593 So. 2d 500 (Fla. 1992); Kowkabany, 606 So. 2d at 720-21...."

(Emphasis supplied by Court.)

Here the Sheriff's agents, responding to a 911 call, entered the decedent's home and assessed her safety and assured her neighbors and her daughter by phone that she was only asleep and didn't need medical attention. In fact, she was in a diabetic coma and died after being taken to a hospital the next day. At S56 the Court explains why this subjects the Sheriff to liability under the Undertaker's Doctrine.

"[w]here... the actor's assistance has put the other in a worse position than he was in before, either because the actual danger of harm to the other *has been increased by the partial performance, or because the*

other, in reliance upon the undertaking, has been induced to forego other opportunities of obtaining assistance, the actor is not free to discontinue his services where a reasonable man would not do so. He will then be required to exercise reasonable care to terminate his services in such a manner that there is no unreasonable risk of harm to the other, or to continue them until they can be so terminated." (Emphasis supplied by Court.)

Having determined that the allegations of the complaint satisfactorily raised an issue which stated a cause of action because the Deputies' actions created a duty to nonnegligently perform their responsibilities, the Court next turned to the question of whether the action was nevertheless barred by sovereign immunity. To answer that question, the Court returned to the four part test contained in Commercial Carrier Corp. v. Indian River County, 371 So. 2d 1010 (Fla. 1979). That test requires at least one negative answer to one of the following four questions. First, does the challenged act, omission or decision necessarily involve a basic governmental policy, program, or objective? Second, is the questioned act, omission or decision essential to the realization or accomplishment of that policy, program, or objective as opposed to one which would not change the course or direction of the policy, program, or objective? Third, does the act, omission, or decision require the exercise of basic policy evaluation, judgment and expertise on the part of the governmental agency involved and finally, does the governmental agency involved possess the requisite constitutional, statutory, or lawful authority and duty to do or make the challenged act, omission, or decision? See Commercial Carrier, 371 So. 2d at 1019. Clearly a yes answer is required to both the first and fourth questions but the Court found that as to the second and

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Undertaker's Doctrine

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third questions the answer would be a decidedly clear “no.” The Court reasoned as to the second question that performing a safety check more diligently would not in any way change the course or direction of the policy performing those checks and the Deputies did not have to exercise planning level evaluation or judgment. At S57, the Court held:

“Based upon our review of these questions, we hold that the alleged actions of the deputies’ were undertaken, within the scope of their employment and were clearly operational in nature. Subjecting the Sheriff to responsibility and accountability in this case does not involve judicial scrutiny of any

discretionary, quasi-legislative policy-making or planning; instead, such a legal inquiry will merely require the trier of fact to determine – consistent with traditional principles of Florida tort law – whether the deputies should have acted in a manner more consistent with the safety of the decedent. See *Kaisner*, 543 So. 2d at 737-38. The traditional principles of tort law implicated in this case in no way present a nonjusticiable political question.”

The Court was careful to explain that the test of whether actions of a governmental employee are discretionary and, therefore, immune from suit or operational and, therefore, not immune from suit, therefore, does not relate to the

dictionary definition of discretion. Every voluntary act of a human being involves some discretion. Instead the test is as stated by the Court at S57:

“... discretion in the *Commercial Carrier* sense refers to discretion at the *policy making or planning level*.” (emphasis supplied).

“*Planning level functions* are generally interpreted to be those requiring basic policy decisions, while *operational level functions* are those that implement policy.” (Emphasis supplied by Court.)

This four to three decision of the Florida Supreme Court explains and clarifies the Undertaker's Doctrine as well as the limits of sovereign immunity in Florida.

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- made \$3,500. Now, the Chief Justice makes \$217,400 and Associate Justices \$208,100.
3. The “conference handshake” tradition began in the late 1800's by Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller. Before they take their seats at the Bench, each justice shakes hands with the others. Chief Justice Fuller felt that this was a good way to remind the Justices that, although they may have differences of opinion, they share a common purpose.
 4. The longest serving Justice was William O. Douglas from 4/17/39 to 11/12/75 – 36 years, 209 days. At 40 years old, he was the second youngest to be appointed. Joseph Story of Massachusetts was the youngest at 32 years old. The oldest sitting Justice was Oliver Wendell Holmes who served until age 90.
 5. Samuel Chase was the only Supreme

- Court Justice to be impeached. The politically motivated charges failed in the Senate, however, in 1805.
6. Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase was the only Justice to appear on U.S. Currency. He was on the \$10,000 bill, which is no longer printed.
 7. George Washington appointed the most Supreme Court Justices (11) and only Franklin D. Roosevelt came close with 9 appointments. Jimmy Carter was the only full term President to have no appointments. William Taft was the only President to also serve as a Supreme Court Justice.

To actually read the Constitution and its first 10 Amendments (Bill of Rights) – you can log on to www.constitutionfacts.com or send to the ABA at 541 North Fairbanks Court, Chicago, IL 60611-3314 for a handy pocket version like the one I carry with me.

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Program Schedule

8:30am - 8:55am	Late Registration and Check In
8:55am - 9:00am	Welcome - Michael J. Gelfand, Esq., Committee Chairperson, Gelfand & Arpe, P.A.
9:00am - 9:20am	View from the Bench: Practical and Ethical Considerations for Appearances Before the Bankruptcy Court - Honorable Erik P. Kimball, United States Bankruptcy Court
9:20am - 9:40am	Assessment Collection: Times of Trouble and Ethical Considerations - Jeffrey A. Rembaum, Esq., Siegfried, Rivera, Lerner, De La Torre & Sobel, P.A
9:40am - 10:05am	Ethically Coordinating Claims with Insurance Counsel, Including Fair Housing Claims - Ron Campbell, Esq., and Miles A. McGrane IV, Esq., Cole, Scott & Kissane, P.A
10:05am - 10:30am	Fair Housing Law: Case Law Update and Ethical Expectations - Pamela Guerrier, Esq., Palm Beach County Office of Equal Opportunity
10:30am - 10:45am	BREAK
10:45am - 11:20am	Construction Defects: Common Law, Statutory Law and Ethical Issues - Bruce G. Alexander, Esq., Board Certified Construction Law, Casey Ciklin Lubitz Martens & O'Connell
11:20am - 12:00pm	Case Law and Statutory Law Update and Practice Ethics - Michael J. Gelfand, Esq., Board Certified Real Estate, Gelfand & Arpe, P.A.

This course is expected to receive **3.5 CLER including 3.5 Ethics credits / Certification credits are pending** from The Florida Bar

The cost of the seminar is \$125 for PBCBA members/paralegals; \$165 for non-PBCBA members/paralegals if registered by 5/29/09; add \$25.00 after that date. ***This seminar is for attorneys only.***

If a phone reservation is made and we do not receive payment and you do not attend, you will be charged \$25. All refund requests must be made no later than 48 hours prior to the date of the seminar.

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The Madoff Fraud And The Role of SIPC

Submitted By: Marc P. Barmat

Thanks to the now infamous Bernard L. Madoff, we have heard a lot about "SIPC." But what is SIPC and what role does it play with investors who have lost substantial amounts of money as a result of the Madoff fraud?

The Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970 ("SIPA") established the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC"). SIPC is a quasi governmental agency whose focus is to restore funds to investors with assets in the hands of bankrupt and otherwise financially troubled brokerage firms.

When a brokerage firm is closed due to bankruptcy or other financial difficulties and customer assets are missing, SIPC steps in and, within certain limits, works to return customers' cash, stock and other securities. Without SIPC, investors at financially troubled brokerage firms might lose their securities or money forever or wait for years while their assets are tied up in court. Although not every investor is protected by SIPC, according to SIPC's

website (www.sipc.org) no fewer than 99 percent of persons who are eligible get their investments back from SIPC.

SIPC does not cover individuals who are sold worthless stocks and other securities. SIPC helps individuals whose money, stocks and other securities are stolen by a broker or put at risk when a brokerage fails for other reasons. SIPC administers the SIPC Fund from which advances are made to satisfy customer claims. The fund is supported by assessments on SIPC member firms and its assets total \$1.7 billion. In addition, SIPC maintains a commercial line of credit with an international consortium of banks, and by statute, has a \$1 billion line of credit with the United States Treasury.

In the Madoff case, after Bernard Madoff confessed to having stolen customer property over a period of many years, a SIPC liquidation proceeding was initiated for his company, Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities, LLC. A SIPC liquidation is a specialized form of a bankruptcy.

Unfortunately, the maximum amount

under SIPA that SIPC can advance to any one claimant is \$500,000.00, even if the claimant has a much higher valid claim. The extent of recovery by customers beyond the \$500,000.00 maximum advanced by SIPC depends upon the amount of customer property that the trustee is able to recover on behalf of all victims. In the Madoff case, for example, a victim who has a valid claim for \$10 million would only be eligible for a maximum of \$500,000.00 from SIPC plus their pro rata share of what ever property is recovered by the trustee. It is estimated that Madoff's victims have claims of approximately \$50 billion and that SIPC has identified approximately \$830 million in liquid assets that may be subject to recovery. Accordingly, there is very little chance that most of Madoff's victims will ever be made financially whole.

This article was submitted by Marc Barmat, Furr and Cohen, P.A., One Boca Place, Suite 337 West, 2255 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL 33431; mbarmat@furrcohen.com

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Streamlining Technology in Your Business

By John Vighetto, Vighetto Networking, Inc.

In today's economy, reducing as much overhead as possible with regards to technology is critical. Companies have always been faced with the constant changing, upgrading, and maintenance of their company's network infrastructure; however now more than ever, if certain steps are implemented in a timely fashion, you may not have to postpone a project; and more importantly, avoid reducing your staff size.

One of the ways technology costs can be cut is to closely review your service and maintenance contracts for items such as telephones, copiers, and multifunction devices. If your contract is almost up, now would be the best time to renegotiate your terms (make sure that you're never locked into a contract longer than 3 years – preferably less). You also want to make sure that your existing provider does not have you set up for an automatic renewal on the contract you signed. Try to see if

“bundling” services for either telephones and/or copiers/multifunction devices will cut some costs. For example, if your company has already downsized its support staff, do you really need those extra telephone lines right now? If your copier lease is close to renewal, you might opt to switch out your older copier/MFP (Multi-Function Printer) for a newer, faster, more feature rich MFP that will cost you less money, produce more, and (if you're not already taking advantage of this feature) print less paper by scanning to PDF (Portable Document Format).

Ever wonder why you no longer get a printed manual with any hardware you purchase? That's because the industry has figured out they can cut costs by printing their documentation either on a CD/DVD, or simply put it up on their website. Why can't you do the same? Think you can't because Adobe Acrobat would cost you somewhere around \$450 for each workstation? Well, if you don't need to open up and edit a PDF file, you can download this free PDF writer from (<http://www.cutepdf.com/>). It's completely free of charge. If you need the latest

Adobe Acrobat Reader, simply download it from <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>.

Are you agonizing about having to upgrade your existing workstations and/or laptops because either Microsoft or your current LOB (Line of Business) application will not provide support to older versions of their software? A good rule of thumb would be to purchase the recommended (not the minimum) hardware requirements and then scale up by a factor of 25%. Now, your existing workstation/laptop can be wiped clean, reloaded with a fresh copy of the operating system, the required software used to run your business, and give this to your support staff. In turn, their equipment can be wiped completely clean of all data, and that system can be donated to a local charity or educational institution.

Another way around hardware system upgrades is to invest in a server that would be used for running “virtual” workstations within your company's network. This server would be running either Windows XP or Vista workstations entirely from the server's memory. By doing this, you're automatically cutting out all of your hardware costs because the “workstations” are now hardware independent. Some of the advantages of virtualization are lower support, maintenance, energy, and inventory costs. If you need to quickly ramp up your support staff, this can be done by creating new “sessions”. The great news about this is that you don't have to allocate room for the increased staff size because these virtual sessions can be accessed remotely by the user.

These are only a few suggestions to ease the pain of the current economic shift. I'm sure that this will help you start to analyse what more you can do to cut down office costs (and hopefully not people). It would be wise to review the items above as well as other methods for saving money with your current IT consultant or company.

I welcome any and all suggestions for future technology articles. I can be reached by email at john@vighettonetworking.com, or through my website at <http://vighettonetworking.com>. Vighetto Networking, Inc. has been providing network support for the Palm Beach County Bar Association for over 10 years.



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The Palm Beach County Bar Association's
Environmental & Land Use Law Committee presents:

*“Extreme Makeover City Addition -
The City of West Palm Beach’s New Downtown Master Plan ”*

Thursday, May 21, 2009 - 3:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
Flagler Gallery, City Hall, 401 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, FL



Program Schedule

- 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Late Registration**
- 3:30 p.m. - 3:35 p.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks - Jeffrey A. Collier, Esq.,
Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Committee Chairperson**
- 3:35 p.m. - 4:35 p.m. Panel Discussion - City of West Palm Beach Revised Downtown Master Plan -
The Ins and Outs of The New Regulations -
Claudia M. McKenna, Esq., West Palm Beach City Attorney
Charles Wu, AICP, Planning Director, City of West Palm Beach
Ana Maria Aponte, AICP, City Urban Designer, City of West Palm Beach
Matthew Flis, AICP, Senior Urban Designer, City of West Palm Beach**
- 4:35 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Downtown Master Plan Q & A and Tour of New City Center**
- 5:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Happy Hour/Networking - Downtown Location TBD (Clematis by Night)**

This course is expected to receive **2.0 CLE credits** from The Florida Bar, and **2.0 CM Certification Maintenance credits** for planners from the American Planning Association (APA).

The cost of the seminar is \$35.00 for Planners & PBCBA member attorneys/
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North County Section

18 Local Charities Receive Support from the North County Section

For the second year in row, the North County Section received a charitable donation from national talk show host and Palm Beach resident Rush Limbaugh. Thanks to his generous gift, the Board of Directors donated a total of \$95,000 to 18 different charities from Friends of Abused Children to the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County.



Pictured from left to right:
Front: Larry Buck, Michael Slavin, Debra Jenks, Adam Doner, Ryon McCabe, Mitch Beers and Donna Adams.
Back: Ron Ponzoli, Jerry Beers, Ken Johnson and Ned Reagan.

Members of the North County Section recently enjoyed cocktails and conversation at the Yard House. Close to 100 lawyers and judges attended the event.



Val Rodriguez (second from right) with North County Section Board members Greg Yaffa, Ned Reagan and NCS President Ryon McCabe



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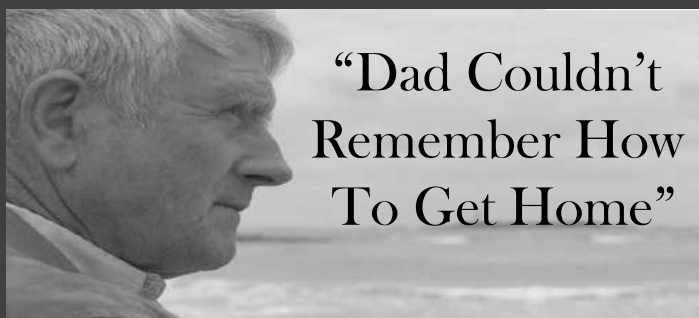
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Rights That Terminate at Death

By David M. Garten, Esq.

The purpose of the article is to explore those rights that terminate at death, i.e., those rights that are not enforceable either by or against the decedent's estate.

PRIVACY RIGHTS: Privacy rights are personal and die with the individual. See Nester v. Posner, 857 So. 2d 953 (Fla. 3rd DCA 2003). In Nester, the decedent's employees signed confidentiality agreements which barred the disclosure of any information regarding the decedent's private life, finances, state of mind, health, etc. One of the employees was a witness to the decedent's will. When the decedent's grandchildren sought information from the employee concerning the decedent's testamentary capacity and possible undue influence, the PR sued the grandchildren for tortious interference with the employee's confidentiality agreement. The grandchildren moved to have the confidentiality agreements nullified so they can conduct informal discovery interviews with the decedent's employees. The appellate court, in affirming the trial court's order nullifying the agreement as to the decedent's employee, reasoned that the PR could not enforce the agreement against the employee because the decedent's privilege did not survive his death. Privacy rights are personal and die with the individual. Although the agreement survives the employee's employment, there is no provision that requires confidentiality after the decedent's death.

CONTRACTS "PERSONAL" TO THE DECEDENT: A PR can properly refuse to perform the decedent's contract when the contract is "personal" to the decedent. A contract is "personal" to the decedent when the contract contemplates only the personal performance of the decedent, i.e., the PR could not perform as fully and as well as the decedent might have. See Bloom v. K & K Pipe & Supply Co., 390 So. 2d 770 (Fla. 4th DCA 1980) and Gunderson v. Sch. Dist., 937 So. 2d 777 (Fla. 1st DCA 2006).

In Bloom, the decedent sold all of

his stock of a corporation to another stockholder. In connection with that transaction, the decedent entered into a contract pursuant to which he agreed neither to compete with the corporation nor answer questions relating to the corporation's business, in exchange for which, the decedent was to receive weekly payments for 10 years and two months. The decedent died after about one year, and the corporation stopped making the weekly payments provided for in the contract. The PR sued on the contract for the weekly payments. The appellate court, in affirming the trial court's dismissal of the complaint, reasoned that the covenant required the decedent to "answer any questions and respond to any request for information from K & K..." This covenant became impossible to enforce because of the decedent's death. Since the contract contemplated only the personal performance of the decedent and prohibited only the decedent from performing certain actions, the purpose of the contract was frustrated by the death of the decedent and therefore, became unenforceable by the PR.

In Frankel v. Bernstein, 334 So. 2d 37 (Fla. 3rd DCA 1976), the lessee entered into a lease of an apartment owned by lessors for a term of two years, to commence on the day following the termination date of her existing lease. The lessee died several months prior to the commencement of the second lease. Lessors filed an action against lessee's estate to enforce the renewal lease. The appellate court, in affirming the trial court's dismissal of the cause of action for accrued unpaid rent under the renewal lease, reasoned that under the terms of the lease it was meant only to have been a personal obligation of the lessee, namely her personal residence, and as such there was the implied condition that her death would have terminated the lease. But see Kensington Assocs. v. Moss, 426 So.2d 1076 (Fla. 4th DCA 1983)(A PR is liable under a lease if the lease contains a clause binding the heirs, executors, and assigns of the decedent/lessee and/or contained a clause allowing the

decedent/lessee or his successors to assign the lease. Such language diminishes the personal nature of the lease terms.).

In Gunderson v. Sch. Dist., 937 So. 2d 777 (Fla. 1st DCA 2006), the decedent and his employer entered into a settlement of a workers' compensation claim before the decedent's passing. The agreement required the decedent to execute a general release and a voluntary resignation and stated that it was effective and binding upon the entry of an order approving a motion for attorney's fees. The decedent failed to execute either a general release or sign a voluntary resignation prior to his death. The widow, as PR, sought and received an order approving her motion for attorney's fees and later executed a general release and voluntary resignation on her husband's behalf. The appellate court, in reversing the trial court's order denying the PR's request to enforce the agreement, reasoned: "The main purpose of this settlement agreement was to bring to a close all litigation regarding the claimant's workers' compensation claims in return for a settlement payment. The duty of performance on the claimant's part was a duty which could statutorily be performed by his representative in the event of his death through the effectuation of the necessary documents. These were not duties which the claimant's death rendered impossible to perform. More importantly, the death of a claimant following the execution of a settlement agreement will not affect the agreement's enforcement if the personal representative can show that a binding contract was reached."

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS: A person's constitutional rights terminate at death. If any rights exist, they belong to the decedent's next of kin. See State v. Powell, 497 So. 2d 1188 (Fla. 1986)(parents' action claiming damages for the alleged wrongful removal of their sons' corneas and seeking a judgment declaring §732.9185, F.S. unconstitutional); Crocker v. Pleasant, 778 So. 2d 978 (Fla. 2001)(county's alleged violation of due process rights for failing to notify parents of their son's death).

ALIMONY: An obligation to pay

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The Estate and Probate Continuing Legal Education Committee presents:

The 26th Annual Estate and Probate Seminar
Wednesday, May 13, 2009 - 8:55a.m.- 5:00p.m.
Crowne Plaza West Palm Beach, 1601 Belvedere Rd., West Palm Beach, FL

Program Schedule

- 8:30a.m. - 8:55a.m. Late Registration and Check In
8:55a.m. - 9:00a.m. Welcome & Opening Remarks - Brian M. O'Connell, Esq., Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates, Casey Ciklin Lubitz Martens & O'Connell, Committee Chair
9:00a.m. - 10:30a.m. Case Law Update - J. B. Murray, Esq., Squire Sanders & Dempsey
10:30a.m. - 10:40a.m. Break
10:40a.m. - 11:10a.m. Legislative Update - Deborah L. Boje, Esq., Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates, Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, P.A.
11:10a.m. - 11:40a.m. Tax Law Update - Michael A. Lampert, Esq., Bd. Certified Tax Law, Michael Lampert, P.A.
11:40a.m. - 12:00p.m. Judicial Update - Honorable John L. Phillips, 15th Judicial Circuit
12:00p.m. - 1:00p.m. Lunch, including a presentation by State Attorney Michael McAuliffe, and Detective Sean Bozdech, PBSO regarding Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office handling of crimes against the elderly.
1:00p.m. - 1:45p.m. Topic TBA - Rohan Kelley, Esq., Bd. Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates, The Kelley Law Firm
1:45p.m. - 2:15p.m. Ethical and Professional Considerations in Dealing with a Non-Performing or Malperforming Fiduciary - Michael D. Simon, Esq., Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A.
2:15p.m. - 2:45p.m. Dealing with Real Estate in Estate Administration During Uncertain Economic Times - Warren E. Avis, Esq., Board Certified Real Estate, Avis & Avis, P.A.
2:45p.m. - 3:00p.m. Break
3:00p.m. - 3:45p.m. Effective Use of Mediation in Probate Litigation - Peter Forman, Esq., Gutter Chaves Josepher Rubin Forman Fleisher, P.A.
3:45p.m. - 4:15p.m. Post-Death Challenges to Marriage and Spousal Rights: Out of the Frying Pan and Into the Fire - John C. Moran, Esq., Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A.
4:15p.m. - 5:00p.m. Coping with the New Florida Trust Code - an Examination of Glitches and Gotcha's - Abraham M. Mora, Esq., Bd. Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates, Kaye, Scholer, LLP and David M. Garten, Esq., Law Offices of David M. Garten

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alimony ceases upon the death of the obligor, unless that person expressly agrees that the estate shall be bound to continue to pay alimony after his death. See *O'Malley v. Pan Am Bank of Orlando*, N.A., 384 So. 2d 1258 (Fla. 1980); *Faile v.*

Fleming, 763 So. 2d 459 (Fla. 4th DCA 2000). Compare *Sobelman v. Sobelman*, 541 So. 2d 1153 (Fla. 1989)(life insurance proceeds are not postmortem alimony. Upon the death of an insured, the insurance company, not the insured's estate, pays the insurance proceeds to the beneficiary).

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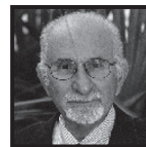
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Below you'll find pictures taken from classrooms throughout the area. Many thanks to all our members who volunteered their time.



(pictured from left to right)
 Carlyn Kowalsky (*Sam and the Firefly*); Christopher Pettit (*Is there Really a Human Race*); Susan Martin (*Horton Hears a Who*); Sarah Nall (*Go Dog Go*); Sheryl Wood (*The Cat in the Hat*); and Ed Artau (*Words for America*).
 (Hanging from the tree:) Michael Compagno (*Stellaluna*); and Keith Rizzardi (*Where the Wild Things Are*).

Where are the wild things?

Lawyers from the South Florida Water Management District dress in character for their reading assignment at Melaleuca Elementary School in West Palm Beach.



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- 8:15am - 8:30am **Welcome and Opening Remarks** - *Steven D. Rubin, Esq., Board Certified Real Estate Lawyer, Real Estate Committee Chairperson*
- 8:30am - 9:15am **Real Estate Statutory and Case Law Update, and Ethical Considerations** - *Michael J. Gelfand, Esq., Board Certified Real Estate Lawyer, Gelfand and Arpe, P.A.*
- 9:15am - 9:45am **Searching For and Clearing County and Municipal Hidden Liens, and Ethical Considerations** - *Deborah Boyd, Esq., Board Certified Real Estate Lawyer, First American Title Insurance Company*
- 9:45am - 10:30am **Evolution of Short Sales and REO Properties, Including New Government Programs and Ethical Considerations** - *Chandra P. Doucette, Esq., Law Office of Chandra P. Doucette*
- 10:30am - 10:45am **Break**
- 10:45am - 11:15am **RESPA Red Alert: New HUD Format Requirement** - *Deborah Boyd, Esq., Board Certified Real Estate Lawyer, First American Title Insurance Company*
- 11:15am - 12:00pm **Treatment of Mortgage and Other Real Property Secured Liens in Bankruptcy, and Ethical Considerations** - *Alan R. Crane, Esq., Furr and Cohen, P.A.*
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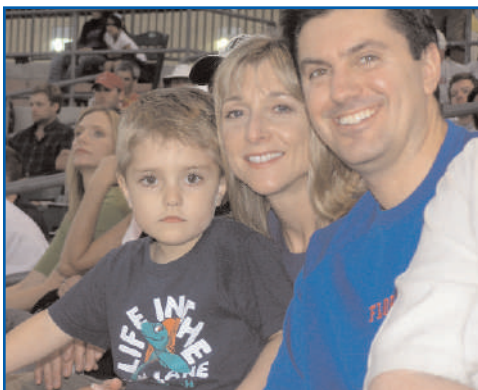
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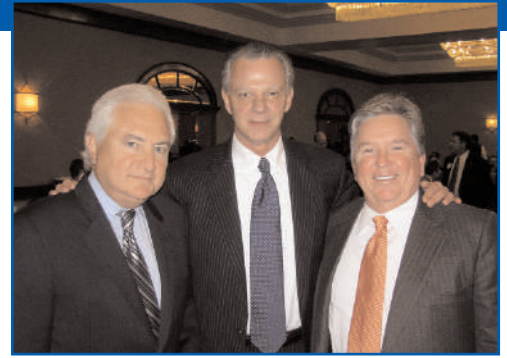
A luncheon for members of the South County and Palm Beach County Bar Associations was recently held at the Marriott in Boca Raton. The keynote speaker was Jay White, President of The Florida Bar. More than 100 members and judges attended this annual event.



Marc Dobin, Brian LaBovick and Ron Bornstein.



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May 2009

Friday, May 1, 11:45am – 1:00pm
Law Day Luncheon
Guest Speaker:
The Hon. James Martz
Marriott West Palm Beach

Thursday, May 7, 8:30am – 4:45pm
TFB Videotaped Seminar "Basic Labor & Employment Law"
Bar Association Office

Friday, May 8, 8:00am – 1:00pm
Leadership Seminar
Bar Association Office

Saturday, May 9
Legal Aid Pro Bono Night
Palm Beach County
Convention Center

Tuesday, May 12, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
Unified Family Practice Committee Meeting
Law Library Conference Room

Tuesday, May 12, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
YLS Executive Committee Meeting
Bar Association Office

Tuesday, May 12, 5:30pm – 7:30pm
Dinner to Honor Justice Jorge Labarga
Marriott WPB

Wednesday, May 13, 8:30am – 5:00pm
Estate & Probate CLE Seminar
Crowne Plaza Hotel, WPB

Wednesday, May 13, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
YLS/CPA's Happy Hour

Thursday, May 14, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
South Palm Beach Co. FAWL Lunch
Bogart's Bar & Grill,
Muvico Palace
Airport Rd., Boca Raton

Friday, May 15, 11:30am – 1:00pm
SOLO Luncheon "Speed Networking"
Bar Association Office

Tuesday, May 19, 11:45am – 1:00pm
Judicial Luncheon
Main Courthouse,
North end of Cafeteria

Tuesday, May 19, 5:30pm – 7:30pm
Texas Hold'em Tournament
Mar Iguanas, 901 Village Blvd., WPB

Wednesday, May 20, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
FAWL Annual Installation Luncheon

Thursday, May 21, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
UFC Committee Meeting
Main Courthouse Law Library

Thursday, May 21, 3:30pm – 5:00pm
Environmental & Land Use CLE Seminar
Location TBA

Thursday, May 21, 5:30pm – 6:00pm
North County Section's Jurist of the Year Dinner
Ruths' Chris, North Palm Beach

Friday, May 22, 12:00pm – 1:00pm
Federal Bar Meeting
The Colony Hotel, Palm Beach

Monday, May 25
Court Holiday - Memorial Day
Bar Office Closed

Tuesday, May 26, 5:30pm – 6:30pm
Legal Aid Board Meeting
Bar Association Office

Thursday, May 28, 5:00pm – 6:00pm
PBCBA Board of Directors Meeting
Bar Association Office

Friday, May 29 – May 30
PB Justice Association Fishing Tournament

Saturday, May 30, 7:00pm – 11:00pm
South County Bar Association Banquet

