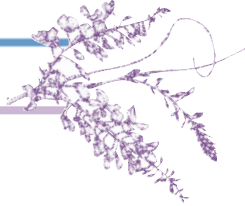




# MONTHLY BULLETIN

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## President's Comments



### LAWYERS, WORK AND TIME

We have all heard the saying “a lawyer’s time is his stock and trade” a thousand times. Right, but we collectively pay no particular heed to what the saying means.

Each one of us knows and remembers, the difficulties endured to get our “tickets” as lawyers. We can tell you endless stories of having to stand and deliver our brief of a case to the class or the abject despair of attempting to answer some awful, convoluted question on the bar exam, only to later listen to our classmates render what their answers to the question were.

Each one of us can bore you to tears about the trials, failures and unappreciated victories of being a young lawyer. Not even going to the starvation wages paid or the ridiculous hours worked!

All of those horrors aside, it seems to me that we fail miserably in the question of the use of our time. Just like all of you, I have inventoried where all of my hours, days and years have come and gone, or will come and go. It is a sobering contemplation. You and I have never been able to just relax and enjoy “non-lawyering”.

June means the vacation season is in full swing. For goodness sake take a generous amount of time to enjoy those closest to you, be it wives, children, grandchildren or parents. Just stop and listen to them, it is fascinating. Sure, going to kids’ baseball or soccer games is “family time”....sort of, but it is not listening and talking, and oh, by the way, put the beer can in the garbage while you’re doing it.

Start the summer right, taking good care of your time. Also, have you taken time to explain to your kids, how to catch a doodle bug .... or what one is .... or the last time you actually saw one?

Enjoy!



### PROGRAM

ON FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2014,  
11:45 AM,

THE BATTLE HOUSE HOTEL  
MOONLIGHT BALLROOM  
THE PROGRAM WILL BE

#### SPEAKER:

ANTHONY AARON “TONY” JOSEPH,  
PRESIDENT ALABAMA STATE BAR

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## *Browsing the Bar – With Barbara*



If you ever testify in court, you might wish you could have been as sharp as this policeman.

He was being cross-examined by a defense attorney during a felony trial. The lawyer was trying to undermine the police officer's credibility.

Q: 'Officer---did you see my client fleeing the scene?'

A: "No sir. But I subsequently observed a person matching the description of the offender, running several blocks away.'

Q: 'Officer, who provided the description?'

A: 'The officer who responded to the scene.'

Q: 'A fellow officer provided the description of this so-called offender. Do you trust your fellow officers?'

A: 'Yes, sir. With my life.'

Q: 'With your life? Let me ask you this then officer. Do you have a room where you change your clothes in preparation for your daily duties?'

A: 'Yes sir, we do!'

Q: 'And do you have a locker in the room?'

A: 'Yes, sir, I do.'

Q: 'And do you have a lock on your locker?'

A: 'Yes, sir.'

Q: 'Now, why is it, officer, if you trust your fellow officers with your life, you find it necessary to lock your locker in a room you share with these same officers?'

A: 'You see, sir, we share the building with the court complex, and sometimes lawyers have been known to walk through that room.'

Needless to say, the courtroom EXPLODED with laughter, and a prompt recess was called.



# LAWYERS IN THE NEWS

By SANDY G. ROBINSON

## LEGAL MILESTONES:

**MARRIED:** JOEL M. EVEREST, SON OF MBA MEMBER MARK EVEREST, AND JESSICA A. SHAVER WERE MARRIED ON APRIL 26, 2014 AT THE WYNFIELD ESTATE IN MONTGOMERY. THE COUPLE HONEYMOONED IN NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA AND ARE BOTH PRACTICING LAWYERS IN BIRMINGHAM—THE BRIDE IS AN ASSOCIATE AT **MAYNARD COOPER AND GALE**, AND THE GROOM RECENTLY LEFT **MAYNARD COOPER**, WITH OTHERS, TO OPEN THE BIRMINGHAM OFFICE OF **BRESSLER, AMERY AND ROSS**.

**MARRIED:** SARAH BRITTEN HUME, DAUGHTER OF MBA MEMBER CHRIS HUME, WAS MARRIED TO **ROBERT DAVIS WEBB, III** AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL IN MOBILE ON MAY 10, 2014. FOLLOWING A RECEPTION AT THE COUNTRY CLUB OF MOBILE, THE COUPLE HONEYMOONED IN ITALY AND WILL MAKE THEIR HOME IN LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA.

**DIED:** DAVID A. HAMBY, Sr., FATHER OF MBA MEMBER DAVID HAMBY, DIED IN MOBILE ON APRIL 18, 2014. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF ALMOST 57 YEARS, **SHIRLEY BEARD HAMBY**, TWO SONS, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, AND MANY OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.

MBA MEMBERS OF THE **UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA LAW SCHOOL** CLASS OF 1984 GATHERED TO CELEBRATE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR LAW SCHOOL GRADUATION





## NEW MEMBER

**MICHAEL SCOTT YEAGER,**  
**Birmingham School of Law in 2001;**  
**Alabama State Bar 2013;**  
**with Austal USA, LLC**



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

The law firms of **TOBIAS & COMER, LLC** and **JASON S. McCORMICK, PC** are pleased to announce they have merged to form **TOBIAS, McCORMICK & COMER, LLC**. The firm will continue to focus the majority of their practice in the area of personal injury at 1203 Dauphin Street, Mobile 36604

**PRINCE, McKEAN, McKENNA & BROUGHTON LLC** has moved its offices to Daphne. The phone number , 251.433.5441 and facsimile number 251.431.0159, will be the same but the address is now 25369 Highway 98, Daphne, Alabama 36526.

**ARMBRECHT JACKSON LLP** takes pleasure in announcing that **MARK A. NEWELL** has joined the firm as a partner. Mr. Newell is licensed to practice in all state and federal courts in Alabama and Florida and is also licensed in the eleventh circuit court of Appeals and U.S. Supreme Court.

Among those named to the **ALABAMA STATE BAR LAWYERS' HALL OF FAME** was the MBA's own **T. MASSEY BEDSOLE** (1917 – 2011). **ASB PRESIDENT JOSEPH** is quoted as saying, *"The lawyers we are recognizing have improved the communities in which they live, have had a profound influence on our laws and have improved the quality of society by pursuing justice."*

**L. A. "TONY" MARSAL** is pleased to announce that his daughter-in-law, **EMILY THOMPSON MARSAL**, has been named the **STATE OF ALABAMA EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**. Emily is married to Tony's son, Sam, and she is the Deputy Secretary of State. *"We are very proud to have a lady lawyer in our family."*



# CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION



**AUGUST 15**  
**CRIMINAL LAW UPDATE INCLUDING NEW DUI LAW,**  
3.0 HOURS

**AUGUST 22 OR 29**  
**ANNUAL "STARS ACROSS THE BAY"**  
**FAMILY LAW SEMINAR,**  
8.0 HOURS

**SEPTEMBER 19**  
**PROFESSIONALISM,**  
3.0 HOURS.

**OCTOBER 17**  
**ANNUAL VLP SEMINAR,**  
3.0 HOURS.

**OCTOBER**  
**NEW LAWYER ORIENTATION,**  
5.0 HOURS

**NOVEMBER 7**  
**ANNUAL CLE BY-THE-HOUR,**  
8.0 HOURS

**NOVEMBER 21**  
**ASB ROAD SHOW,**  
3.0 HOURS

**DECEMBER 5**  
**26TH ANNUAL BENCH & BAR CONFERENCE**

**DECEMBER 19**  
**CIVIL LAW UPDATE,**  
3.0 HOURS

**JAN 16**  
**JUDGES PANEL: DO'S & DON'TS, RULE CHANGES,**  
3.0 HOURS.

**MAR 20**  
**EMPLOYMENT LAW,**  
3.0 HOURS.

**APR 16**  
**APPELLATE SEMINAR**  
**INCLUDING CRIMINAL & CIVIL ISSUES,**  
3.0 HOURS



# YOUNG LAWYERS

KASEE HEISTERHAGEN, PRESIDENT

**THE YOUNG LAWYERS** would like to thank **HAND ARENDALL** for hosting the May YL meeting at **TACKY JACK'S** on the Causeway. What a great way to welcome summer!

The June YL meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 19 from 5:30-7:30 P.M.** **ARMBRECHT JACKSON** will be hosting the meeting at **THE BULL** (609 Dauphin Street). All are welcome! If your firm is interested in hosting a YL meeting in 2014, the July meeting is still open for sponsorship.

**YL GOLF TOURNAMENT** - benefiting **WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT**

**THE YL GOLF TOURNAMENT** will be held on Friday, June 6. All proceeds go to benefit the **WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT**. This year's co-chairs for the tournament are **STEVEN SAVARESE** ([ssavarese@hglawpc.com](mailto:ssavarese@hglawpc.com)) and **WEATHERS BOLT** ([wbolt@starneslaw.com](mailto:wbolt@starneslaw.com)). We still have room for teams and sponsors!

Please contact Steven, Weathers, or any member of the executive committee in order to participate. Hole sponsorships are \$200 and closest to pin/longest drive sponsorships are \$300. The entry fee is \$500/team (\$125/individual) but if your firm would like to sponsor a hole and enter a team, the fee is only \$650 for both.

If you would like to get involved with the **GOLF TOURNAMENT**, are interested in sponsoring an upcoming meeting, or if you have any questions, concerns, or comments please e-mail me ([ksparks@burr.com](mailto:ksparks@burr.com)), Vice President Jonathan Maples ([jmaples@carrallison.com](mailto:jmaples@carrallison.com)), or Treasurer Russ Johnson ([rjohnson@law-alabama.com](mailto:rjohnson@law-alabama.com)).





# SAVLP

**SOUTH ALABAMA VOLUNTEER LAWYERS**

**ARIANA H. MOORE, INTERIUM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

## **FREE CLE FOR SAVLP VOLUNTEERS!!!!**

**Sponsored by SAVLP and Legal Services of Alabama**

**June 10, 2014 from noon-1:00**

**Ben May (Main) Branch of the Mobile Public Library  
(701 Government Street, Mobile, AL)**

**Consumer Debt Collection**

- Debt Collection Practices
- Alabama Debtor Exemption laws
- Defenses to Garnishments and Executions
- Strategies for Consumer Attorneys
- Fair Debt Collection Practices Act Violations
- Bankruptcy Solutions

**Bring your own brown bag lunch.**

**For registration form, go to [www.savlp.org](http://www.savlp.org) or call SAVLP at 433-6693.**

**This course or a portion thereof has been approved by the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Commission of Alabama for a maximum of 1 hour credit.**







# Thank you ANDY CITRIN INJURY ATTORNEYS Winner of the 2014 SAVLP Best of the Bay Award!!



# JUNE 2014

JUNE 4 - WEDNESDAY  
**BENCH & BAR COMMITTEE MEETING,  
11:30 AM, FELIX'S**

JUNE 6 - FRIDAY  
**YOUNG LAWYERS  
ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

JUNE 12 - THURSDAY  
**MBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING,  
12 O'CLOCK NOON,  
ADMIRAL SEMMES**

JUNE 19 - THURSDAY  
**MBA GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE MEETING,  
12 O'CLOCK NOON, MBA  
HEADQUARTERS**



JUNE 20 - FRIDAY  
**MBA MONTHLY LUNCHEON,  
12 O'CLOCK NOON,  
THE BATTLE HOUSE HOTEL  
MOONLIGHT BALLROOM**



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