

# MONTHLY BULLETIN

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**MICHAEL E. UPCHURCH, PRESIDENT**  
MOBILE BAR ASSOCIATION

## President's Comments

Paula Deen. Trayvon Martin. That big Confederate flag on I-65.

This is where your alarms might go off. Conversation coming up about race - trade for barium enema, if possible; otherwise, ABORT, ABORT!

Many of us believe that no good can come of revealing our true opinions on these radioactive subjects. And they certainly do not have anything to do with us as Mobile lawyers, right?

We shy away from conversations involving race for lots of reasons. We don't want to get in an argument. We don't want to accidentally offend or be misunderstood. We don't want to be accused or blamed. We don't want to be labeled if we take a contrary position. We are tired of it.

People have strong feelings about race, and most keep a tight lid on them. If they do start talking to someone who has different ideas, the discussion can deteriorate quickly when pent-up resentments and frustrations ignite. To add to the combustibility of the dialogue, too many conversations about race malform into something artificially total and absolute, as if the only thing we are, and are about, is our color. If a person sees an issue differently than we do, he or she is against us, rather than simply having a different point of view. That raises both voices and blood pressure.

When we talk to each other as Mobile lawyers, maybe we can avoid those traps. There is no red state/blue state here. No Fox News/MSNBC, liberal/conservative noise. Our members have many views on race. Different experiences, varied perspectives. This is not about wrong and right answers. This is not about judging each other. For today, let's leave the sensational flashpoints of the moment alone. Let's not let our knees jerk. Let's just think about two matters that are relevant to us as members of this Association that happen to involve the incendiary topic of race. These are two issues that we avoid talking to each other about because we do not want to ruffle each other's feathers, but they might be worth discussing among ourselves, at least a little. Let's stick a toe in the water.

*(1) Why in 2013 should there even be a Mobile area minority bar association (The Vernon Crawford Bar Association)? Let's move on. Too many people use race as a crutch. They need to let it go.*

In considering the Vernon Crawford Bar, a little context might be useful. Do you know that Vernon Crawford, who was not allowed to join the Mobile Bar Association for a long while, was the first African American lawyer to start a firm here? (He had to go to New York to go to law school.) That he not only founded the first African American firm, but that then he integrated it with white lawyers, creating Mobile's first racially-diverse firm? That he mentored many minority lawyers who had no other encouragement and support?

*Well, that was a long time ago. Today we have an African American president, and in Mobile our mayor, police chief and U. S. Attorney are African American. Why do the minority lawyers still have to separate themselves from us?*

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**PROGRAM**  
MBA AUGUST  
THE AUGUST MONTHLY

LUNCHEON WILL BE:  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2013,  
11:45 AM

THE BATTLE HOUSE HOTEL  
MOONLIGHT BALLROOM  
SPEAKER:

THE 27TH DANNY SHERIDAN HOUR  
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Do you know that many of the Vernon Crawford lawyers are anything but separate, that they are active in the Mobile Bar? (Recent president, serving now on Executive Committee, Nominating Committee, Grievance Committee, Committee Chair, etc.) Do you know that the Vernon Crawford Bar has meetings at the Mobile Bar Association building? Do you know that the president of the Vernon Crawford Bar is on the Mobile Bar Association Executive Committee? That membership in the Vernon Crawford is open to everyone, even plain old white guys? That Vernon Crawford Bar members promote opportunity for all, not just their own members, and not just minorities?

*Okay, that is interesting. But still, why have a separate organization? Why can't we just have one unified bar organization?*

Fair question. Here again, there is more than one perspective. More than one attitude. More than one sensibility. The Vernon Crawford Bar is an organization that offers support, camaraderie and encouragement to its members. It honors and remembers the past, which is not really that distant. It addresses the present and future. It recognizes the reality that even today, what color a lawyer is makes a difference professionally, socially and personally, and that what minority lawyers have in common and share is significant.

*(2) Why do we have so few minority judges? Is it a problem?*

First, "Is it a problem?" There might be several different ways lawyers in Mobile would answer this question. But picture yourself as an African American involved in a civil or criminal case, or a black middle school child on a field trip, walking down the halls of the state courthouse. As you look into the courtrooms, there is no one in a robe who looks like you. Maybe you know that Mobile does not have even one black circuit court, district court or domestic court judge. Would that bother you? Would it be unsettling? Would it seem peculiar to someone from some other place? How would you answer if someone asked you why we do not now have and never have had a minority United States District Court judge? This is where we might get defensive, if we are white. "What are you trying to insinuate?" We might be irritated by the question, thinking that it implies that the only explanation for the complexion of the bench is racism and prejudice, and that we therefore are declared guilty of it by virtue of being white and not a member of the ACLU. On the other hand, if you are not white, the question begs to be asked. You might wonder why others cannot see that it is a legitimate concern.

Let's go a step further. "Should preference be given to minority applicants for judgeships?" There is not a uniform position on this question even among those of the same race. Is a Mobile lawyer who answers "yes" to the question saying that only black judges can be fair to black litigants, and the white judges cannot? Is someone who answers "no" a racist or Neanderthal? Can we talk about this at all without submitting to the impulse to, in our mind, dismiss someone who disagrees with us as prejudiced or ignorant or unreasonable? Are we able to think about what he or she believes calmly and thoughtfully?

The "Why in Mobile do we have so few minority judges?" question is sensitive too. If you discard as answers: no qualified candidates (clearly incorrect) and rampant virulent racism (same), you can reach a variety of conclusions. For today, however, we will take things slowly and just pose the question. We will leave the explanations for another time.

For many of us, these questions, and others like them, are uncomfortable. They seem divisive, and maybe even unnecessary. For example, most of us consider our current judges across all courts to be the best we have had in memory. Our judges have widespread support that bridges gender and racial lines, and there are no obvious racial rifts within our ranks as lawyers. Why even raise the issue? Why risk spoiling the good vibe we have going within the Bar? Wouldn't talking about this just cause hard feelings and tensions that we don't need?

That is a risk. But we will have vacancies on the Bench in a few years, and whether we discuss the issue or not, it's there. Wouldn't an honest appraisal of the matter be constructive? Would conversation, even if hesitant and awkward, enable us to understand each other better and address whatever we agree needs attention?

The dramatic advances in racial equality during our lifetimes have left many of us disoriented in a way. Today, where are we exactly in terms of race relations? If we polled our members (after a stout dose of truth serum), there would be many different answers. We are not all of one mind on this. There is no official or indisputably correct position. It cannot be said, however, that the issue of race, equal opportunity, diversity, whatever you want to call it, is entirely behind us. If that was true, we would not be so reluctant to speak honestly about Paula Deen or Trayvon Martin with our different-color colleagues. We would not (no matter our color) walk on eggshells when engaging in any discussion about race, after first trying to dodge it entirely. We would not squirm or bow-up or blow-up if the subject of that big Confederate flag on I-65 came up. We would not know people who still have poisonous attitudes about those not of their own race.

So, what's the point of this column? To cause trouble? To churn-up what is best left alone? No. Only to consider this one limited, modest idea. Maybe we ought to be less politically correct, and more candid and open-minded when we talk to each other about the issues in our world as lawyers in Mobile that have race imbedded in them. This does not mean we should be obsessed with race, or stalk or nag others about it. But we don't have to run away from it either. Maybe if we loosened up just a bit and trusted each other more we could discuss what is worth discussing. Just a thought.



## *Browsing the Bar - With Barbara*

Your Bar Association Staff is gearing up for the second half of year 2013 – CLEs, Luncheons, Committee Meetings, Committee Preference, Nominations Committee, Annual MBA Party (which is scheduled for Thursday, October 17 at LAP'S on the Causeway), Bench & Bar Conference and Golf Tournament, Young Lawyer Activities, and much, much more.

The Entertainment Committee has chosen to forego the annual holiday party this year in lieu of a fall party and it has been scheduled for Thursday evening, October 17, 2013 at LAP'S on the Causeway. The plans are progressing nicely and the program looks to be an outstanding occasion. Mark your calendars now.

### **THINGS YOUR BURGLAR WON'T TELL YOU:**

1. Of course I look familiar. I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters, or delivering your new refrigerator.
2. Thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working in your yard last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier.
3. I always knock first. If you answer, I'll ask for directions somewhere or offer to clean your gutters. (Don't take me up on it.)
4. If you don't answer when I knock, I try the door. Occasionally, I hit the jackpot and walk right in.
5. Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table and the medicine cabinet.
6. Here's a helpful hint: I almost never go into kids' rooms.



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## SIGNIFICANT DECISIONS

BY DUANE GRAHAM

In *Ex parte Brooks Insurance Agency, No. 1120165* (Ala., April 26, 2013), the Supreme Court held that the Alabama abatement statute, Ala. Code Section 6-5-440, which prohibits the prosecution of two actions for the same matter in two courts at the same time, applied to require the dismissal of an insured's state court action against the insurance company, which was substantively the same claim that the insured had asserted by way of compulsory counterclaim in the insurance company's federal court declaratory judgment claim. However, the insured's state court claim against the insurance agency and agent were not subject to the abatement rule, even though arising from the same facts as the counterclaim, because the agency and the agent were not parties to the federal lawsuit.

In a complicated procedural case involving adoptions and a divided court, the Court of Civil Appeals in *O.S. v. E.S., 2013 WL 1694478* (Ala., April 19, 2013), upheld a circuit court order nullifying an adoption by a grandfather of a minor child based on allegations of fraud on the court. The opinion suggests that the grandfather wanted to adopt his son's child in order to increase his government check. The issue came to the fore when the son and his wife began divorce proceedings and the grandfather asserted a right to custody of the child as against the ex-daughter-in-law based on the adoption. The majority opinion focused on the allegedly false allegation of the grandfather that the minor child had resided with the grandfather for one year prior to the filing of the adoption petition, an allegation which was held to be jurisdictionally required. The minority focused on the traditional extrinsic versus intrinsic fraud distinction and concluded that the alleged fraud in this case was intrinsic so that it would not void the original adoption order.

In *Barter v. Burton Garland Revocable Trust, No. 2111050* (Ala. Civ. App., April 5, 2013), the Court of Civil Appeals held that a quitclaim claim deed covering all right, title, and interest of the grantor in and to property described as a roadway and a boat ramp conveyed fee title to the property and not just an easement.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT:** Anyone with knowledge of the Last Will and Testament of **JANIE NORRIS BRAMBLET KUGLAR** of Magnolia Springs, who died on July 10, 2013 in Fairhope, AL, dated after September 16, 2009, please contact estate executor **NEIL NORRIS** at 901.413.8880 or 901.229.0515.

**LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT:** Anyone with knowledge of the Last Will and Testament of **JACK L. SHELLEY**, 3406 Baumhauer Road, Theodore, AL, who died June 2013, please contact his son, **VINCE BRADLEY**, 251.652.5342.

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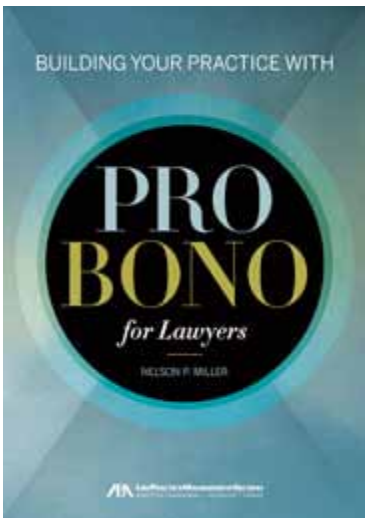
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**SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE ATTORNEYS WHO ACCEPTED OR CLOSED A CASE IN JUNE: BRIGG H AUSTIN, RUSSELL E BERGSTROM, EDWARD G BOWRON, HENRY H BREWSTER, S. JOSHUA BRISKMAN, K. MEGAN BROOKS, PAUL D BROWN, CARL N BUTLER JR., JENNIFER C BYRD, HENRY A CALLAWAY III, R. PAUL CATER, F. LUKE COLEY JR., ALAN M COLVIN, MICHAEL CONGIARDO, ALICIA J CORLEY, AURELIUS EVANS CROWE, EDWIN J CURRAN JR., LATISHA RHODES DAVIS, SONDRA A DEMPSEY, JOSEPH S DENNIS, HEATHER N DOLBARE, JACQUELINE FLEMING BROWN, ROSS FRAZER, GEORGE C GASTON, JOSHUA M GRANTHAM, MISSY C GRAY, JON A GREEN, TIMOTHY M GROGAN, CHRISTINE HARDING HART, R. SCOTT HETRICK, J. BRADFORD B HICKS, JENNIFER HOLIFIELD, RYAN P HOLLOWAY, JACK F JANECKY, ANDREW M JONES, GREGORY R JONES, KEAVA B JONES, KATHLEEN COBB KAUFMAN, R. EDWIN LAMBERTH, GREGORY B MCATEE, S. C. MIDDLEBROOKS, J. RICHARD MOORE, JENNIFER S MORGAN, HENRY T MORRISSETTE, RYAN T NORTHRUP, SONYA OGLETREE, TERRIE OWENS, FRANK L PARKER JR., STEVEN C PEARSON, BRENDA J PIERCE, JAMES REBARCHAK, IAN D ROSENTHAL, L. ROBERT SHREVE, E. GLENN SMITH JR., HENDRIK SNOW, T. JEFF STEIN, HARRY STILL III, NORMAN M STOCKMAN, EUCELLIS SULLIVAN, JAMES B VOLLMER, HAROLD WILLIAM W ASDEN, WILLIAM W WATTS III, JARROD J WHITE, AND RICARDO WOODS.**



# LAWYERS IN THE NEWS

By SANDY G. ROBINSON

## LEGAL MILESTONES:

**MARRIED:** MBA MEMBERS **JULIA JAMES AND ROBERT SHREVE** WERE MARRIED SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2013 AT ST. FRANCIS AT THE POINT IN POINT CLEAR. ROBERT IS THE GRANDSON OF RETIRED CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE ROBERT BYRD. AFTER A HONEYMOON TRIP TO ITALY, **JULIA AND ROBERT** ARE LIVING IN MIDTOWN.

**DIED:** **AGNES NOWLING HODNETTE**, WIDOW OF THE LATE **CIRCUIT JUDGE ROBERT E. HODNETTE, JR.**, DIED ON JULY 10, 2013 AT WESTMINSTER VILLAGE AT THE AGE OF 93. SHE WAS A LONG TIME MEMBER OF DAUPHIN WAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, AND WAS KNOWN FOR HER "DOG RIVER HOSPITALITY." SHE IS SURVIVED BY TWO CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, SIX GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.

**VETERANS DAY IS COMING!** IF YOU ARE A VETERAN AND HAVE NOT ALREADY BEEN RECOGNIZED IN OUR VETERANS DAY FEATURE, PLEASE LET US KNOW ABOUT YOUR SERVICE. ALSO, IF ANY MBA MEMBER HAS A SON OR DAUGHTER IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, WE WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE THAT IN OUR VETERANS DAY ARTICLE. PLEASE SEND YOUR INFORMATION TO [SGR@CABANISS.COM](mailto:SGR@CABANISS.COM) OR DROP IT BY THE MOBILE BAR ASSOCIATION OFFICE.

## YOUNG LAWYERS

*JOSHUA D. FRIEDMAN, PRESIDENT*

This year, we have decided to do away with the annual **YOUNG LAWYERS BAND PARTY** for a number of positive reasons.

Please mark your calendars and get your teams ready for the **ANNUAL YOUNG LAWYERS KICKBALL TOURNAMENT**. The tournament will be held on Friday, September 13th at the Battleship park grounds. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Mobile Bar Foundation. Teams will consist of ten (10) or more players and at least two (2) females are required to play on a team. The cost of a team is \$300. Individuals can sign up to play at a cost of \$30 whether or not you have a team or just want to be paired up with other individual players to form a team. Sponsorships are also available at the cost of \$200. If you would like to be a named sponsor and put in a team as well, you get a discount and can do both for \$400. We are already receiving requests for sponsorships, however, we could always use a couple of more if you or your firm are interested in helping. We will be providing more information via email leading up to the tournament as it becomes available.

The well suited co-chairs for the kickball tournament this year are **MEGAN BROOKS** ([mbrooks@handarendall.com](mailto:mbrooks@handarendall.com)), **NICK MORISANI** ([nick.morisani@arlaw.com](mailto:nick.morisani@arlaw.com)), **TIM HEISTERHAGEN** ([tah@ajlaw.com](mailto:tah@ajlaw.com)), and **RUSSELL JOHNSON** ([rjohnson@law-alabama.com](mailto:rjohnson@law-alabama.com)). Please feel free to email any one of these individuals if you are interested in registering a team, sponsoring the event, or have questions and need some general information about the tournament. You can also email me ([josh@bafmobile.com](mailto:josh@bafmobile.com)), our VP, **KASEE HEISTERHAGEN** ([ksparks@burr.com](mailto:ksparks@burr.com)), or our Treasurer, **JONATHAN MAPLES** ([jmaples@carrallison.com](mailto:jmaples@carrallison.com)) with questions or information as well.

We want to thank everyone in advance for your participation and interest in everything that the **YOUNG LAWYERS** do for our bar and the community. We certainly could not do what we do without the generous support of our sponsors and our bar in general, and I cannot thank them enough.



## 6th ANNUAL FAMILY LAW STARS ACROSS THE BAY

August 23, 2013

The Battle House Hotel, Mobile Alabama

8.0 hrs. MCLE Credits – including 1 hr. Ethics and Lunch

Registration Fee: \$200 MBA Members, \$225 non-MBA Members, Additional \$25 late registration

- 7:30 – 8:00 REGISTRATION**
- 8:00-8:15 Introduction – Lydia Pettijohn, Executive Director, Family Center, Shannon M. Shelley-Tremblay, Executive Director, SAVLP**
- 8:15-8:45 Tachonda Smith, Deputy Clerk, Domestic Relations Division, Circuit Court, Mobile County**  
“Rambling and Roaring in Domestic Relations”
- 8:45-9:15 Ashley Rich, District Attorney, 13th Judicial Circuit**  
“The Correlation Between Family Law, Domestic Violence, and Bullying”
- 9:15-9:50 Judge Rosemary de Juan Chambers-**  
“Do’s and Don’ts of Domestic Relations”
- 9:50-10:00 Break**
- 10:00-10:40 Judge J. Donald Banks-**  
“Domestic Points of Significance”
- 10:40-11:15 Mavanee R. Bear, Esquire-**  
“Post Majority Support in Alabama:  
A Discussion of Ex Parte Brewington and the Future of Bayliss”
- 11:15-11:50 Michael C. Reibling, CPA, CVA/ABV, CFF-**  
“Present Value of Pension Plans”
- 11:50-12:00 Break**
- 12:00-12:10 Stephen Johnson, Chair, Family Law Section, Alabama State Bar**
- 12:10-1:10 Jeremy McIntire, Assistant General Counsel, Alabama State Bar**  
“2013 Ethics Update”
- 1:10 1:45 Tami Byrd, Employee Testing and Health Services-**  
“Updates in the Drug Testing World”
- 1:45-2:15 Judge Michelle Thomason-**  
“Practice Tips for Domestic Relations Court “Across the Bay””
- 2:15-2:30 Break**
- 2:30-3:15 John A. Henig, Jr., Esquire-**  
“You Want Me to Sign WHAT?! How to Take the “Honey” Out of the Honeymoon (Ante- and Post- nuptials)”
- 3:15-4:00 Judge George A. Brown-**  
“Juvenile Law Update: Paternity, Custody, and Dependency”
- 4:00 Cocktail Party \*\* Wine and Beer: No charge \*\***  
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**SEPT 20 FRIDAY – CRIMINAL LAW UPDATE,**  
3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS INCLUDING 1.0 HR. ETHICS

**OCT 11 - FRIDAY – ADMIRALTY, 1:30 – 4:45 PM,**  
3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS

**OCT 18 – FRIDAY – SAVLP’S ANNUAL (FREE TO MEMBERS)  
CLE: PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE FOR THE VOLUNTEER LAWYER  
PROVIDING LEGAL ASSISTANCE,**  
3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS INCLUDING 1.0 HR. ETHICS

**OCT 22 - TUESDAY – ANNUAL NEW LAWYER ORIENTATION,**  
5.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS, 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM LUNCH INCLUDED.

**NOV 15 – FRIDAY – ANNUAL ASB ROADSHOW, 1:30 4:45 PM,**  
3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS INCLUDING 1.0 HR. ETHICS

**NOV 22 – FRIDAY – ANNUAL CLE BY-THE-HOUR, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM,**  
8.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS INCLUDING 1.0 HR. ETHICS AND LUNCH

**DEC 6 - FRIDAY - SUNDAY – 25TH ANNUAL BENCH & BAR CONFERENCE,**  
MARRIOTT’S GRAND HOTEL

**DEC 13 – FRIDAY – ANNUAL CIVIL LAW UPDATE,**  
1:30 – 4:45 PM, 3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS INCLUDING 1.0 HR. ETHICS

## 2014

**JAN 10 – FRIDAY – PROBATE UPDATE, 1:30 – 4:45 PM,**  
3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS

**JAN 17 – FRIDAY – BANKRUPTCY LAW, 1:30 – 4:45 PM,**  
3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS

**MAR 21 – FRIDAY – E DISCOVERY CHANGES,**  
1:30 -4:45 PM, 3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS

**APR 18 – FRIDAY – ANNUAL DO’S & DON’TS,**  
1:30 – 4:45 PM, 3.0 HRS. MCLE CREDITS







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**AUGUST 8 - THURSDAY**  
**MBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING,**  
12 O'CLOCK NOON, ADMIRAL SEMMES VIP2 ROOM

**AUGUST 16 - FRIDAY**  
**MBA MONTHLY LUNCHEON,**  
11:45 AM, THE BATTLE HOUSE MOONLIGHT BALLROOM

**AUGUST 20 - TUESDAY**  
**ALA MONTHLY MEETING,**  
12 O'CLOCK NOON, MIDTOWN CAFE

**AUGUST 22 - THURSDAY**  
**MBA GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE MEETING,**  
12 O'CLOCK NOON, MBA HEADQUARTERS

**AUGUST 23 - FRIDAY**  
**6TH ANNUAL STARS ACROSS THE BAY FAMILY LAW SEMINAR,**  
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM,  
THE BATTLE HOUSE HOTEL MOONLIGHT BALLROOM