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OCBA Honors Three with Liberty Bell Award



"This unique award recognizes outstanding citizens who have made selfless contributions to the community by strengthening the effectiveness of the American system of justice, and by instilling a better understanding and appreciation of the law," said Law Day Committee Chair Anastasia Semel.

Husband and wife team of Magda Bayoumi and Mohamed Khater received the Liberty Bell Award for making central New York a more inclusive and civil society. Originally called to educate people about children with special needs, their focus changed in recent years to enlightening people about their religion – Islam.

"The work of God is not killing each other, but is helping each other," Bayoumi said.

Robert Dougherty, vice president of the New Justice Services Board of Directors, also received the award.

Dougherty has spent his lifetime devoted to Syracuse, its children and families, as not only a 30-year county employee delivering Juvenile Justice System programming, but also by working with a long list of local agencies developing a deeper sense of community for those who feel displaced. He was also a two-term member of the Syracuse Common Council.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

CLE Human Trafficking	5/11
Elder Law Fair	5/19
YLS Night at Syracuse Stage	5/19
CLE Employment Law	5/24
Paralegal Luncheon	6/8
OCBF Golf Tournament	8/10

MISSION :

To maintain the honor and dignity of the profession of law, to cultivate social discourse among its members, and to increase its significance in promoting the due administration of Justice.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope you were able to attend this year's Law Day Breakfast held on May 2 at the OnCenter. Congratulations to OCBA Board Member Anastasia Semel and the Law Day Committee on an extremely successful 2017 Law Day Celebration.

Syracuse University College of Law Dean Craig Boise gave a thoughtful and timely keynote on this year's Law Day theme – the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Several Awards were presented at the event. The members of the Cazenovia High School Mock Trial team were each presented with a plaque as the winners of this year's competition sponsored by the OCBA. Many thanks to OCBA Executive Director, Jeff Unaitis, for his hard work organizing this event each year.



The OCBA also presented two Liberty Bell Awards. The Liberty Bell Award is presented in conjunction with Law Day Celebrations throughout the U.S. and is an award presented to non-lawyers whose work outside of their profession, but within the community, draws awareness to the need or plight of individuals or a group. Bob Dougherty, who serves on the Board of Directors of New Justice Initiatives, was recognized for his work with Youth Court. OCBA also presented the Liberty Bell Award to spouses Magda Bayoumi and Mohamed Khater for their activities promoting understanding of the Muslim community in Central New York.

OCBA Member and NYSBA 5th District Vice President Stuart LaRose was presented with OCBA's Outstanding Service Award recognizing an OCBA member for service to our Association and the legal community. This well-deserved recognition is for his many years work on behalf of our Association and profession. Congratulations Stuart.

OCBA's new Officers and Directors were sworn in at our Law Day Breakfast including President, Hon. James P. Murphy, President-Elect John T. McCann, Vice President Aaron J. Ryder, Treasurer, Paula Mallory Engel, Secretary Danielle M. Vogel and Directors John C. Callahan, M. Eric Galvez, Jeffrey G. Leibo, Lauren M. Miller and Laura Spring. The new officers and directors assume their responsibilities on June 1. Congratulations and welcome. And thanks to outgoing Board Members Blaine Bettinger, Romana Lavalas, Mark Wasmund, who has served on the Executive Committee as Secretary and Treasurer, and Jean Marie Westlake who served as OCBA President from 2015 through May of 2016.

Elsewhere on Law Day, OCBA Member Todd Long Received NYSBA's 5th Judicial District Pro Bono Award at a Ceremony in Albany for his work helping Onondaga County Volunteer Lawyer's Project develop its Homeless Advocacy and Prevention Program. Todd works as An Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Syracuse.

Save the date, plans are underway for our third annual welcome to Syracuse Summer Interns Summer Associates event on Thursday, June 22 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Once again the program will include a panel discussion on a Diversity and Inclusion topic followed by a reception at which we will present this year's Diversity and Inclusion Award. Watch your email for more details.

So, that's my final President's Report – but certainly not all, folks. It's been my privilege to serve and a joy to work with the hardworking OCBA Staff and engaged Board. I look forward to continuing to do what I like most about Bar Association work – working in collaboration with other association members on projects to improve our ability to do what we do as lawyers and community members.

Cheers.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Williams". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Law Day 2017 Celebrates 14th Amendment: Due Process and Equal Protection

By: Carrie Chantler

In celebrating Law Day each spring, bar associations across the country acknowledge the importance of the legal profession and the value of the rule of law.

Onondaga County Bar Association members and invited guests recognized Law Day 2017 by joining together in the OnCenter ballroom for a breakfast and an awards ceremony on Tuesday, May 2nd.

There, judicial members, solo practitioners, legal aid lawyers and law firm members gathered and shared the morning with the Cazenovia High School Mock Trial team, OCBA Law Clinic Award recipient Syracuse University law student Sarah Ballard, and two Liberty Bell Award recipients.

The local Law Day celebration heralds the installation of new OCBA directors, who pledge to serve three-year terms, plus the swearing in of new officers who'll carry out their duties for the 2017-18 term. This year, New York State Supreme Court Justice the Hon. John V. Centra presided over the induction.

In recognition of this year's Law Day theme, the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, Syracuse University College of Law Dean Craig M. Boise provided the morning's keynote remarks.

After warmly welcoming the assembled legal community, Dean Boise read aloud the amendment's first section, which enshrines our rights as U.S. citizens to due process and equal protection under the law.

"The 14th Amendment is as important today as it was when it was ratified 149 years ago in 1868. Its breadth and impact is truly remarkable," he said.

"From providing equal civil rights to former slaves in the aftermath of the Civil War to desegregating schools through the equal protection clause

to insuring defense counsel through its due process clause the 14th Amendment continues to shape our country and provide legal foundation for the protection of our rights as citizens of this country."

To the hushed audience, the dean continued, sharing his personal relationship to the law.

Born in 1963 and the child of a black father and a white mother, Boise pondered how the landmark civil rights case, *Loving v. Virginia*, (1967) which invalidated laws prohibiting interracial marriage, was decided by the U.S. Supreme Court so long after the 14th Amendment's ratification nearly 100 years prior.

"The ultimate vindication of equal protection in *Loving* happened only as a result of decades of struggle by those like the Lovings who were willing to risk life and liberty to insist on the right to be treated equally," the dean said.

"It happened only as a result of many disparate groups working together: Ordinary citizens, Attorneys General, the ACLU, and many, many volunteer lawyers – people like all of you in this room who saw it as their duty as members of this honorable profession to see that the promise of the Constitution was fulfilled for those whose cries for justice had too long been ignored."

14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution - Section 1

All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Ratified July 9th, 1868

Law Day 2017 Celebrates 14th Amendment: Due Process and Equal Protection



Lawyers play the critical role of insuring the 14th Amendment provides what it pledges, Boise said, “in our time, to the victims of excessive use of force by law enforcement, to the estimated 20,000 individuals who are wrongfully convicted in our country every year, and to refugees and migrants barred from entering the country under an Executive Order clearly designed to target Muslims.

“These are some of the challenges of our time,” Boise concluded. “Let us not tarry for another 100 years to meet them.”

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Minimum Qualifications:

- Juris Doctorate degree from an accredited law school.
- Admitted to practice in the State of New York
- Minimum of five (5) years legal experience preferred, but less may be considered.
- Experience working in the area of Municipal Law, particularly, zoning, planning, housing and civil litigation.

Salary: The position provides for competitive salary with a full benefit package.

Additional Information: For additional information relating to the City of Auburn, including the Civil Service job description for this position, please see www.auburnny.gov.

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OCBF President Stuart J. LaRose Honored with 2017 OCBA Service Award

By: Carrie Chantler

For the second year, the bar association honored one of its own during the 2017 Law Day celebration with the OCBA Outstanding Service Award.

The award recognizes an OCBA lawyer whose service to the legal profession contributes to the overall welfare and general good of the bar association and its membership.

Law Day emcee Stuart J. LaRose expressed surprise May 2nd when OCBA President Jim Williams joined him onstage and announced the solo practitioner was this year's award recipient.

"I'm very pleased to present the award this year to Stuart LaRose who didn't know he was receiving this until now," Williams said. "For many years, Stuart has been chair of OCBA's very successful Lawyer Referral Service committee, bringing his experience and guidance to a program that generates thousands of referrals on behalf of members every year."

Williams next provided a litany of LaRose's efforts promoting the legal profession. Statewide, LaRose is the vice-president of the 5th Judicial District of the New York State Bar Association's Executive Committee and also a member of its House of Delegates and its Family Law Section.

Williams touted LaRose's 2012 nomination by Onondaga County Family Court judges and subsequent receipt of the Fifth Judicial District's Hon. Michael F. Dillon Award for outstanding advocacy on behalf of children.

"That award recognizes the difficult work lawyers do for children in contested adoptions, persons in need of supervision matters, juvenile delinquency, complicated custody disputes, sexual abuse cases and instances of parental rights being terminated for abuse, neglect or abandonment," said Williams.

LaRose was the OCBA president in 2008 and in 2014 began serving as president of the Onondaga County



Bar Foundation, the association's philanthropic arm, making history as the its longest serving leader.

"I think it's important for me to serve as president so there's some consistency and as a past OCBA president, I understand the missions of both boards and we can seek to synchronize our missions and resources," LaRose said after the Law Day celebration. OCBF's twofold purpose, LaRose explains, is to help fellow lawyers in need and to broaden the legal profession's outreach into the community at large.

Through thoughtful consideration, the foundation provides financial support for counseling opportunities offered by the Lawyers Assistance Program in addition to sponsoring worthwhile efforts such as the Elder Law Fair.

LaRose, a Syracuse native and a Le Moyne college graduate, received his Juris Doctor from Western New England College School of Law in 1992.

"This award meant a lot because it recognizes the importance of the many of us who care about and support our association and he work and service it does to care for our fellow members and support our profession," the honoree said.

"It was a wonderful and positive moment for me to reflect on what I have been able to accomplish on behalf of our association, and inspires me in looking forward to future chapters."

To Convene or Not to Convene?

By: The Hon. James P. Murphy

The New York State Constitution mandates that every 20 years voters will be asked the following question: "Shall there be a convention to revise the constitution and amend the same?"

The next referendum will be held on November 7, 2017. It presents a constitutional choice of profound importance; a once-in-a-generation opportunity for the State to reinvent itself.

To help lay the foundation for a serious and thoughtful public dialogue regarding the mandatory referendum, the New York State Bar Association established the Committee on the New York Constitution. Henry M. Greenberg of Albany chairs the committee. The Committee was, until recently, charged with identifying issues of concern either pro or con. That all changed at the last House of Delegates Meeting at which the Executive Committee charged the Committee with making a recommendation as to whether or not a Constitutional Convention should be held.

This issue is very controversial. While many would agree that certain sections of the Constitution should be re-worked, there is concern with throwing the doors open. For example, while many might want to re-structure the State government, many are concerned that protections such as provisions concerning The Adirondack Park could be changed. Everything would be on the table.

Very recently, [the Committee released its Report](#) recommending that a Constitutional Convention be convened. The members of the House of Delegates (of which the officers of our Association are members) will decide at its next meeting on June 17th whether to adopt the Report and officially make a recommendation. I have attached links to the [NYSBA website](#) and the [prior Committee Reports](#) for background. We would really appreciate any thoughts or opinions you may have as we will have to cast a vote at the meeting. Please send any written comments to reportsgroup@nysba.org no later than June 9th.



New York State Bar Association Committee on Professional Ethics Opinion 1112 (1/7/17)

The NYS Bar Association Committee on Professional Ethics has issued an opinion that discusses credit card payments and attorney's fees and references notifying clients of the right to arbitrate under Part 137. [Read it in full here.](#)

VALAC Helping Every Dog Have It's Day (In Court)

By: Michele Maciejewski

"We have truly innocent clients when you're a VALAC," said Kerilyn Micale, Esq., a solo practitioner and active Volunteer Advocate Lawyer for Animal Abuse Court (VALAC). Micale was among 10 speakers at the April 27 CLE: Animal Abuse Court Training and Process.

VALAC was founded in 2014 by Green & Brenneck attorney Nicholas J. DeMartino. Then, DeMartino was serving as the Onondaga County Bar Association president and wanted to create a program to give abused animals a voice in court.

VALAC attorneys don't actually defend their animal clients, they simply offer the court a perspective focused on the animal's interests and help assure it receives rehabilitation and relocation.

"Our job is to complement, not complicate, the system," DeMartino said.

A main component of that system is law enforcement. Enter, Syracuse Police Officer Rebecca Thompson.

The 2016 recipient of the Humane Law Enforcement Award bestowed by the Humane Society of the United States, Thompson spoke about her work responding to animal abuse and neglect calls. She shared with CLE attendees photos she'd taken of animals in the worst of scenarios.

The photos, she emphasized, are crucial to defending the animals and illustrate the specifics of the abuse. "Everyone needs to see these," she said.

Neglect, she said, remains the most prevalent type of animal abuse; dog fighting is fortunately on the decline. More troubling, animal beatings and shootings are on the rise.

Thompson discussed her successes in removing animals from abusive situations and transporting them to the Veterinary Medical Center of Central New York (VMCCNY) for assessment.

There, she partners with VMCCNY administrator Marcie Marshall, a 20-plus year industry professional, and relies heavily on the free assessments the facility provides. Their work helps bring abusers to prosecution.

The job of housing and healing the animals falls with the Central New York SPCA and its newly minted director, Kerrin Conklin.



Abusers, Conklin told CLE attendees, tend to exhibit signs of mental illness, which she observed led to the harm of animals.

The SPCA, she said, brings in neglected animals most often, with the worst offender housing 44 Chihuahuas and 28 cats in deplorable conditions. She sees the issue of animal abuse as a reflection of mental health issues suffered by abusers.

CLE panelist Nicole Heath, an Animal Abuse Task Force of CNY facilitator, spoke of the partnership with VALAC to connect advocate lawyers with the District Attorney's office in abuse and neglect cases.

That program continues to evolve, she said. Recently the Task Force held its first annual training for local Animal Control Officers.

The Task Force is currently working on a jail diversion program for neglectful and under-educated pet owners who may not intend to be abusers. This is a therapeutic approach to training and education and is intended to alter their behavior. This pilot program seeks a physical home.

The judiciary plays a part in the system, too. City Court Judge Derrek Thomas has presided over animal abuse cases. At the CLE, he expressed his desire to be part of the solution.

"We're all animal advocates," he said, adding that animal abuse cases are the most difficult because of the nature of an animal's innocence.

Giving Voices to Abused Animals

VALAC TIMELINE

1. Lawyer advocates become involved in an animal's defense soon after the Syracuse Police Department receives a call of alleged abuse.
2. Officer Thompson answers those calls and heads out to assess the situation, collects photos and evidence, then seizes the animal(s), making arrests if necessary. The animals are transported to VMCCNY by Animal Control, then to the CNYSPCA for further medical care and shelter.
3. The DA's Office brings the case to court.
4. VALAC attorneys are called immediately after an animal is taken into custody. This lawyer gathers information about the animal and its situation, throughout the process, that complements the DA's work. The hope is that abusive owners will relinquish ownership and the once abused or neglected animal begins rehabilitation.

Colleen Gibbons knows firsthand how difficult, yet rewarding, this part of the process can be. A 3L at the Syracuse University College of Law, Gibbons began her VALAC work when she met Teddy the Pit Bull. The dog suffered abuses that rendered him aggressive and a candidate for euthanasia. The only solution,

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Gibbons said, was to raise money to continue Teddy's care and to hire a behavior specialist to calm him.

In just 24 hours, along with the 'Cuse Pit Crew, Gibbons raised \$1,500 via a GoFundMe webpage. Teddy strengthened, his demeanor improved and ultimately he was adopted by a family eager to add another dog to its brood. Check out his Instagram @teddybullpitbull for updates on Teddy's new, happy life.

Micale passionately endorsed the VALAC program at the CLE's close. The attorney has seen both positive and heartbreaking results for local animals found in miserable conditions.

VALAC offers these animals one last bit of hope, she said, "We're the voice for them."

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What Can I Expect When I Call for an Appointment?

You will talk to an intake coordinator who may refer you to an experienced counselor. Family Services Associates serves as the Project's counseling agency.

Is Contact with the Lawyers' Assistance Project Confidential?

YES. You can discuss the issue of confidentiality with the intake coordinator or counselor.

Why Was the Project Set Up?

The Project was established to assist lawyers who have problems with alcohol, drugs, stress, anxiety, depression, gambling and other personal problems.

Who May Call?

Attorneys, judges and law students in Onondaga County and these other neighboring counties: Oswego, Jefferson, Lewis, Herkimer, Oneida, Cortland, Cayuga and Madison counties.



For more information contact:

The New York State Bar Association Lawyer Assistance Program-- (800) 255-0569

Family Services Associates-- (315) 451-2161

Onondaga County Bar Association

Executive Director, Jeff Unaitis-- (315) 579-2581

Hancock Estabrook Partner on M&T Bank Council

M&T Bank announced it has appointed Joseph T. Mancuso to its Directors Advisory Council for the Central New York region. At its regular meetings, the council provides M&T management with input on many matters related to its business and communities across Central New York, the bank says. Mancuso is a partner and member of the five-person executive committee at the Syracuse-based law firm Hancock Estabrook, LLP.



"With almost 20 years of experience practicing banking and finance law in Syracuse, Joseph brings with him an intimate understanding of our industry's regulations and how to effectively work within them to best support our customers and community. His extensive legal knowledge in areas such as lending and borrowing, mergers and acquisitions, and contract negotiations will prove to be a tremendous asset to M&T Bank as we continue to expand in the Central New York region," said Allen Naples, M&T Bank regional president for Central New York.

Justice John Falk on Judicial Conduct Commission



Brighton Town Court Justice John A. Falk (Monroe County) has been appointed to the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct by Chief Judge Janet DiFiore for a term ending March 31, 2021. Justice Falk is a partner at the Faraci Lange law firm in Rochester, where he focuses on personal injury litigation

Other information about the Commission can be found on the Commission's website: www.cjc.ny.gov.

Jennifer VanReenen Joins Menter, Rudin & Trivelpiece

Menter, Rudin & Trivelpiece, P.C. is pleased to announce that Jennifer R. VanReenen has joined the firm's Watertown office where she will focus on real estate and commercial transaction matters. Ms. VanReenen is a 2009 graduate of Trinity College Dublin School of Law and she also holds a PhD in Law from Dublin City University.



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Barclay Damon Award for Pro Bono/Community Work

Barclay Damon's acclaimed pro bono and United Way programs each received a prestigious award within a period of less than one week, a tribute to the firm's philosophy and long record of ensuring legal services to the under privileged and to charitable giving in the communities it serves.

The United Way of Central New York presented Barclay Damon its Campaign Excellence Award at the Achievements in Caring Celebration, April 27, in Syracuse. The award honors organizations that strongly believe in the importance of corporate and individual philanthropy. Marcy Robinson Dembs, Jillian C. Joyce, and Kayla A. Arias, all attorneys resident in Barclay Damon's Syracuse office, accepted the award on behalf of the firm. Marcy and Kayla are members of the firm's Diversity Leadership Team. Jillian led the Syracuse office's 2017 United Way campaign. In addition to the firm award, Jillian was honored as a nominee for Campaign Volunteer of the Year in recognition of her work as the firm's 2016 United Way campaign coordinator. The firm is a long-time supporter of the United Way.



Dembs, Joyce and Arias

In addition, the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA) presented Barclay Damon with a President's Pro Bono Service Award at a luncheon ceremony, May 1, in Albany. This award honors recipients for providing extraordinary pro bono service to New Yorkers who seek access to justice but cannot afford a lawyer. Robert P. Heary, a partner in the Buffalo office and a member of the firm's Diversity Partner Committee, accepted the award on behalf of the firm.



NYSBA's Sharon Stern Gerstman & Claire Gutekunst w/ Heary Barclay Damon recently achieved 100 percent participation in its pro bono program among full-time associate attorneys in each of the firm's 11 offices. Attorneys completed over 3,000 hours of pro bono services in 2016, with these services valued at approximately \$800,000.

Kelsey W. Shannon Joins Lynn Law Firm, LLP

The Lynn Law Firm is pleased to announce that Kelsey W. Shannon has joined the firm as an attorney. He is a cum laude graduate of Harvard Law School and Georgetown University, admitted to the bars of New York and Washington, D.C.



Kelsey joins the firm from the U.S. Department of Justice, where he represented the U.S. as a trial attorney beginning in 2014. He was awarded the John Marchall Award for Trial of Litigation by Attorney General Loretta Lynch.

He is an editor of the ABA's Proving Antitrust Damages treatise, author of anti-trust and trial practice articles, and was listed on the District of Columbia's Honor Roll of pro bono attorneys before joining the government.



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The Attorney General's Office is very pleased to announce the Western and Central New York Recruitment Open House in Syracuse.



When: Tuesday, June 13th at 5:30pm

Where: Genesee Grande Hotel, Tiffany Room, 1060 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, NY

Who: Law students & attorneys with at least two years of practice experience

Format: Panel discussion and networking reception.
No private interviews.

All attendees must register to attend online via the link below.

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FAMILY SEEKING LOST WILL DRAWN UP ON 400 BLOCK OF SALINA

The family of Edna Ruth Constance Tyrrell is looking for the attorney, possibly with an office on 400 block of Salina, who may have helped their sister draft a will in the late 1980s. Ms. Tyrrell resided in Syracuse at the time of her death on April 24, 2017. If you have any information, please contact Catherine Ann Woods at (315) 638-8873.

DEADLINE TO RETRIEVE FILES FROM THE LATE MARY J. FAHEY, ESQ.

Any clients of the late Mary J. Fahey, Esq. who died on April 16, 2017, who would like their files returned should contact Joseph E. Fahey, Esq. P.O. Box 225, Syracuse, New York 13201 or by calling (315) 448-8494 by June 15, 2017.

In Memoriam

April 2

Edward Clarke
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April 15

Mary J. Fahey

April 17

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April 21

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April 25

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

Young Lawyers Section Presents Craft Beer Tasting & performance of Deathtrap at Syracuse Stage



The Young Lawyers Section is proud to present a night out at Syracuse Stage. Join us for a craft beer tasting and performance of the show *Deathtrap* on Friday, May 19th at 6:30pm. Your \$25 ticket includes beer, food and the show (save \$15 off regular ticket price).

Deathtrap: Sidney Bruhl is a successful playwright lately plagued by a series of flops. When a sure-fired hit drops into his hands courtesy of a young student, Bruhl concocts a devilish plan that twists and turns its roller coaster course right through to the final moments. As spellbinding and entertaining as ever, Ira Levin's hit play is an ingeniously plotted theatrical thriller that excites screams and laughter.

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A CALL TO ACTION



Free CLE Program

3.0 MCLE

(2.0 Professional Practice, 1.0 Ethics)

Thursday, May 11th

Noon – 3 p.m.

Light Refreshments

Syracuse University College of Law

Melanie Grey Ceremonial Courtroom

Free Parking

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Panelists and Presenters

Hon. James Tormey, III
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Hon. Andra Ackerman
Cohoes City Court Judge

Jeremy Cali, Esq.
Senior ADA, Onondaga Co.

Heather Fischer
Love 146

Hon. Deborah Karalunas
Supreme Court Justice

Hon. Theodore Limpert
Syracuse City Court Judge

Joanne Macri, Esq.
*NYS Office of Indigent
Legal Services*

CJ Boykin, Esq.
*Human Trafficking
Prevention, DCJS*

Hon. Julie Cecile
Onondaga Co. Family Court Judge

Nora Cronin, Esq.
NYSOTDA

Capt. Mark Lincoln
NYS Police

Colleen Merced
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Hon. Toko Serita
Acting Supreme Court Justice

Sarah Reckess, Esq.
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Employment Law from Employer/Employee Perspectives: What Every Lawyer Should Know

Presenters: Sarah E. Ruhlen, Esq.
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Robert J. Thorpe, Esq.
Barclay Damon LLP



This CLE offers two viewpoints into the practice area of employment law - employee and employer. From employment discrimination to severance agreements, this seminar provides a basic understanding of the most common employment issues that might come up for lawyers.

1.5 MCLE (1.5 Professional Practice)

Wednesday, May 24
CNY Philanthropy Center, Second Floor Ballroom
431 East Fayette St., Syracuse NY 13202

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11:45 am – Noon Registration
Noon - 1:30 pm Program

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\$30 Member, \$60 Non-Member, \$15 Paralegal, FREE Lifetime/Agency/Student (checks payable to OCBA)

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