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Announcing OCBA's 2017 Distinguished Lawyer *Laurence G. Bousquet*



The Onondaga County Bar Association, in conjunction with its Nominating Committee chaired by Jim Williams, is proud to announce that this year's Distinguished Lawyer is Laurence G. Bousquet.

Mr. Bousquet is as much defined by his business sense, legal expertise and successes and pursuit of social justice as he is by his love for family, photography and the arts.

Turn to page 3 to read more about the Distinguished Lawyer Award and the many facets of this year's honoree.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SUCoL Kickoff Reception	8/28
OCBF Golf Tournament	9/12
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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

Summer is waning and back-to-school looms! Depending on your perspective, that is either good or bad. I hope you all were able to enjoy the great weather of the past few weeks with your friends and family. With school fast approaching, we are already receiving inquiries from the high schools that are participating in the "Lawyer in the Classroom" program requesting the names of the attorneys assigned to their school. Some are already asking to have a lawyer review their draft course curriculum. Their interest and obvious need is palpable.



THANK YOU, THANK YOU to the nearly 40 lawyers and judges that have already signed up! If you have not signed up, WE STILL NEED YOU!! Don't miss out. Please consider teaching your kids and grandkids for, at most, probably one class a month. You need only know basic legal concepts and will work with teachers to identify other areas of interest. Attorneys of all ages and levels of experience are needed. This program allows you a wonderful opportunity to give back to your community. We will be assigning attorneys to their respective schools shortly!

We still need lawyers for the following schools: **Solvay, Skaneateles, Tully, Liverpool, Marcellus, and Onondaga Central.**

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For the golfers out there, you know that September is the best month to play in Central New York. Please consider supporting the Onondaga County Bar Foundation and its important mission in addition to enjoying a fun day out of the office with your colleagues on September 12th at the Pompey Club (<https://www.onbar.org/events-programs/>). For you diehards not dealing with "back to school" issues, you may also want to consider joining our Oneida County Bar friends at their "End of Summer" outing on September 8th at Stonebridge Golf Club in New Hartford (<https://www.oneidacountybar.org/>). It's a very fun day!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James P. Murphy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

President, James P. Murphy

Laurence G. Bousquet: Distinguished Yet Humble

By: Carrie Chantler, Editor

Laurence G. Bousquet is many things: A proud father and family man, a successful transactional and tax attorney, a supporter of the arts, a photographer.

But it's his clear love for the City of Syracuse and his dogged pursuit of social justice that propels him toward community service.

Named the 2017 Distinguished Lawyer of the Year, Bousquet's curriculum vitae could boast two distinct resumes.

One touting his legal accomplishments, beginning with his 1980 J.D., with honors, from Syracuse University College of Law, where he would later co-teach partnership taxation for many years with his law school classmate Gerry Stack. Having joined the firm of Green & Seifter in 1984, Bousquet's practice developed under the inter-disciplinary mentorship of the late Edward Green. Bousquet and his partners acquired the practice from Mr. Green in 2001, and when Lowell Seifter became General Counsel of St. Joseph's Hospital in 2012, the firm changed its name to Bousquet Holstein in recognition of its senior members, Bousquet and David Holstein.

And another equally lengthy document detailing the many and diverse ways he commits his extra time and surplus brainpower to the benefit of Syracuse.

As of this writing, Bousquet is active in eight community organizations. These include:

- Chair of the Board of Directors, Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County
- Chair of the Board of Trustees, Crouse Health Foundation
- Syracuse City School District Educational Foundation, Grants Committee (former Grants Committee Chair and Director)
- Director and Executive Committee Member of CenterState CEO
- Member, Board of Directors, Syracuse 20/20
- Trustee, Past Chair of the Board of Trustees, The Gifford Foundation
- Member, Consensus Commission on Local Government Modernization
- Member, Libraries Advisory Board of Syracuse University

The list of civic institutions he's previously served is continued here:

- Past President, Hiscock Legal Aid Society
- Past President, Everson Museum of Art
- Past President, Onondaga Citizens League
- Past President, International Center of Syracuse
- President, Americanization League of Syracuse and Onondaga County
- Board of Directors (2007-09, 1986-88), Onondaga County Bar Association

It is worth noting the Distinguished Lawyer of the Year designation is not Bousquet's only accolade. On May 17, he was the recipient of the Catholic Charities President's Award, given in honor of his

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devotion to the betterment of the human condition and the demonstrated vision and leadership of his contributions, and is a past recipient of the Everson Medal for his service to the arts.

So, how does he do it? Remember, he has a demanding practice that concentrates in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, capital formation, enterprise structuring, and taxation.

"I stay up late. I don't need much sleep," he said, half joking. "But, in reality, it's about being part of a great team, whether in the office or in the community."

Bousquet joined the Crouse Health Foundation's Board of Trustees in 2005, becoming chair in 2015 and will serve in that capacity until May 2018. He and Carrie Berse, President of the Foundation, like to meet at various Cafés Kubal to strategize the foundation's work of supporting "the margins of excellence" of health care offered in the area.

"His temperament is really kind of key," Berse said. "When you sit down at the table with Larry, he feels it's important to hear all voices, to reach consensus. I genuinely feel his goal is to bring people together even if we have to give a little to get there."

When Bousquet learned of his recognition from OCBA President James P. Murphy, he graciously accepted the laurel despite his surprise at learning he'd been nominated for the bar association's highest honor.

"I stay up late. I don't need much sleep." "After I got over being stunned, I said that it must be a reflection on the company that I keep because I've had

the pleasure and honor of working with some really terrific lawyers over the years and a lot of them are my partners and other attorneys in our firm," he said. "I accepted it with that in mind."

When asked about his devotion to Syracuse, Bousquet's sharing of credit with others is a near-constant conversational impulse.

For example, the four years needed to prepare the Everson Museum for the 53 masterpieces it featured in late 2009 during the Turner to Cezanne exhibition, Bousquet, as the committee chair responsible for bringing the National Museum of Wales collection to its only northeastern appearance, takes his role in the effort in stride.

"It wasn't just one person," he said. "Bill Hider, who's one of my heroes and one of the people I look up to, was our business manager for 25 years and had been a client before that and Bill is one of the great people in Syracuse who is unsung, who's just tremendously creative," he said of the Everson's longtime treasurer and current Redhouse Board Chair. "He and I were co-conspirators in thinking that we could do some big things at the Museum when things hadn't happened in a big way for a long time and this whole idea of developing an Impressionist exhibition and doing what needed to be done to ready the museum for that and to engage the rest of the arts community in a celebration was a plot that Bill and I developed with others and convinced everybody else to get on board with it."

All the more impressive when the timing of the stunning collection's arrival is considered. As folks emerged from the Great Recession's ravages, thanks to Bousquet and cohorts, approximately 80,000 Central New Yorkers sought solace in the beautiful artwork.

And that's just one accomplishment. There's also the Onondaga Citizens League's 2005 Strategic Government Consolidation Study Bousquet chaired and helped author. Research gleaned from interviews with municipal leaders, phone and written surveys, focus groups, public forums, discussions with consolidation experts, and much poring over of data, the yearlong study keenly looked at Syracuse's harsh economic realities. The paper concluded hopefully and recommended local stakeholders participate in robust public conversation aimed at strategically addressing poverty, job creation, and government efficiency.

"The possibilities for this community are not limited to what we used to be," said Bousquet. "I

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think there's a lot of energy around trying to create sustainable solutions - there are no quick solutions to these issues. And when you're around people who are really purposeful and committed to making a difference and you can be at the table to contribute, that's a privilege. It keeps you going."

And there are yet more achievements such as his involvement with the creation of CenterState CEO, the region's business and economic development leadership organization, plus his steadfast support of the Volunteer Lawyers Project's mission of providing access to justice for those in need through engaging the legal community in volunteer service.

"When somebody thanks you for community service you say 'why are you thanking me?' this is an opportunity I have that is one of the most rewarding things that I do. You meet some pretty incredible people who do amazing things and you get to be a little bit of a part of that."

Bousquet's work with Book Buddies, a Syracuse 20/20 program working to boost reading levels in first- and second-graders at Seymour School, is a favorite. "I tell everybody that it's the best hour of the week," he said.

Begun in March of 2014, Book Buddies seeks to raise poor reading levels, a graduation rate predictor, in students before they reach 3rd grade. Bousquet, a staunch supporter and graduate of Syracuse's public schools, is committed to the pilot program.

Ever the champion of causes, Bousquet, once again, "went to bat for the program and found resources," said Laurie Black, director of the Early Childhood Alliance. "Larry is passionate about the city school district and tireless in his support."

Bousquet's Syracuse roots are deep. His ancestors helped design and build the Erie Canal.

Parents Joseph and Anne, Bousquet explains, provided foundational examples of community

service. Their commitment to organizations, such as the Visiting Nurses Association and Planned Parenthood, set a high standard.

"My dad was on the National Board of Planned Parenthood, which was a pretty heady experience for him in the mid-to-late 1960s," he said.

His only child, his son Christopher, now doing research work at the Harvard Kennedy School, attended the same city elementary school as Bousquet, his mother, and his brother, partner and brownfields tax credit attorney, Phil.

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Wife and LeMoyne College Education Professor Lauri Pepe Bousquet recalls a favorite moment when her husband created a sixth-grade class project that exposed 120 students to photography. Combining essay writing and learning how to capture a meaningful image, Bousquet extended his affinity for visual art to the next generation.

"Larry devised that project, he was the impetus," she said. "He found a way to get cameras for all the kids."

Today, Bousquet Holstein hosts a photography contest open to all area high school students. The winning photographer splits with his or her school a \$1,000 scholarship and the first place photo becomes the cover of the law firm's Thanksgiving Card.

Short of entering into politics, Bousquet feels public service and meting out social justice is the best way to enact change and contribute, his wife said.

"It's a huge priority for him," she said. "I think it nourishes his soul to give back to the community."



16th Annual Dan Mathews Golf Outing

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Location: Pompey Country Club



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Schedule

11:30am Registration & Lunch
12:45pm 18 Hole Shotgun Start
5:30pm Dinner & Awards

Prices

\$125 18 Holes, Cart & Steak Bake
\$100 Newly Admitted Attorney (<5 years)
\$50 Steak Bake Only

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The Lawyers' Assistance Project Of Onondaga County

What is the Lawyers' Assistance Project?

The Lawyers' Assistance Project of Onondaga County is a confidential service providing information, referrals, access to professional counseling and peer support.

What Kind of Assistance is Available?

You are entitled to a confidential telephone consultation, free counseling sessions with a professional counselor, and participation in peer support groups.

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

Family Law Committee Meeting

September 19, 2017

12:15 - 1:30

CNY Philanthropy Center

Topic

NYS Child Welfare Court Improvement Project

Speakers

Hon. Michele Pirro Bailey

Lead judge for our local group known as the Child Welfare Stakeholders' Group.

Jody Agostinelli

Child Welfare Court Improvement Project Liason.

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Carrie Chantler at 579-2578
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The Annual
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Recognizing the “Class of 1967”

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When

Thursday, September 14th
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Where

Pascale's at Drumlins
800 Nottingham Rd.
Syracuse, NY 13224

Why

These colleagues have served their clients, community and the legal profession for 50 years and we join to celebrate their contributions.

How

Cost is \$35. Register at www.onbar.org/events-programs/ or call Peggy Walker at 579-2582.

Please RSVP by Friday, September 8th

Class of 1967



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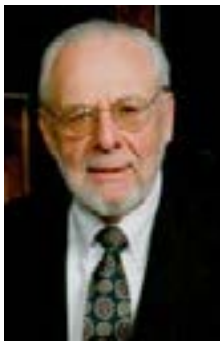
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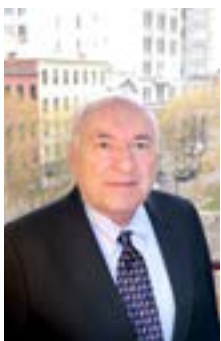
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Fall Kickoff

Networking Reception

Syracuse University
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Meet the New Class of Law Students!

Monday, August 28th

5:30 - 8 p.m.

Levy Atrium, Dineen Hall

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Attorney James Sparkes Announces New Address

The Sparkes Law Group is now located at:

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NUAIR Picks Bousquet Holstein as General Counsel

Bousquet Holstein PLLC, a diversified law firm located in Syracuse, was recently selected by the not-for-profit corporation, The Northeast UAS Airspace Integration Research Alliance, Inc. ("NUAIR") with offices in Syracuse, NY and Rome, NY to serve as its corporate General Counsel.



Manuel Arroyo Receives Pro Bono Champion Award



On July 20, Hancock Estabrook attorney Manuel A. Arroyo received a 2017 Pro Bono Champion Award in the area of "Community Economic Development" from the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County, Inc. (VLP).

He received this award based on his support of the VLP Entrepreneur and Small Business Clinic. Manny is counsel in Hancock Estabrook's Corporate, Banking & Finance, and Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Practices, and is also the Firm's Diversity Officer.

Prior to becoming an attorney, he founded and operated several businesses through which he gained extensive experience in both corporate and real estate transactions. The overall mission of the VLP is to provide low income people access to civil legal services by increasing the pro bono participation of the Onondaga County legal community. Hancock Estabrook, LLP is one of Upstate New York's leading law firms, with offices in Syracuse, Ithaca, Rome and Albany.

The NUAIR Alliance, is a New York based not-for-profit that has developed a coalition of more than 100 private and public entities and academic institutions working together to operate and oversee Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) test ranges in New York, Massachusetts and Michigan. It has also been endorsed by the New York Governor's office to lead efforts to develop a fully functional UAS corridor between Hancock International Airport in Syracuse, NY and Griffiss International Airport in Rome, NY for the testing and use of commercial drones.

Bousquet Holstein will assist NUAIR with its efforts to develop and implement the UAS Secure Autonomous Flight Environment (U-SAFE) initiative. This project incorporates a functioning unmanned traffic management system (UTM) with the advancement of additional UAS focused projects in the Central New York region. The U-SAFE initiative was a primary focus of a \$500 million award to the Central New York region through the Upstate Revitalization Initiative (URI) initiated by the Governor's office in 2015. In addition to these specific projects, Bousquet Holstein attorneys will assist NUAIR with its internal corporate and business affairs as needed.

Do you have a Newsmaker?

Send your legal news and press releases to Carrie Chantler at cchantler@onbar.org.

The Lynn Law Firm Announces New Address

The Lynn Law Firm is now located at:

Lynn Law Firm, LLP
M&T Bank Building
101 South Salina St.
Suite 750
Syracuse, NY 13202.



Same address,
different floor.

Ellen Weinstein to Receive Hannah Solomon Award



The National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Syracuse Section At-Large, honors Ellen Weinstein as the recipient of the 2017 Hannah G. Solomon Award.

The Hannah Solomon Award will be presented at a luncheon on Monday, October 9, 2017 at Justin's Grill in East Syracuse, NY.

The Hannah G. Solomon Award is a national award presented by individual sections of the NCJW. This is the 45th year of the Syracuse Hannah G. Solomon Award. "The award is named for the founder of NCJW and is given to women who have demonstrated exceptional service to both the Jewish community and the community-at-large," said organizers of the event. Invitations will be mailed in early September.

Kim Wolf Price New Dir. of Externships at SUCoL

Kimberly Wolf Price, former Director of Career Services at Syracuse University College of Law, is the new Director of Externship Programs at the school.



Upon graduation from SUCoL, Ms. Wolf Price joined the New York City office of Clifford Chance as an associate where she gained experience in securities litigation and white collar criminal defense. Most recently, Ms. Wolf Price was an associate with Gilberti, Stinziano, Heintz & Smith in Syracuse where she practiced civil litigation with a focus on complex business litigation and environmental law.

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Menter, Rudin & Trivelpiece, P.C. proudly announces that the following attorneys have been named as 2017 Upstate New York Super Lawyers: Jeffrey A. Dove (Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights); Mitchell J. Katz (Business Litigation); Thomas J. Fucillo (Environmental), Julian B. Modesti (Business Litigation) and Kevin M. Newman (Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights). Also, Teresa M. Bennett and Michael J. Balestra have been named as Upstate New York Rising Stars. Only five percent of the lawyers in New York State are chosen as Super Lawyers under a rigorous process including a statewide survey of lawyers and peer evaluation by practice area.

Hancock Estabrook Upstate NY Super Lawyers 2017

Smith Sovik has 21 on 2017 Upstate NY Super Lawyers



Nineteen Hancock Estabrook attorneys were selected as "Upstate New York Super Lawyers" for 2017. They include Cora A. Alsante, Daniel B. Berman, Janet D. Callahan, John F. Corcoran, Marion Hancock Fish, John T. McCann, Walter L. Meagher, Jr., John L. Murad, Jr., Timothy P. Murphy, Alan J. Pierce, John G. Powers, Doreen A. Simmons, and Robert C. Whitaker, Jr. Six of these attorneys, Manuel A. Arroyo, Jaime J. Hunsicker, Daniel K. Mannion, James J. O'Shea, Christina Verone Juliano and James P. Youngs, have been selected as "Upstate New York Super Lawyers – Rising Stars" for 2017. Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement and is limited to 5% of the lawyers in the state.



Smith Sovik Kendrick & Sugnet is proud to announce that 21 attorneys were selected to the 2017 Upstate New York Super Lawyers List. Super Lawyers® ranks outstanding lawyers who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement.

Super Lawyers list (Top 5%)

Kevin Hulslander: Civil Litigation Defense, **Top 10 List**

Top 50 List

Eric Johnson: Personal Injury Medical Malpractice
Brandon King: Personal Injury General Defense
James Lantier: Personal Injury Medical Malpractice
Steven Williams: General Litigation

Kristen Benson: General Litigation
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Carrie Pollak Receives 40 Under Forty Award

Hancock Estabrook attorney Carrie J. Pollak has been announced as a "40 Under Forty Award" recipient, presented by M&T Bank and the Business Journal News Network. Award winners were selected from a pool of 100 nominations and based on their business accomplishments, community involvement, and leadership roles in Central New York. Carrie was recognized due to her leading role in promoting Hancock Estabrook in the Ithaca business community and spearheading the launch of Hancock Estabrook's Nonprofit Governance & Tax-Exempt Organizations Practice. The recognition is also due to her service on a number of non-profit boards, including the Visiting Nurse Service of Ithaca and Tompkins County and The Wetland Conservancy.



2017 Upstate Rising Stars (Top 2.5%)

Eric Bernhardt: Personal Injury General Defense
John Coghlan: Personal Injury Medical Malpractice
Christopher DeFrancesco: Personal Injury General Defense
John Goldman: Personal Injury General Defense
Karen Krogman Daum: Personal Injury Medical Malpractice
Brady O'Malley: Civil Litigation Defense

Onondaga CASA Matters

By: Toni Guidice

Keith has been a ward of New York State since December 2012. Since then, he has been in foster care, two residential placements and experienced an adoption placement that ended poorly. He's been assigned three different caseworkers and three different therapists.

He's had one CASA worker.

Betty Carroll, of Syracuse, has been visiting Keith for five years. And even though the 11-year-old has lived in a residential facility in another county since January 2015, she still drives 70 minutes one way to see him regularly.

Onondaga CASA — Court Appointed Special Advocates — serves abused and neglected children in Syracuse and Onondaga County. Judges appoint CASA volunteers to provide advocacy for children who have been removed or are at risk of being removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. A CASA volunteer's role is to make sure these children don't get lost in the overburdened legal and social service system. They speak with anyone who has contact with the child — foster parents, doctors, teachers, caseworkers, relatives and even sometimes neighbors. They gather information and present it to

the presiding family court judge and all parties in the form of an objective report. Volunteers stay with each case until it is closed and the child is placed in a safe, permanent home. Volunteers log hundreds of unpaid hours in the effort.



"More than 300 children experience foster care in this county each year," said Stefanie Savory, program director of Onondaga CASA. "Because there are not enough CASA volunteers to represent all of the children in care, judges typically assign CASA volunteers to their most difficult cases."

Keith's is one such case. The child has one brother, who will be adopted soon. But Keith's disruptive behavior, past trauma and IQ of 65 — likely caused by high levels of lead in his blood — have made placement difficult. Carroll said there was a time Keith was "a danger to himself and others."

Carroll enrolled in the first Onondaga County class for special advocates in 1997 and graduated from the 30-hour training program in 1998. Currently, CASA serves 55 children in 28 cases with 19 volunteers, according to Savory.

Savory has been at the helm of Onondaga CASA since the fall of 2014. Born and raised in Syracuse, Savory graduated from Western Michigan University Cooley Law School. She moved to Chicago where she practiced family law and was a CASA volunteer for Cook County. In 2013, she returned to Syracuse with her husband to start a family. They reside in North Syracuse.

Since joining the Onondaga CASA community, Savory said her focus has been growing and expanding the number of families served. She is a strong believer in the collaboration among all service providers and building relationships.

CASA BY THE NUMBERS

More than 400,000 children are in the U.S. foster care system

- **Approx. 24,000** of those children live in New York State.

76,500 CASA and Guardian Ad Litem volunteers in the U.S.

- **700** are in New York State

1,000 CASA programs in the nation

- **Onondaga CASA is 1** of them.

Many Cogs in the CASA Machine

CASA receives its operating funds from various sources: individual community donors, the Office of Court Administration and fundraising efforts.

CASA's national chapter provided start-up money and a Syracuse University sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta, hosts two annual fundraisers. Just recently, the Jim and Juli Boeheim Foundation awarded CASA a \$5,000 grant.

The sorority's first fundraiser of the year is set for October 21st at the Genesee Grande Hotel and will offer a silent and live auction. A 1961 Thunderbird will be on the auction block. Corporate sponsors and invitees are being sought for this event.

As for Betty Carroll, she received word that a second potential adoptive home did not work out and Keith

remains at the residential facility. She has hopes another family will step forward. If one does, Carroll will be there for Keith, just as she has for more than 50 other children in her nearly 20-year commitment to abused and neglected children.

However long it takes, she will stay with Keith until he finds his forever home.



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Toni Guidice worked for the Post-Standard for 23 years in many capacities, including operations editor, night city editor and assistant news editor. She retired in January 2013. That year, she was honored by the Syracuse Press Club with the Selwyn Kershaw Professional Standards Award. She became a CASA volunteer in 2010. Her last case, which ended in June after more than two years, involved six children residing in Onondaga and Oneida counties.

OCBA 2017 Calendar of Events		
August	28	SUCoL Fall Kickoff Netorking Reception
September	12	16 th Annual Dan Mathews Golf Outing
	14	50-Year Luncheon
	19	Family Law Committee Meeting
	22	CLE Going Solo: Establishing Your Own Law Practice
October	22	CLE 3 rd Annual Class & Clams in Oswego
	23	CLE Family Court 2017 Practicum
December	26	Annual Dinner
	7	Holiday Open House



Left: Judge McCurn, Above: Neal's widow, Nancy, and their six children

Our dad, U.S. District Court Judge Neal P. McCurn, was a person of character, integrity and generosity. And as the father of six children he was also an example of patience, understanding and compassion.

While approaching retirement, he established the McCurn Family Fund at the Community Foundation to be funded by his estate. He wanted us to use it to help organizations that mirrored the values that he and mom taught us growing up.

By establishing this fund and letting us administer his legacy, he was really giving a gift to us; he taught us the joy of giving to others and inspired us to do the same in our own lives.

One of the most pleasant gatherings we have every year is getting together to discuss and decide about our annual giving through our dad's fund. We are proud to carry on his generous legacy.



Read more of the McCurns' story at McCurn.5forCNY.org

Passing Giving on: Honorable Neal McCurn



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Judge Hanuszcak at Naturalization Ceremony



On July 4th, Acting State Supreme Court Justice the Hon. Michael L. Hanuszcak presided over a Naturalization Ceremony at the Onondaga County Lakeview Amphitheater.

Twenty-five individuals were sworn-in as new citizens and the ceremony was followed with a performance by Symphoria featuring the Syracuse Pops Chorus.

Photo By: James E. Corl, Jr., Esq.

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Monday, October 23rd

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Oneida County Bar Association End of Summer Golf Outing

Friday, September 8, 2017
Stonebridge Golf and Country Club
2430 Graffenburg Road, New Hartford
Captain and Crew

**PLEASE SUBMIT
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FORM AND CHECK
NO LATER THAN
SEPTEMBER 1, 2017**

Chairman: George C. Murad, Esq.

- TIME:** 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. – Registration and Lunch
1:00 p.m. – Shot Gun Tee Time
- LUNCH:** Hot Dogs, Burgers, Macaroni Salad available at the Club House adjacent to 1st Tee
- COCKTAILS:** 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. – Two Hour Open Bar
- DINNER:** 7:00 p.m.
- MENU:** Dinner Buffet - Carved Beef and Turkey, Baked Haddock, Pasta Station with Two Pastas, Antipasto Station, Stuffed Mushrooms, Cheese & Crackers, Pizza
- PRIZES:** Longest Drive, Closest to Pin, Raffles, 50/50 Drawing

CARTS INCLUDED

Please send your registration form and check to the Oneida County Bar Association at 258 Genesee St., Suite 302, Utica, NY 13502 no later than September 1, 2017.

Name(s): _____ Phone #: _____

Number Attending: _____ 18 Holes of Golf x \$50.00 = \$ _____

Number Attending: _____ 18 Holes of Golf w/Dinner & Open Bar x \$110.00 = \$ _____

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TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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2017 Education & Leadership Conference
September 15th - 16th

The Empire State Alliance of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (“ESAPA”) was formed in January 1988 by five paralegal associations from across New York State. The primary purpose was to promote and strengthen the paralegal profession in New York. In support of this initiative, ESAPA is hosting its 2017 Education & Leadership Conference on September 15th and 16th. The conference will be held at the magnificently restored Marriott Downtown Syracuse, beginning with a networking event the evening of Friday, September 15th, followed by a full day of CLEs and a dinner featuring Keynote Speaker Hon. James P. Murphy on Saturday, September 16th.

The following CLEs will be offered:

- How to Take and Perfect Appeals
- Ethics for the Paralegal: A Bird’s Eye View of the ABA Guidelines on Utilizing Paralegals and Updated New York Law
- We Know What Paralegals Need to Do for Their Lawyers – But What Do Your Lawyers Need to Do for You?
- Modern eDiscovery: Are You Smarter Than a 5th Year?
- Healthcare and Elder Law
- How to Create a Scientific Understanding of the Mild TBI Case in Litigation
- Social Security Law
- Eliminate Headaches from Improper Service of Process
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- Gain necessary know-how of how to use SOCIAL MEDIA and CLOUD COMPUTING
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4.5 MCLE (3.0 Skills + 1.0 Ethics + 0.5 Practice Mgmt.)

Friday, September 22

CNY Philanthropy Center, 2nd Floor Ballroom 431 East Fayette St., Syracuse NY 13202

Register at Onbar.org or by mail using form below

8:30 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast Program

9 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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3rd ANNUAL CLASS & CLAMS

Friday, September 22, 2017
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Member \$50

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Total MCLE 6.5:
5.5 Professional Practice + 1.0 Ethics

- 8:30 - 9:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 - 10:50 **Matrimonial Law and Family Law Update** | Bruce Wagner, Esq., McNamee Lochner
(2.0 professional practice)
- 10:50 - 11:00 Break
- 11:00 - 11:50 **The Nuts and Bolts of Real Property Tax Assessment Challenges** | Debra C. Sullivan, Esq. | Menter, Rudin & Trivilpiece, P.C. (1.0 professional practice)
- 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch provided
- 1:00 - 1:50 **Crimmigration: Counsel's Duties to Noncitizen Clients** Sharon Ames, Esq./Tina Hartwell, Esq. | Immigration Assistance Center-Region 2 (1.0 professional practice)
- 2:00 - 2:50 **Appeals to County Court** | Philip Rothschild, Esq., Hiscock Legal Aid Society, (0.5 professional practice)
- 2:50 - 3:00 Break
- 3:00 - 4:50 **New York Civil Practice and Ethics Update** | Patrick Connors, Esq. | (1.0 professional practice, 1.0 ethics)

Under NYS rules this CLE has been APPROVED for both Newly Admitted and Experienced Attorneys

3rd Annual Class & Clams, Friday, September 22nd, 2017

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