



# ONONDAGA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BAR REPORTER

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## A Full House: Section/Committee Chairs Meet to Plan OCBA Initiatives and Events



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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

**T**hings were hopping at the Bar offices in September! As you will see in this month's edition, we hosted a meeting of all the new Section and Committee chairs and charged them with meeting regularly and formulating CLE programs that are particularly relevant to their subject area. They were an enthusiastic and capable group. Stay tuned for notices of their meetings.

Furthering one of our core missions "to cultivate social discourse among its members," many participated in the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Dan Mathews Golf Outing on an absolutely stunning day in Pompey. Suffice it to say, fun was had by all! Two days later, we hosted our 50-Year luncheon at Drumlins. If you have never attended one of these celebrations, you are missing out. The personal and career paths of these remarkable individuals far surpasses interesting and is truly inspirational.

During this month, thanks to the **more than 80 lawyers and judges** who have volunteered, the Lawyer in the Classroom program has been fully implemented and is underway assisting our local high schools. Many thanks to all!

On September 16th, our own Paralegal Committee, very capably chaired by Kathrine Cook for many years, hosted the Empire State Alliance of Paralegal Associations' statewide conference in Syracuse and I was honored to speak to them. Music was provided by our very own Executive Director Jeff Unaitis!

All of these things happened in addition to the normal monthly business of Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Judiciary Committee, Section and Board of Director meetings, administering CLE and Lawyer Referral programs, planning the Annual Dinner and Holiday Luncheon, along with all the other ordinary business and office functions.

Throughout the entire crazy month, the Bar Office staff, as always, accomplished everything with extreme proficiency, professionalism and a smile! Their dedication is palpable. No complaining, just a determination and heart-felt desire to get the job done. Having witnessed all of this in the past month first hand, I just wanted to take a moment to publicly thank Maggie James, Peggy Walker, Carrie Chantler and Michele Maciejewski, with a special shout out of appreciation to Executive Director Jeff Unaitis. They are the truly the lifeblood of this organization!



  
President, James P. Murphy

# Paralegals Conference Lands in Syracuse September 15-16

By: Kathrine Cook, Chair, Paralegals Section

Syracuse recently played host to a weekend-long conference of the Empire State Association of Paralegal Associations (ESAPA). OCBA Paralegal Committee Chair Kathrine Cook, who serves on the ESAPA Board, was liaison to the planning committee for this Conference held at the Marriott Syracuse Downtown from September 15-16.

OCBA President the Hon. James Murphy was asked to deliver the keynote address during



the conference's Saturday night dinner, and spoke on trends and challenges facing not only the paralegal community, but also the legal community at large.

Many sponsors and vendors lent their support to the Conference which attracted more than 60 registrants from across New York State. The Onondaga County Bar Foundation sponsored the conference and also awarded scholarships to three local attendees.



## It's that time again – OCBA Paralegals Section Luncheons will resume!

**Our first speaker will be Trent R. Amond, MBA, J.D., C.M., ASC, Chief Financial Officer for the SRAA/Syracuse Hancock International Airport on Thursday, October 12, 2017, and his topic will be "Airport Law (Or: How I learned to Stop Worrying and Love That There Is No Such Thing)".**

Come on out and enjoy this terrific speaker and fellowship with other Paralegals from our legal community. The luncheon will be held in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room at the CNY Philanthropy Center, 431 East Fayette Street in Syracuse.

This is a luncheon for everyone so invite your co-workers and friends! Attorneys and Legal Administrators are welcome!

**To make your reservation contact Jean Swanger at [JSwanger@Gilbertilaw.com](mailto:JSwanger@Gilbertilaw.com) (emails preferred) or call Jean at 442-0174. The cost for the luncheon is \$12.00 for members of the OCBA, and \$13.00 for non-members.**

Remember that you will be responsible for the cost of your lunch if you do not cancel your reservation before the reservation deadline, Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

# Networking is Meaningful: OCBA Section and Committee Heads Meet

By: Carrie Chantler

**A**cting on one of his key initiatives, OCBA President James P. Murphy is setting into motion opportunities for members to get to know each other, expand their networks and advance shared interests.

Murphy met recently with approximately 30 new bar association section and committee chairs. He envisions, he said, a robust local bar, where OCBA members don't only meet in adversarial settings, but cultivate beneficial relationships, create educational programs, and interact socially outside of court or away from the negotiating table.

"This is the beginning of a new chapter for the bar," he said. "I think it's critical to get these sections up and running."

In some cases, new co-chairs shook hands with each other for the first time and together reviewed a packet of materials meant to assist in activating their sections. To help them, OCBA staffers introduced themselves and



*OCBA President James Murphy addresses the OCBA Leaders*

offered insight into the administrative help they're eager to provide.

By selecting two people to lead the sections most ommittees the leadership responsibility is shared, Murphy said.

"We get into busy streaks in this work," he said. "I deliberately picked co-chairs because it can be a lot for one person."

But, worth it.

"Our Committee and Section members are at the core of the OCBA's work to improve the legal profession," Murphy's agenda read.

Murphy enumerated his motivation for invigorating bar committee and section leadership

- Network with colleagues who share your interests, challenges and concerns
- Participate in substantive discussions addressing timely practice area development
- "Dig Deeper" into best practices and work collegially to address current issues
- Contribute to the betterment of the legal profession: whether the work involves participating in the disciplinary process, developing programs for young lawyers, creating resources for experienced lawyers.

The chairs were given a to-do list. In addition to holding regular meetings, Murphy called for the creation of 6.0 MCLE credit CLEs, per section, on relevant topics.

"I believe this is critically important in our profession. It makes us a better legal community," he said.

Chairs were encouraged to recognize the "unique spot" in which they find themselves and submit articles to the Bar Reporter newsletter that "take a position," with the caveat the OCBA Board of Directors would require input.

"I would love to see us get to that level," said Murphy.

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# Networking is Meaningful: OCBA Section and Committee Heads Meet



Distinguished Lawyer Committee Chair Gioia Gensini, a longtime OCBA member and past president, said networking is meaningful.

She understood Murphy's message and likened being an OCBA leader to the takeaways gained by traveling far from home.

"You get a sense of what needs to change, you get a feel for other cultures and you become well rounded," she said. "It makes you more empathetic to what other attorneys are going through."

Prompted by 2017 Distinguished Lawyer of the Year recipient Laurence G. Bousquet to join the bar association, back in 1983, before she was admitted to practice law, Gensini warmly recalled her colleague's call to get involved.

Hosting at least one social event such as a happy hour, luncheon, golf outing, reception or sponsored cultural event was also strongly encouraged. Associated costs could be absorbed by sponsor-driven vendors and partners.

"Larry Bousquet said 'Have I got a committee for you. Law Week Committee.' I was on Law Week forever, that was 34 years ago and I've never left!"

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# 50-Year Luncheon: A Room Full of Wisdom



Luncheon Honorees from L to R: Gary Germain, Wallace McDonald, Anthony Adorante, Anthony Endieveri, Paul Newman, David Liddell, Andy Pappas, Richard Sargent, Hugh Gregg



# 50-Year Luncheon: A Room Full of Wisdom

## Comments from 50-Year Class Speaker David Liddell

The first order of priority is for our collective class to thank the bar foundation, the bar association, the respective Presidents of each, and of course the bar staff headed by Jeff Unaitis and Peggy Walker, for this much appreciated tribute. Having chaired this event for several years, it is a little disconcerting to be at the receiving end. Time has a way of catching up with us. This is truly a celebration of longevity. Now, if you'll permit me, a little retrospective.

In our 50 years of practice, one of the most significant changes that we have observed is the transition from a male-dominated profession to the present, where nearly half of the law school classes are made up of women. When I graduated from the Syracuse University College of Law we had one woman in our class and she became a professor at our school. Now, the Local Bar is made up of roughly 30 percent women. This is a result of, and tribute to, the many sacrifices that women have made to be able to ply their trade, and the gradual, but steady, efforts being made to accommodate their choices. Also, we've observed the tremendous success rates that they have achieved in the Executive & Judicial arenas of our government at all levels.

When we were admitted, the largest law firms in Syracuse were in the range of 30-50 attorneys. Now, we have regional law firms of 150-200 attorneys. The merits of this expansion is the subject of conjecture, but it is a fact of life.

Another important advance during this period is the vast amount of time attorneys have dedicated to not-for-profit activities and pro bono efforts. This contribution is on behalf of the Community at Large. At times we are rewarded with so called "lawyer jokes" -- some of which are rather clever and in great abundance. Yet the legal practice still continues to be able to laugh at itself and respond with good works.

Another significant change from the early years after our admission is the ever increasing role that technology plays in our lives as lawyers -- whether it is in the area of legal research (from "hands on" to "log on"), or more recently, the e filing of legal proceedings at most court levels.

The Bar Association itself has seen many changes in these 50 years. Staffing is now more focused. The Volunteer Lawyers Project, once a program of the Association, OCBA's Lawyer Referral Service and CLE programs have significant roles in providing outreach in the legal community. This Luncheon and the Annual Dinners have been fixtures of the Association but I, for one, do miss the camaraderie generated by the Annual Clambake and the Bar Ripsters (our own Jazz group made up of practicing attorneys).

As our class moves into its next 50 years, let us collectively remember all the accomplishments that we, as lawyers, have been able to achieve, the friendships we have made and the joy of being part of one of the noblest professions.

## 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

# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Dan Mathews Golf Outing Raises \$8K To Support Bar Foundation's Lawyer Assistance Program

By: Jeff Unaitis

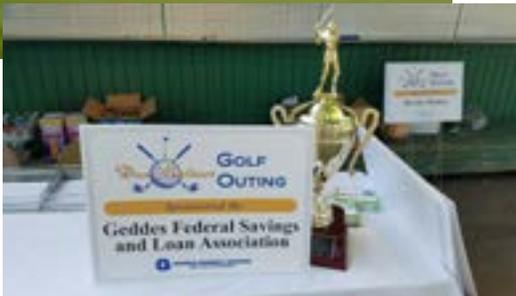
Nearly 60 golfers and guests returned to the Pompey Golf and Country Club on Tuesday, September 12 for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Dan Mathews Memorial Golf Outing, supporting the Onondaga County Bar Foundation and its mission to help lawyers in need through its Lawyer Assistance Program.

Thanks to team registrations, donations and sponsorships, nearly \$8,000 was raised. (See sponsors on next page.)

On a picture-perfect late summer day, guests enjoyed a hamburger lunch and Pompey Club's famous steak bake dinner. Golfers competed in contests including longest drive, most accurate drive, closest to green and a very competitive putting contest, requiring a "putt off" of five golfers who made the challenging putt.



Plaques were awarded to winning teams in the Men's, Senior's and Mixed



divisions, with the overall low score in this captain and crew competition taking home the Championship Cup. That team consisted of Jim Murphy, Tim Murphy, Pat Hennessy and Graeme Spicer.

Plans are already under way to return to Pompey Club in 2018, on a date in early August. Volunteers interested in helping out with next year's event should contact OCBA Executive Director Jeff Unaitis.

Daniel F. Mathews, Jr. was a lifelong practicing attorney in the City of Syracuse, a former Town of Geddes Justice, and Chairman of the Board of Geddes Federal Savings & Loan Association. A devoted husband, father, grandfather and friend, he was extremely interested in helping the

less fortunate and those in need, sacrificing his time and energy to help others. He was a mentor to many young, aspiring lawyers in the community. He always placed his family and others before himself. An avid golfer, he had strongly supported this Tournament since its inception until his untimely death in 2001. The Bar Foundation is appreciative of the continued support provided by Geddes Federal, the Mathews Law Firm, and his family including wife Marcia, sons Dan and Mark, and daughter Jeanne.



*Winners, Senior Division: (l. to r.) Joe Chemotti, Larry Golden, Joe Lamendola and Ed Menkin*



*Winners, Mixed Division: Sugarman Law Firm: (l. to r.) Zach Mattison, Danielle Fogel, Mike Boisvert and Paul Mullin*



*Winners, Men's Division and Championship Cup: (l. to r.) Tim Murphy, Pat Hennessy, Jim Murphy and Graeme Spicer*

# The 16th Annual Dan Mathews Golf Outing

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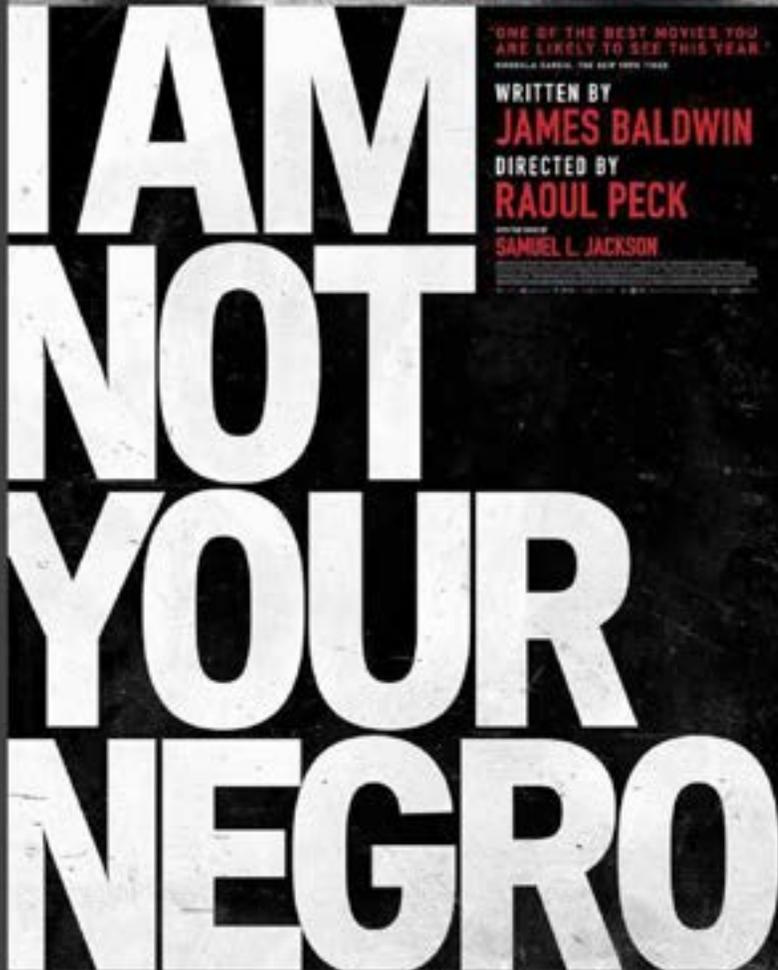
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The Onondaga County Bar Association's  
Diversity & Inclusion Committee invites you to  
a *free* screening followed by discussion

Thursday, October 5 – 5:30 p.m. refreshments, 6:15 screening  
at Jazz Central: 441 E. Washington St., corner of Townsend  
(near OCBA offices)



*I Am Not Your Negro* offers an incendiary snapshot of James Baldwin's crucial observations on American race relations -- and a sobering reminder of how far we've yet to go.

It was one of the top documentaries of 2016 – don't miss it here!

*Seating at Jazz Central is limited – please arrive early to ensure seating.*

*The movie is 90 minutes and will be followed by a facilitated discussion led by Syracuse University College of Law Professor and Director of the Cold Case Justice Initiative Paula C. Johnson.*

Click [here](#) for more information about this film.

Syracuse University College of Law;  
the Institute for the Study of the Judiciary, Politics, and the Media;  
and the NDNY-Federal Court Bar Association present

# United States Supreme Court: The 2017-2018 Term

Friday, October 20, 2017

1:30 to 4:15 p.m.

Registration opens at 1:00 p.m.

Melanie Gray Ceremonial Courtroom, Dineen Hall

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The Supreme Court's 2016-2017 term was marked by caution and consensus that reflected the eight justices' "strenuous efforts" to rule narrowly to avoid deadlocks. After the 2016 election and the subsequent confirmation of Justice Neil Gorsuch in April, the Court is back to fighting weight. As speaker Amy Howe explains, the Court's docket for 2017-2018 has "no shortage of blockbusters," presenting issues including: the constitutionality of President Trump's travel ban; whether Colorado's public accommodations law violates a bakery owner's First Amendment rights by requiring him to make custom cakes for same-sex weddings; whether the Fourth Amendment protects historical cell-site location information (and the continued viability of the controversial third-party doctrine); whether Wisconsin's most recent legislative redistricting is unconstitutional partisan gerrymandering; and whether arbitration agreements that require employees to forgo collective, class-action relief are enforceable under the Federal Arbitration Act (a case in which DOJ's position from before the election has changed). This program will examine the impacts of the 2016 election on the 2017-2018 term and on the composition of the Court going forward and will include previews and analysis of key cases on the Court's 2017-2018 docket.

Syracuse University College of Law and the Northern District of New York Federal Court Bar Association have been certified by the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board as Accredited Providers of continuing legal education in the State of New York.

"United States Supreme Court: the 2017-2018 Term" complies with the requirements of the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board for **3.0 credits** towards the professional practice requirement. This program is appropriate for newly admitted and experienced attorneys. This is a single program. No partial credit will be awarded.

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Barclay Damon Continues to Grow Its IP Team

Barclay Damon continues to expand its noted intellectual property litigation team with the recent additions of Laura A. Vogel, partner, and Hoda Rifai-Bashjawish, associate. They join Marc Henschke, who joined the firm as a partner earlier this year. These appointments demonstrate the firm's strong and ongoing commitment across the life sciences industry, including pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device companies, by hiring leading attorneys to provide cutting-edge client solutions.



Laura A. Vogel has represented pharmaceutical and biotechnology clients in more than 20 Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA) cases as litigation counsel or co-counsel. [Click here](#) for more about Laura's practice, including her representative experience.

Hoda Rifai-Bashjawish represents clients in district and federal circuit courts and before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board and Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. [Click here](#) for more about Hoda's practice, including her representative experience.



Marc N. Henschke has extensive first-chair experience in jury trials and Markman claim construction hearings and has litigated patent-infringement cases relating to a wide variety of products and technologies. [Click here](#) for more about Marc's practice, including his representative experience.

Bousquet Holstein Attorneys: 2017 Super Lawyers

Bousquet Holstein PLLC is pleased to announce that eight of the firm's attorneys have been included in the 2017 issue of New York Super Lawyers – Upstate Edition. They include: David A. Holstein, Steven A. Paquette, Christine Woodcock Dettor, Thomas E. Taylor, and Aaron D. Frishman. In addition, Emilee Lawson Hatch, Cecelia R.S. Cannon, Natalie P. Hempson-Elliott, Joshua S. Werbeck, Anas Saleh, and Ryan S. Suser have been designated as Upstate New York Super Lawyers Rising Stars.



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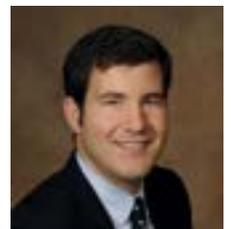
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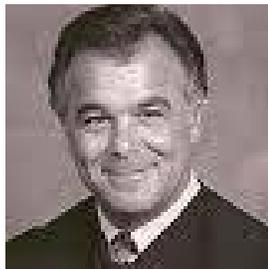
## Barclay Damon Expands Its Renewable Energy Team

Barclay Damon is expanding its renewable energy practice with the addition of four attorneys from the New England-based firm McCauley Lyman. The new lawyers—Don McCauley, Frank Lyman, Jill D. Winans, and Michael J. Blasik—will join Barclay Damon as of counsel, while remaining partners of their firm. This strategic alliance will provide additional bench strength to Barclay Damon’s already substantial renewable energy practice by adding four lawyers with 30 years of experience in the areas of solar and wind energy development.

Barclay Damon’s renewable energy practice, led by Richard R. Capozza and Brenda D. Colella, represents clients across the renewable energy sector, including in hydropower, wind, solar, and biomass. McCauley Lyman has national experience in renewable energy project development, siting, and finance, with an emphasis on solar energy projects. The strategic alliance of the firms will expand the scope of each firm in terms of energy expertise and geographic reach.

## Mr. John Brunetti Announces New Contact Info.

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## Colleen Gibbons Joins Bousquet Holstein PLLC



Bousquet Holstein PLLC is pleased to announce that Colleen M. Gibbons has joined the firm’s Trusts and Estates Practice Group. She participated in the Bousquet Holstein Law Student Associate Program in 2016.

Colleen is a 2017 cum laude alumna of the Syracuse University College of Law. Colleen is actively involved with the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County and is a member of the Onondaga County Bar Association’s Volunteer Advocate Lawyer for Animals program; she also is on the mentoring committee for the CNY Women’s Bar Association. Colleen recently joined the Syracuse University Law Alumni Association (SULAA) board.

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## FROM THE COURTS



Calendar the Court of Appeals Welcome Reception slated for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at the Woodcliff in Rochester.

Come say hello to the newest members of this venerable tribunal, Judge Rowan D. Wilson and Judge Paul Feinman.

*Stay tuned for more details!*

# FROM THE COURTS



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## NOTICE TO THE BAR

The Appellate Division, Fourth Department has scheduled the following terms of Court for 2018:

JANUARY TERM:	MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018 - FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018
FEBRUARY/MARCH TERM:	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018 - FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018
APRIL TERM:	TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018 - FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2018
MAY TERM:	MONDAY, MAY 14, 2018 - FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2018
*JUNE TERM:	MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018 - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2018
SEPTEMBER TERM:	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018
OCTOBER/NOVEMBER TERM:	MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018 - FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2018
DECEMBER TERM:	MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2018 - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2018

\* submitted cases only

# Record-Setting Justice Run/Walk Benefits Local Immigration Collaborative

By: Michele Maciejewski

This year's Justice Run/Walk 5K was just as warm as last year's, in terms of temperature and the sentiments of those who attended. Proceeds raised at the September 13<sup>th</sup> event benefit the Immigration Collaborative between Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County and Hiscock Legal Aid Society.

OnVLP Volunteer Engagement and Development Manager, Bethanie Hemingway, says out of the 5 previous Justice Run/Walk events, this year's event was the highest attended to date. More than 120 people pre-registered or signed up at the run/walk.



Ruth Bader Ginsberg made an appearance, or three, as many dressed in the popular Supreme Court Justice's garb for the all-new costume contest.



HLAS Executive Director Linda Gehron was among them. Gehron donned an RBG wig and robe while explaining her organization's vision to not rest until every person has equal access to justice.

Gehron sent a clear message on what the walk/run means to HLAS' clients.

"A threat to justice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere," Gehron said. "No one is going to be denied their fundamental rights on our watch."

Before the race set off, Herve Comeau, Immigration Staff Attorney at OnVLP, told a story about a Somali refugee who was able to get help from more than seven different volunteer private attorneys during a walk-in clinic at the Rescue Mission.

Comeau said this woman and more than 100 other people received similar help in 2017 alone, in partial thanks to the funds raised by the Justice Walk/Run and other efforts.

[Click here to watch speeches.](#)

OnVLP Executive Director Sally Curran noted the major support sponsors Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Wegmans provided for the event. Supporters got their fair share of pizza and apples and everyone who attended walked (or ran) home with a Justice Run/Walk water bottle sponsored by CNY Racing.



# OCBA CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

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## New York Civil Practice - 2017



**Hon. Deborah Karalunas**  
Presiding Justice of Supreme Court,  
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King, Syracuse University College of Law,  
Adjunct Professor of Law, NY Civil Practice

**3.0 MCLE (2.5 Professional Practice + 0.5 Ethics)**

**Thursday, October 19, 2017**  
CNY Philanthropy Center, 2nd Floor Ballroom  
431 East Fayette St., Syracuse, NY 13202

**12:30 pm** Registration & Refreshments  
**1-4 pm** Program

**Cost:**  
Members: **\$60**  
Paralegals: **\$30**  
Non-Members: **\$90**  
Agencies/Lifetime/Student: **FREE**



**New York Civil Practice - 2017 | Thursday, October 19, 2017 | RSVP no later than October 17, 2016**  
**Register at Onbar.org or by mail (checks payable to the Onondaga County Bar Association)**

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## Family Court Practice & Procedure 2017 Update

### Hon. Michael L. Hanuszcak

Onondaga County Family Court Judge-  
Acting Supreme Court Justice, 5th Judicial District

### Margaret A. Burt, Esq.

Law Offices of Margaret A. Burt

### David M. Primo, Esq.

Chief Clerk, Onondaga County Family Court

### Neil Gingold, Esq.

Onondaga County Department of Social Services -  
Child Support Legal Unit

**This program offers an overview of Family Court Practice with updates regarding specific topics including:**

- Custody and Child Protective Proceedings / Relative and Non-Parent Placement
- New Family Law statutes and decisions
- License suspensions & revocations, child support enforcement and paternity issues



**4.0 MCLE (2.0 Professional Practice + 2.0 Skills)**

Monday, October 23rd

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

***LUNCH INCLUDED!!***

8:30 am Doors Open, Registration, Continental Breakfast | 9 am - 1 pm Program

**Family Court Practice Update 2017 | Monday, Oct. 23, 2017 | RSVP no later than Oct. 19, 2016**

**Member \$80 | Non-Member \$120 | Paralegal \$40 | Lifetime/Agency/Student \$20**

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## Two Sessions: Understanding Business Valuations and Critical Financial Errors in Divorce

**Douglas A. Gorman, Esq.**  
Co-founder, Crisafulli Gorman, PC

**Rick A. Tidd, CPA/ABV/CGMA, CVA, CFF, CITP**  
Partner, Bowers & Company CPAs, PLLC

**David G. Herring, CPA/CGMA, CVA, CDFA, CFF**  
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Join the team from Bowers & Company CPAs for two informative seminars.

**Session One** considers the distinctions between various approaches to valuing businesses plus rules related to family tax planning.

**Session Two** takes a look at the financial aspects of property, tax issues, retirement plans & little known IRS rules in divorce cases.

**LUNCH INCLUDED!**

### 2.0 MCLE (Skills)

Tuesday, November 7, 2017  
CNY Philanthropy Center, 2nd Floor Ballroom 431 East Fayette St., Syracuse NY 13202

**11:15 a.m. to Noon** Registration and LUNCH  
**Noon – 2 p.m.** Program

This CLE is sponsored by:



Understanding Business Valuations & Critical Financial Errors in Divorce | Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2017 |  
Cost: Member \$40, Non-Member \$60, Per Session \$30, Paralegal \$20 | FREE to Lifetime/Agency/Student

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ROWAN WILSON**

&

**ASSOCIATE JUDGE  
PAUL FEINMAN**

on their appointment to the  
New York State Court of Appeals

**Wednesday, November 8, 2017  
5:30-7:30 p.m.**

The Woodcliff Hotel  
199 Woodcliff Drive, Fairport, NY 14450

\$30 per person  
Reception and hors d'oeuvres included, cash bar available

**Register at: [www.trialacademy.org](http://www.trialacademy.org)**

