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Letter from the PRESIDENT



I had the good fortune earlier this month to take part in volunteering at the Samaritan Center as part of Hancock Estabrook's Community Day. Our efforts that day were split between the Samaritan Center and Meals on Wheels. Not having previously volunteered at the Samaritan Center, I was not sure what to expect. Thankfully, I was assigned to the dishwashing and drying group, as this pretty much defines the level of my ability in a kitchen. Our contingent was greeted by a recently retired lawyer who regularly volunteers at the Center. He then guided the new recruits through the Center's well organized work stations.

I was fortunate primarily due to the personally rewarding experience and overall "feel good" engendered that afternoon. But I was also fortunate to meet "supervisor" Tom Blanchard. During lulls in the dishwashing action, we carried on a nice conversation over volunteer activities generally and volunteerism by lawyers in particular. He related to me his experience with other law firms sponsoring volunteer days at the Center, with time devoted by many local attorneys. Among these are the attorneys at Bond, Schoeneck & King, including his good friend OCBA Director John Callahan. This in turn prompted a further conversation with John over volunteerism at our 50-Year Luncheon, and the pretty well accepted fact that lawyers as a group have an exceptionally high level of community involvement. It would be difficult to find a local charitable organization that has not benefited from the time and talents of local attorneys.

All of this brings me to this month's plug on behalf of your Bar Association. Taking an afternoon out to volunteer at the Samaritan Center was made easy by the law firm organizing the event and made all the more enjoyable by sharing the time with colleagues. If you are looking for opportunities to volunteer in the community but don't have the same impetus to get started, there is a place for you on our Community Engagement Committee. This was established just a couple of years ago precisely for the purpose of supporting community service by our members. The Community Engagement Committee seeks to provide specific opportunities for our members to volunteer and get to better know the community in which we live and practice law. We would welcome your involvement. If you have even a passing interest in this, please contact Committee Chair Jim Williams or Executive Director Jeff Unaitis. Or, get in touch with Tom Blanchard at the Samaritan Center. Like most community service activities, I think you will find you get more out of it than you put in.

President, John T. McCann



John and Kim Mezzalingua stand with their children in the new Kathleen and Daniel '56C Mezzalingua Arts and Athletics Complex at Manlius Pebble Hill, a capital project supported through their fund.

My experience as a student, parent and board member at Manlius Pebble Hill School (MPH) has been life-changing. It ignited in me, and now my children, a life-long love of learning and a commitment to addressing problems creatively.

My wife Kim and I established a donor-advised fund at the Community Foundation to make our giving easy. MPH is a priority among the variety of education and humanitarian causes we support. We make donations to our fund when it makes good tax sense, and the Community Foundation staff ensures our money is stewarded well. When it's time to make grants out of our fund, the experience is hassle-free.

The Community Foundation also provides us with the tools to start conversations with our children about giving and engage them in making grants from our funds. As they grow, this will empower them to experience the fulfillment of giving to others.

Giving Local: John & Kim Mezzalingua



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O'Shea Wins Award

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth." -Muhammad Ali

By: Carrie Chantler



Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County Pro Bono Coordinator Deborah O'Shea, will be recognized October 3rd by the New York State Bar Association for her work on behalf of Syracuse's neediest residents.

O'Shea will receive the Phil Dailey Award at the NYSBA Uniting for Justice 2018 Partnership Conference at the Albany Capital Center.

The award was created in 2016 in memory of Phil Dailey, a paralegal at Legal Assistance of Western New York. O'Shea is the second recipient of this award, which honors a non-attorney staff member of a civil legal services provider who is recognized for "creative, skilled, and zealous representation of low-income clients."

For the last 14 years, O'Shea has coordinated pro bono opportunities offered through the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County addressing the most pressing needs in the Syracuse community.

"This is an amazing affirmation by my peers of being so well thought of," O'Shea said.

"For almost two decades, Deb O'Shea has been the 'do everything' woman for the pro bono effort in Onondaga County," said retired Federal Magistrate Judge George Lowe. "But Deb doesn't just 'do everything' – it's how she does it. She knows on a personal level the administrators for the agencies with whom we deal, she knows on a personal basis the senior attorneys in the private firms who have to be cajoled to commit to our cause, she knows the quirks of the City Court Judges before whom we appear in landlord/tenant court, and, most importantly, she treats with respect and compassion the literally thousands of poor people whom we represent. She is a most deserving recipient of the Phil Dailey Award."

Among the several program O'Shea has developed at VLP, which include the Uncontested Divorce Program,

Talk-to-a-Lawyer Community Program, Estate Planning Clinic, a Veterans Clinic, the Not-for-Profit Incorporation Program and an annual Elder Law Fair (serving more than 400 seniors), she is most closely related to the Landlord/Tenant program covering the housing problems annually faced by more than 1,000 Syracusans.

Among her proudest achievements, she said, are the positive relationships she's had a hand in fostering among lawyers, courts, and community members. Outcomes forged by these partnerships, which keep residents in their homes, exemplify VLP's mission.

"The most important thing in the world of pro bono in the last 15 years have been the relationships made," she said. "These relationships are translating into profound impacts in the community and that's been the most rewarding to me."

Judge Centra Honored With Ruger Award

By: Carrie Chantler



Justice John V. Centra likes boxing.

In his chambers, above him as he works at his desk hangs Harry Benson's black and white photo of a young Cassius Clay, his elated face beaming as his sweaty mass lords over the four Moptops feigning defeat on a boxing ring mat.

Centra favors the mock fight between the pop icons for its quality as a generational litmus test. If you can recognize the young faces as Muhammad Ali and The Beatles then he has a bead on you.

The image also provides insight into Centra – that hard work, hustle, and a sense of humor make legends, be they heavyweight fighters, rock stars, or, like him, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Appellate Division, Fourth Department.

Justice Centra is this year honored with the William C. Ruger Centennial Award and is only the ninth jurist to receive the Onondaga County recognition since the award's founding in 1975.

Reserved for jurists who exhibit "singularly outstanding achievement in devotion to the principles of our system of justice," Centra was surprised to learn he'd been nominated by his peers for the distinction.

"I was shocked. I had no idea," he said.

A Syracuse native, Centra built his legal career

in his hometown following his undergraduate years at the State University of New York at Buffalo and law school at Ohio Northern University. Following admission to the Bar in 1984, he became an Onondaga County Assistant District Attorney.

During the next four years he spent long hours cutting his teeth on DWI, burglary and robbery cases, under the tutelage of attorneys more senior than he, such as John La Paro and John A. Cirando, yielding for him a strong legal foundation.

"It was the greatest experience I could ask for. It really was," he said. "It taught me how to be a lawyer."

As Centra honed his trial practice arguing cases in Syracuse City Court the eventuality of his becoming a judge fell into the murky realm of "some day."

"Leaving law school sitting on the bench was never in my wildest dreams," he said. "It is life's timing. The harder you work, the luckier you can get."

That's what precisely played out.

Within four years of his law school graduation and becoming a prosecutor, Centra began, in 1988, a 10-year career as Town Justice of the Town of DeWitt.

Coinciding with Centra's work as a Town Justice, beginning in 1989, he entered into private practice forming three law firms: Carni, Centra & Rose (1989-91); Primo, Primo & Centra (1992-97); and Primo, Primo, Centra & Kirwan, LLP (1998-99).

Magistrate judges, who are not always lawyers, carry out their responsibilities in the state's towns and villages, are "unsung heroes who do a great job."

"You'll find that they're from the people and they're from the community. They dispense justice and the system works, at least in my view," he said.

During this time, he and his wife Mindy also managed to raise four children and create a home in Fayetteville.

In May of 1999, then-Gov. George Pataki appointed Centra to serve on the New York State Supreme Court in Onondaga County. During his tenure he served as Deputy Administrative Judge for the Fifth Judicial District and as Chairman of the Onondaga County Jury Board. He also served as a Judicial Delegate to the Association of Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. In October 2006, he was designated to serve as an Additional Justice on the Appellate Division, Fourth Department. He was re-elected in 2013 to again serve in this capacity. He is a Past-President of the Onondaga County Magistrates Association.

Dedicated to his work, Centra spends approximately 50 overnights a year in Rochester, where the appellate court hears 200 cases every six weeks. The court holds eight two-week terms of oral argument, beginning in September and concluding at the end of June.

"The term of court is pretty rigorous. It's a commitment," he said. "It's not uncommon to come in on weekends, because I'm reading a lot."

During the four weeks the justice is not in session, he reads the cases he'll hear in the future – comprising thousands of sheets of paper that fill several office filing cabinets.

Half of the time he's on the bench, because of his location in the middle of his fellow justices, he runs oral argument for the cases being heard.

"I want to be on my game. I have to know the issues," he said.

According to his wife, he loves the commitment that keeps him up late and in the office on weekends.

"He does what he has to do to get the job done," she said. "But he doesn't talk about cases."

That doesn't mean they're inconsequential, to the contrary. His advice, counsel, and even sentences have had lasting effects on defendants.

"He's had people come up to him and thank him and tell him he's changed their life," she said, pride evident in her voice. "People have thanked him for how he's treated them, it really shows what a wonderful person he is."

She attributes her husband's work ethic to his childhood. The second of two children of Dino and Rita Centra, he and his older brother Dino Jr., worked for their dad, founder of Westcott Florists.

"His family is wonderful," said Mindy.

As teenagers, the brothers did all the "bull work" on weekends, holidays, and summer vacations – the heavy lifting, driving, and storing – long after and before their dad's store opened for a day of business.

Raised close to his extended family, Centra was surrounded by grandparents, cousins, dear neighbors, and school friends.

"I'm the first lawyer in the family," he said. "Without their support it wouldn't have happened. They were behind me all the way."

And despite being an active high-schooler at both Christian Brothers Academy and later at Jamesville-DeWitt High School running track and playing football, home was priority.

"We were always together for dinner," said his brother.

Centra's caring nature comes from what he grew up knowing, his wife said, "that you always watch out for each other. He always looked out for others because that was the way he was brought up."

His concern for the wellbeing of his legal community extends to his advocacy for the health of lawyers. As the Justice Presiding on one of two appellate court disciplinary panels, Centra has seen and heard too many attorneys defend their actions in investigations or cases brought against them for questionable conduct.

"My exposure to it was an eye opener," he said. "I don't know if we do enough for our own."

Roughly four years ago, Centra met with the OCBA Board of Directors and its philanthropic arm, the Onondaga County Bar Foundation, to discuss ways in which these lawyers could seek legal assistance.

The Legal Help for Lawyers panel was born soon thereafter. The bar association maintains a list of attorneys willing to assist other lawyers facing disciplinary action and who may not be able to afford to retain counsel.

"With the assistance of an ethics CLE sponsored by the Appellate Division about two years ago, the OCBA was able to recruit a number of those in attendance to join the panel," said Anthony J. Gigliotti, Esq., Principal Counsel of the Fifth Department Grievance Committee. "Without Justice Centra's advocacy such a panel would most likely not exist."

Perhaps his passion to help others is a result of having been coached himself.

Centra's list of mentors is long. From his early days in the D.A.'s office he warmly remembers John A. Cirando's exacting work ethic, his close friendship with the late Anthony J. Langan, Esq. whose attention in him as a child first sparked his interest in law school, and fellow Appellate Judge Samuel L. Green, the Fourth Department's

first African-American justice, now retired.

"He took me under his wing," Centra said. "I've been very fortunate, in every facet of my career having someone mentor me and give me sound advice."

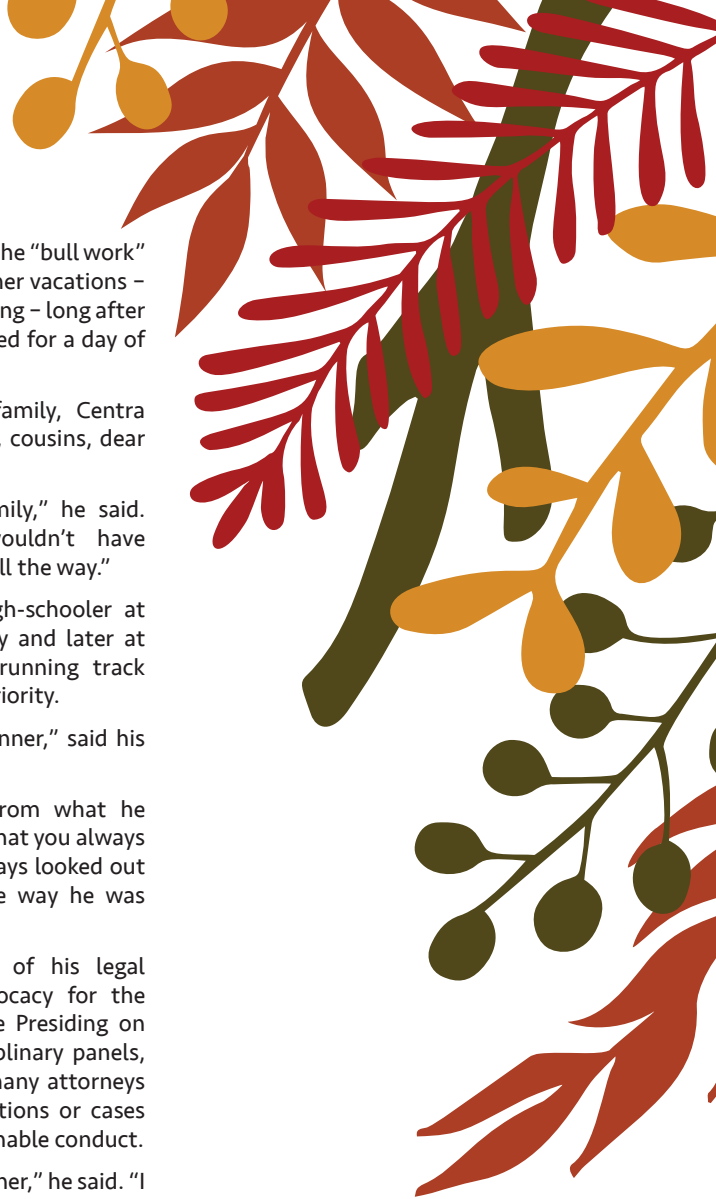
To attorneys new to the practice of law, Centra's advice is "work hard and have respect – not only to the court and to other attorneys, but to the clients you represent."

From Centra's perspective, the current system of justice is a living, breathing entity because "in the broad spectrum, the good news is laws are changing."

"Lawyers are really the watchdog of everything," said Centra. "If it weren't for lawyers taking cases and suing companies, for example, there'd be no reason to change their conduct."

Having come up through the court system, and having practiced on both sides of the bench, Centra has seen the best and the worst people can offer the world.

And he remains inspired by the deep well of human compassion he continues to see unfold before him, "that people care about other people."



Meet Your 2018 Distinguished Lawyer: Thomas E. Myers

By: Carrie Chantler

Thomas E. Myers, Esq. has given his entire legal career to the law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King, from 1976 to 2014, but it's the whole Syracuse legal community that has benefited from such a tenure.

In reality, it's the hundreds and hundreds of clients – both corporate and private citizens – he's assisted in that time who have been truly blessed with Myers' good and kind counsel.

Myers' illustrious standing amongst his peers is beyond reproach and is duly noted in the scores of letters nominating him for the honor of the 2018 Distinguished Lawyer Award bestowed by the Onondaga County Bar Association.

Known for his many years of service to the local bar association and to the New York State Bar Association, Myers is considered by many to be a hero in the realm of pro bono representation.

The time and attention he gives to this endeavor has been recognized in recent years with the following commendations:

- NYSBA 2015 5th Judicial District Pro Bono Service Award
- NYSBA 2014 President's Pro Bono Service Award
- OCBA 2013 Law Day Pro Bono Service Award
- OCBA 2011 Distinguished Pro Bono Service Award
- NYSBA Annual Empire State Counsel Awards for pro bono service, many consecutive years – for having provided 50 hours in one year.

His pro bono service extends far beyond these awards. Underpinning these are the hours upon hours he's worked for the last several years as pro bono coordinator for his firm, assuring those in need have strong representation by prepared attorneys ready to give their best.

Deborah O'Shea oversees the pro bono coordination efforts of the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County and was among those to nominate Myers.

When the Say Yes to Education Foundation sought support in Syracuse for implementing ways to counter poor graduation rates in the Syracuse City School District, Myers joined the initiative. As a volunteer, since 2004, with the Westcott Community Center's weekly Talk-To-A-Lawyer Project, Myers had a lightbulb moment.

"Based on the fact legal challenges are a barrier to a child's success Tom implemented a Talk-To-A-Lawyer Program at McKinley Brighton Elementary School scheduling his Bond Schoeneck & King attorneys into weekly slots," O'Shea wrote.

"Tom then expanded his pro bono efforts volunteering in Syracuse City Court eviction project. When VLP set forth to expand our eviction defense into the Justice Court of East Syracuse Tom offered his law firm as the key volunteers to make such a unique project happen. VLP now represents all tenants in East Syracuse who face eviction. Tom is one of the attorneys working in this court. He has successfully taken three cases to trial with one case accruing over 10 hours of time, including four hours on Memorial Day to prepare the client for her appearance."

So, he's all over the map representing all variety of clients; defending indigent tenants in Landlord/Tenant Court, as a volunteer arbitrator for small claims in Syracuse City Court (since the late 1970s) and also for the Fifth Judicial District Attorney/Client Fee Dispute Program, for which he's also served as a committee chair.

Twice a month in his court, on Tuesdays, East Syracuse Village Justice Joseph Zavaglia hears eviction actions and notes Myers' adeptness at handling not only his clients, but opposing counsel.

"He's very kind," Zavaglia said. "Oftentimes lawyers get kind of aggressive, but Tom is very professional about getting his point across."

Former Justice for the Town of DeWitt and Village of East Syracuse Robert L. Jokl commented Myers' work in his court has effected positive change.



"As a result of his efforts on behalf of tenants, landlords became more accountable in their pleadings, as I would regularly grant Tom's motion to dismiss a petition based on non-compliance with the RPAPL. The long term effect of this was that landlords became more willing to work with tenants that were behind on rent in an effort to avoid bringing eviction proceedings against them."

And then there is his valued litigation skill representing plaintiffs and defendants on behalf of his law firm in state and federal court involving commercial and contract disputes, business dissolutions, healthcare, higher education, insurance, medical malpractice, municipal liability, personal injury, wrongful death, professional discipline and mental health.

As one of only two female attorneys in Bond's litigation department in 1983, the Hon. Deborah H. Karalunas had the good fortune to have her office situated next to Myers'.

He was a mentor, she wrote in her nominating letter, who regularly took time to discuss legal assignments and provide welcome advice on writing and work prioritization. He modeled for her what service to both local and state bar associations looked like.

"By example, Tom also was instrumental in helping me see the incredible personal and community value of bar association involvement and work. Tom did much more than participate in bar association activities, he was a leader, innovator and reviver," she wrote.

Myers devotion to his legal community, apart from his passion for pro bono service, is evident in his lengthy bar service:

Onondaga County Bar Association

- President (2005)
- Member of Board of Directors (2000-2006 and 2010-2014)
- Chair of Executive, Finance, Governance, Judiciary, Nominating, and Attorney-Client Fee Dispute Committee
- Served on Awards, By-laws, CLE, Grievance, and Young Lawyers Committees
- Chair of Judiciary Committee from approx. 1996-2003. During this time, Myers work included: A rewriting of OCBA rules and procedures for review of candidates for judicial office; and implementation of OCBA's confidential "Informational Surveys for Sitting Judges."
- Resurrected the Bar Reporter Editorial Board from 1998-2015 - essentially saving the Bar Reporter
- CLE lecturer for annual CPLR Updates

Onondaga County Bar Foundation

- Served as a Trustee of the OCBF Board of Directors (2006-2011)
- New York State Bar Association
- Vice President for the Fifth Judicial District (2010-2014)
- Member of House of Delegates (2002-2006 and 2010-2014)
- Served on Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Ad Hoc Committee on Mandatory Pro Bono Reporting, Committee on CPLR, Committee to Review Judicial Nominations, Special Committee on CLE, Special Committee on Court Structure and Operations, and Task Force on E-Filing
- Served on NYSBA Bar Journal Editorial Board (2006-2012)

- Principal author of the Fifth District report on the impacts of the state budget crisis in 2011
- New York Conference of Bar leaders, member of Executive Council (2002-2006)

New York State Bar Foundation

- Lifetime Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation

New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers

- Charter Member
- CLE lecturer for annual CPLR Updates

"Tom's contributions to our Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association have brought him the full respect of each's respective boards, administrators, and members," wrote Ellen Weinstein, Esq., Chief Clerk of Onondaga County Surrogate's Court.

"As the immediate predecessor to my tenure as OCBA Board President, he was my mentor and friend, imparting valuable knowledge and wisdom which have served me well over the years. I can honestly say that I am a better person as a result of knowing and working with him."

And somewhere amidst his dedication to pro bono service and to the professional organizations lucky to have his attention, Myers instructed generations of young attorneys Civil Practice Law Rules. For 25 years (and counting!), Myers has been an adjunct professor at the Syracuse University College of Law.

SUCOL colleague, Prof. Christian C. Day speaks to Myers' exceptional service to the law profession and to law students, in particular.

"His knowledge of this complex material is extraordinary. His syllabus is a virtual treatise on New York civil practice law," Day wrote. "Tom epitomizes what we aspire to as lawyer. Tom is a superb trial lawyer who has given back to the profession in his many years of service in the community and in the dedication to training lawyers at the College of Law."



The 143rd Annual Dinner

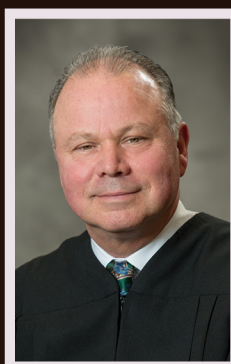
Thursday, October 25th, 2018

The Oncenter

Reception: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Honoring:



Honorable John V. Centra
2018 Ruger Award Recipient

&

Thomas E. Myers, Esq.
2018 Distinguished Lawyer

Please RSVP by October 12th

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The Associate attorney will also advise clients on general corporate and business law issues and compliance matters and be involved in the development and maintenance of client relationships.

Strong communication and negotiation skills are required. The ideal candidate will have a minimum five years of relevant experience in general business, merger & acquisition transactional work.

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Seeking an IP Litigation partner for its New York office, or Upstate New York offices, with seven or more years in trademark, copyright and unfair competition litigation experience. Prior experience must include some or all of the following: drafting preliminary injunction or summary judgment briefs, taking and defending expert depositions, and appearances in Court to argue substantive motions.

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The ideal candidate will have a minimum of eight years of relevant experience in general business and transactional work. The attorney will be involved in the development and maintenance of client relationships. A portable and growing book of business, although not a requirement, is highly desired.

Corporate Attorney (Buffalo)

Seeking an Associate for its Buffalo office in the Business Services Practice Group. The Associate attorney will advise clients on corporate and business law issues and compliance matters, perform transactional work, including preparation and negotiation of agreements, opinion letters and other documents, perform related research and due diligence, and also develop and maintain client relationships.

Strong communication and negotiation skills are required. The ideal candidate will have a minimum three years of progressively responsible experience in business and transactional services.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND, 2019

Pompey Golf and Country Club







Bar Foundation Celebrates 12 Attorneys Reaching 50-Year Milestone

A crowd of more than 175 gathered at Drumlins on September 13th for the Onondaga County Bar Foundation's Annual "50-Year Luncheon," honoring those in our profession who have reached that significant milestone in the practice of law.

The honorees were introduced by OCBF President Stuart LaRose and Bar Association President John McCann. After a brief bio, each honoree shared their thoughts and thanked their families, their colleagues and their mentors in the legal community. David Hayes delivered the response from the Class of '68.

We were pleased to honor: Howard F.G. Clark, Jr.; Raymond R. D'Agostino; Jonathan E. Fox; Clayton H. Hale, Jr.; Michael W. Harris; David M. Hayes; Stephen S. Karp; Donald J. Martin; James P. McGinty; Edward J. Moses; David C. Rizzo; and George R. Wolff.





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Hancock Estabrook is pleased to announce that the law firm of Miller King LLC, located in Tully, New York, is combining with Hancock Estabrook effective September 24, 2018. Attorney Susan L. King joins the firm as a Partner, bringing with her 26 years of legal experience advising individuals, families and businesses on the most current tax, estate and corporate planning techniques. With the addition of the Miller King team, Hancock Estabrook will increase the breadth and scope of the Firm's Corporate, Tax and Trusts & Estates practices, and current Hancock Estabrook clients will benefit from Miller King's extensive experience

and in-depth knowledge of taxation regulations and probate laws.

The Firm also welcomes Estate Planning, Corporate and Real Estate Paralegal Alexandra Kowalczyk and legal assistant Penny Merriam as part of the combination.

"We are excited to welcome the Miller King team to the Hancock Estabrook family," said Managing Partner, Timothy P. Murphy. "The addition of the Miller King team reinforces the prominence of our Firm as a leader in the areas of Trusts & Estates, Tax and Corporate Law, and enhances our ability to provide our clients the very best in legal

services and solutions. It also highlights our Firm's success as we continue our planned growth in several key practices, including Corporate, Healthcare, Real Estate and Nonprofit Governance & Tax-Exempt Organizations. The Miller King team has a diverse background in all of these areas that will enable us to provide an expanded portfolio of services to our clients and theirs."

Susan L. King, Esq. is admitted to practice in New York, Pennsylvania, Florida, New Jersey and Georgia as well as the United States Tax Court. She serves on the Advisory Council for the Central New York Community Foundation, The Upstate Foundation Professional Advisory Council and the Executive Committee of the New York State Bar Association, is Vice-Chair of its Charitable Planning Committee and serves on the Aid in Dying Committee for the Trusts & Estates Section of the New York State Bar Association.

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STACK JOINS HANCOCK ESTABROOK, LLP



Hancock Estabrook, LLP is pleased to announce that Emer M. Stack has joined the Firm as an associate.

Ms. Stack will join the Firm's Litigation and Appellate

Practice Groups. She represents diverse clients in both state and federal courts throughout New York State.

Prior to joining the Firm, Ms. Stack

served as law clerk to Hon. Elizabeth A. Wolford, U.S. District Judge for the Western District of New York, and was a law clerk in the Staff Attorney's Office for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. She is a graduate of Cornell University and received her J.D. degree cum laude from Fordham University School of Law, where she was a Ruth Whitehead Whaley Scholar, served as Article and Notes Editor for the Fordham Law Review and was a recipient of the Archibald R. Murray Public Service Award.

Former Labor and Employment Law Chair Brian Culnan Joins Barclay Damon



Barclay Damon announces the arrival of **Brian Culnan**, partner, to the firm's Albany office. He joins Barclay Damon as a member of the Health Care Controversies, Labor &

Employment, and Commercial Litigation Practice Areas. Culnan was the long-time chair of the Labor and Employment Practice Group at Iseman Cunningham Riester & Hyde, LLP.

With over 25 years of state and federal litigation experience, Culnan concentrates on litigation involving hospital credentialing and discipline decisions; managed care liability; health insurers' contractual rights of recovery; Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement; and Article 78 proceedings. He also helps clients navigate professional misconduct investigations and

governmental investigations for federal Stark, HIPAA, EMTALA, and ADA statutes violations.

Culnan additionally handles employment matters involving employment discrimination, discharge and termination, enforcement of restrictive covenants, protection of trade secrets and other proprietary business information, whistleblower and retaliation claims, wage-and-hour claims, and ERISA.

"We are delighted to have Brian join the ranks of the accomplished litigators in our Health Care Controversies, Labor & Employment, and Commercial Litigation Practice Areas," John Langan, the firm's managing partner, said. "With decades of legal experience and a deep understanding of the inner workings of multiple business sectors, Brian will be instrumental in continuing to expand our cross-industry service offerings in the Capital District and beyond."

BARTH AND DEFAZIO JOIN BARCLAY DAMON



Barclay Damon announces former summer associates **Charlie Barth** and **Dena DeFazio** have joined the firm as law clerks. Barth and DeFazio will work out of the Buffalo and Albany offices.

Barth is a member of the Corporate Practice Area. He graduated magna cum laude from the University at Buffalo School of Law, where he worked as a publications editor for Buffalo Law Review. Barth also served as a judicial extern to US District Court Judge William Skretny and as a law clerk at the US Securities and Exchange Commission NY Regional Office.



DeFazio is a member of the Health Care & Human Services and Health Care Controversies Practice Areas. She graduated summa cum laude from Albany Law School, where she

interned in the Government Law Center and the Clinic & Justice Center Health Law Clinic. DeFazio also served as an Albany County Family Court law clerk to Judge Susan Kushner.

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Barclay Damon LLP, a 275-attorney law firm, with 33 practice offerings and eleven offices throughout New York State and the Northeast, is seeking a full-time Associate for its Albany office to join its Torts & Products Liability Defense Practice Area. The Associate should have 1-3 years of torts defense experience.

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Tim Green Releases 38th Book, *The Big Game*, Available Now

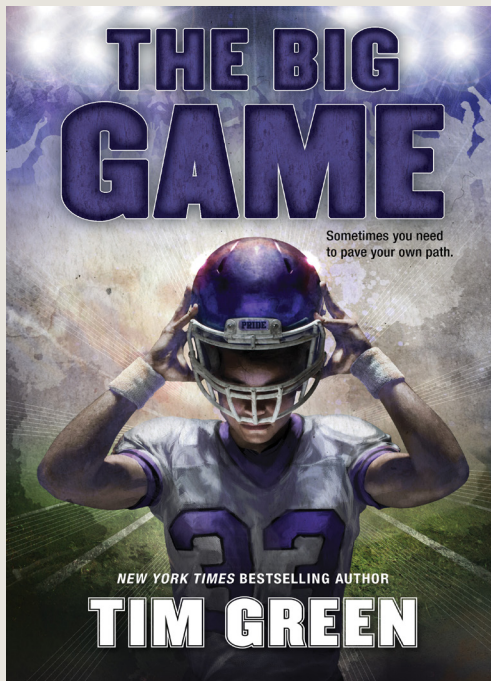


Tim Green, a New York Times bestselling author, former NFL defensive end, former Fox Sports broadcaster, and attorney with Barclay Damon LLP, has published his 38th book, *The Big Game*, available in

stores and online now.

The book follows seventh-grade football star Danny Owens, the son of a deceased Super Bowl champion, as he tries to live up to his father's legacy and earn a spot on the high school varsity team. Danny's plans go awry, however, when his English teacher catches him cheating on a test, forcing him to reveal that he can't read. With his participation in the upcoming championship game contingent on passing his English class, Danny must deal with mounting pressure and decide on the best path for his future.

In addition to being a bestselling author and retired defensive end with the Atlanta



Falcons, Green is an attorney with Barclay Damon, where he has been integrally involved for the past 20 years in the development and growth of the firm's client base, particularly in energy, intellectual property, and national insurance coverage

litigation. Green is recognized as a lead point of contact for the firm's largest energy and utility clients, including numerous Fortune 500 companies.

"It is great to see Tim bring the same kind of dedication and passion he shows in serving our legal clients to his work as an author and advocate for adolescent literacy," John Langan, the firm's managing partner, said. "We are proud of his community leadership and excited to see him succeed in his continuing literary endeavors."

Green believes reading should be fun for kids. He emphasizes the importance of education, reading books, and good character, telling students that reading is "weightlifting for your brain." Since he began his career writing for children in 2007, Green's young-reader series has sold over 1 million copies. All of Green's speaking fees are used to buy books for underprivileged children, libraries, and schools.

Green's 39th book, *Baseball Genius: Grand Slam*, will be released in spring 2020. It will be the third book in the trilogy Green is co-authoring with baseball legend Derek Jeter.

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Trust & Estates Attorney (Buffalo)

Barclay Damon LLP, a 275-attorney law firm, with 33 practice offerings and eleven offices throughout New York State and the Northeast, is seeking a full-time Associate for its Buffalo office to join the Trust and Estates Practice Area.

The Associate attorney will support a robust trust and estate practice and advise clients on trust and estate issues, perform transactional work, including preparation and drafting of wills, trusts, powers of attorney, and other documents, administer trust and estates, including assistance with accountings and tax returns as well as perform related research and due diligence. The Associate Attorney will also be responsible to maintain client relationships and work with various partners across the firm platform.

Strong communication, writing skills and work ethic are required. The ideal candidate will have a minimum two years of progressively responsible experience in trust and estates practice and be able to demonstrate development of knowledge and experience in this practice area.

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Syracuse based law firm Cohen Compagni Beckman Appler & Knoll, PLLC ("CCBLaw") is pleased to announce that its attorneys have been recognized in the 2019 U.S. News & World Report – Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms" edition and the 2018 Super Lawyers rating service. Best Lawyers has recognized CCBLaw attorneys **Stephen H. Cohen**,

Michael J. Compagni, and **Marc S. Beckman** for Health Care Law; **Laura L. Spring** for Litigation – Labor and Employment; **Andrew Knoll** for Litigation – Health Care; and Cohen for Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law. Best Lawyers also designated CCBLaw as the Top Listed in Syracuse in Health Care Law.

Super Lawyers recognized Cohen, Compagni, Beckman, and Spring, as well as **Bruce A. Smith** and **Bruce E. Wood**. Smith and Wood primarily practice in the areas of health care, business, and real estate law.

Pictured left to right; First Row: Stephen H. Cohen, Michael J. Compagni, Marc S. Beckman and Laura L. Spring. Second Row: Andrew Knoll, Bruce A. Smith and Bruce E. Wood.

ZHANG JOINS BOUSQUET HOLSTEIN PLLC



Bousquet Holstein PLLC is pleased to announce that **Jane Yue Zhang** has joined the firm as an Associate Attorney in the Real Estate, Business Transactions, and Immigration Practice Groups.

Prior to joining Bousquet Holstein, Jane practiced immigration law and served as in-house counsel of a commercial real estate development company in Syracuse. She is a proud graduate of

Syracuse University College of Law, and Barnard College, Columbia University, where she was a political science major. While in law school, she was Lead Articles Editor of Syracuse Law Review and served as an intern for the Honorable Anthony J. Paris at the Onondaga County Supreme Court. Jane speaks fluent Mandarin Chinese and is admitted to practice law in New York and New Jersey.

Raised in New York City and New Jersey, Jane has put down roots in Central New York, where she has lived for almost ten years. She is passionate about children's and immigrants' rights and enjoys being

able to give back to the community where she lives and works.

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Barclay Damon LLP, a nearly 300-attorney law firm, with 33 practice offerings and eleven offices throughout New York State and the Northeast, is seeking Attorneys of the following positions:

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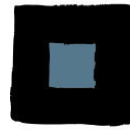
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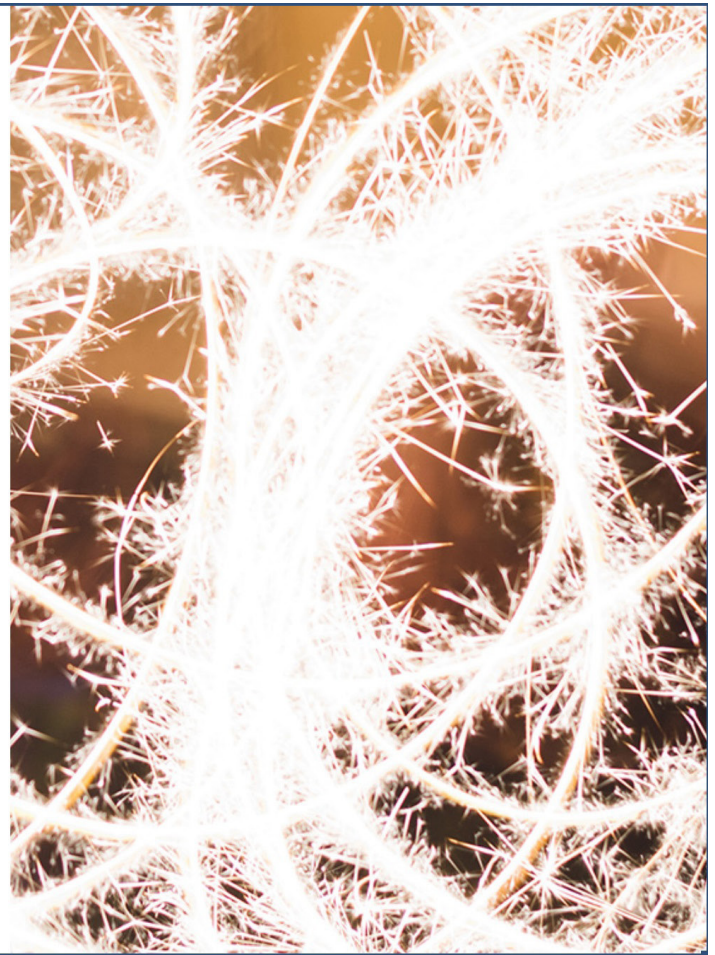
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DID YOU DRAFT A WILL FOR ROBERT ZIRBEL?

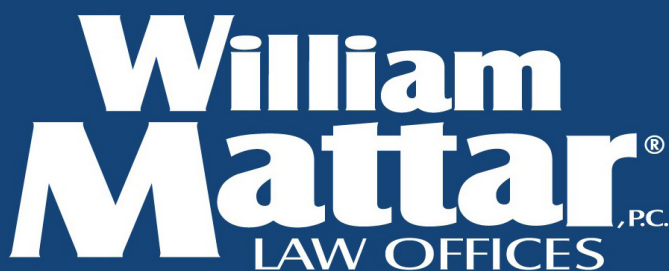
The Cortland County Surrogate's Court seeks to know if an Onondaga County lawyer may have drawn up a last will and testament for Robert Zirbel. Mr. Zirbel passed away in early September in his home in Scott, NY. If you have any information concerning this matter please contact Lynne M. Day, Chief Clerk Cortland County Surrogate's Court, at (607) 218-3335.

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CLIENT SEEKING LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

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Feb/March	Monday, February 19, 2019 – Friday, March 1, 2019
April	Monday, April 1, 2019 – Thursday, April 11, 2019
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June	Monday, June 17, 2019 – Wednesday, June 19, 2019
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- Compare and contrast mediation v. collaboration v. litigation.
- Gain insight into the basics and complexities of each and their respective ethical issues.

4.0 MCLE (1.0 Ethics, 3.0 Skills)

Friday, October 12th 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CNY Philanthropy Center, 2nd Floor Ballroom

431 East Fayette St., Syracuse NY 13202

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8:30 a.m.

Registration, Continental Breakfast

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Program

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Family Law: Alternative Dispute Resolution | Friday, Oct. 12, 2018 | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Family Court Practice & Procedure 2018 Update

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This program will provide an overview of Family Court practice and provide updates regarding a variety of areas including:

Family Court procedural overview • Update on Family Law statutes & decisions • Practice tips and protocols • Preserving the record for appeal • Making substantive objections

2.0 MCLE (1.0 Professional Practice + 1.0 Skills)

Tuesday, October 30th 3 to 5 p.m.

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**REFRESHMENTS
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Family Court Practice Update 2018 | Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2018 | 3 to 5 p.m. | RSVP by Oct. 26, 2018

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