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## Nominating Committee to meet Aug. 19 to nominate president-elect, secretary

The Nominating Committee of the Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) will meet on Friday, Aug. 19, in New Orleans to nominate a president-elect for the 2017-18 term and a secretary for the 2017-19 term. The president-elect will automatically assume the presidency in 2018-19.

According to the president-elect rotation, the nominee must have his/her preferred mailing address in Nominating Committee District 1 (parishes of Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard and St. Tammany).

According to the secretary rotation, the nominee must have his/her preferred mailing address in Nominating Committee District 2 (parishes of Ascension, Assumption, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville,



Mark A. Cunningham, right, 2015-16 Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) president, passed the gavel to 2016-17 President Darrel J. Papillion during the Annual Meeting. For more on the Annual Meeting, read the August/September 2016 *Louisiana Bar Journal*. Photo by Matthew Hinton Photography.

Jefferson, Lafourche, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana).

Any member interested in seeking the po-

sition of president-elect or secretary should contact members of the Nominating Committee. See page 3 or go online to: [www.lsba.org/GoTo/NominatingCommittee](http://www.lsba.org/GoTo/NominatingCommittee).

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## Election Schedule

For the 2016-17 election cycle, balloting will be conducted electronically only, as has been in place since 2011. No paper ballots will be provided.

The Nominating Committee report will be submitted to the Board of Governors on Aug. 20.

On Monday, Sept. 19, notice of the action of the Nominating Committee and self-qualification forms for positions on the Board of Governors, LSBA House of Delegates, Nominating Committee, Young Lawyers Division and American Bar Association House of Delegates will be provided to the membership.

Deadline for return of nominations by petition and qualification forms is Monday, Oct. 17. First election ballots will be available to members on Monday, Nov. 14. Deadline for electronically casting votes is Monday, Dec. 12.

## Other Positions Open

Other positions to be filled in the 2016-17 elections are:

**Board of Governors** (three-year terms beginning at the adjournment of the 2017 LSBA Annual Meeting and ending at the adjournment of the 2020 LSBA Annual Meeting) — one member each from the First, Second, Third and Fifth districts.

**LSBA House of Delegates** (two-year terms beginning at the commencement of the 2017 LSBA Annual Meeting and ending at the commencement of the 2019 LSBA Annual Meeting) — one delegate from each

of the Twentieth through Forty-Second Judicial Districts, plus one additional delegate for every additional district judge in each district.

**Nominating Committee** (15 members, one-year terms beginning at the adjournment of the 2017 LSBA Annual Meeting and ending at the adjournment of the 2018 LSBA Annual Meeting) — District 1A, Orleans Parish, four members; District 1B, parishes of Plaquemines, St. Bernard and St. Tammany, one member; District 2A, East Baton Rouge Parish, two members; District 2B, Jefferson Parish, two members; District 2C, parishes of Ascension, Assumption, East Feliciana, Iberville, Lafourche, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana, one member; District 3A, Lafayette Parish, one member; District 3B, parishes of Acadia, Beaufort, Calcasieu, Cameron, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermilion, one member; District 3C, parishes of Allen, Avoyelles, Evangeline, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Sabine, St. Landry and Vernon, one member; District 3D, parishes of Bossier and Caddo, one member; and District 3E, parishes of Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, DeSoto, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Red River, Richland, Tensas, Union, Webster, West Carroll and Winn, one member.

**Young Lawyers Division.** Chair-elect (2017-18 term), nominee shall be a resident of or actively practicing law in the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard or Plaquemines, based on preferred mailing address. Secretary (2017-18 term), nominee

shall be a resident of or actively practicing law in any parish in Louisiana, based on preferred mailing address. Petitions for nomination must be signed by 15 members of the Young Lawyers Division. Also to be elected, one representative each from the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth districts (two-year terms).

**American Bar Association House of Delegates** (must be members of the American Bar Association) — one delegate from the membership at large. All LSBA members may vote for the candidate. The delegate will serve a two-year term, beginning with the adjournment of the 2017 ABA Annual Meeting and expiring at the adjournment of the 2019 ABA Annual Meeting, as provided in Paragraph 6.4(e) of the ABA Constitution.

For more information on the election procedures and the schedule, go to: [www.lsba.org/goto/elections](http://www.lsba.org/goto/elections). 📄

## 2016 Legislative Recap: Status of bills supported/ opposed by LSBA

**T**he 2016 Louisiana legislative session brought 1,148 House bills and 471 Senate bills. Through its Legislation Committee and its Board of Governors, the Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) supported 10 bills and opposed 29 bills.

Among the bills supported were SB 203 which provided for certain penalties regarding the unauthorized practice of law and SB 301 which creates the Juvenile Justice Accountability and Cost Effectiveness Act of 2016. Both bills passed.

Notable bills opposed by the LSBA included SB 374 which provides relative to the Louisiana Public Defender Fund and SB 418 which provides for payment of a fee for application as an indigent to the judicial district indigent defender fund. These bills failed.

A full report of each bill's history may be obtained online at the state's legislative website: [www.legis.la.gov/legis/home.aspx](http://www.legis.la.gov/legis/home.aspx).

The LSBA lobbyist's final report on bills which drew a position from the LSBA is posted on the LSBA's Legislative Advocacy webpage or accessible at: <http://files.lsba.org/documents/Legislation/2016regsession.pdf>.

Relevant dates for the 2017 state legislative session have been posted on the LSBA's Legislative Advocacy webpage at: [www.lsba.org/Legislation](http://www.lsba.org/Legislation). 📄

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The 2016-17 Louisiana State Bar Association membership dues, the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board assessment, the Attorney Registration Statement and the Louisiana Supreme Court Trust Account Disclosure and Overdraft Notification Authorization were all due on July 1.

Delinquency notices will be mailed the first week of August to members who have not complied. Attorneys who fail to timely pay their assessment and dues and file their registration statement and trust account disclosure will ultimately be subject to monetary penalties and certification of ineligibility to practice law, pursuant to the Association's By-Laws and the Supreme Court's Rule XIX.

For guidelines on the online payment/filing procedure, go to: [www.lsba.org/Members/MemberDuesInfo.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/Members/MemberDuesInfo.aspx)

## Legal Specialization Update: LASC court order and recertification applications

The Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization (LBLS) received notice that, on June 2, the Louisiana Supreme Court amended Rule 7.2(c)(5) of the Louisiana Rules of Professional Conduct.

The amended rule, in part, involves use of the terms "specialist," "specialty," "specializes in," "certified" and "board certified." Review the full court order at: [www.lsba.org/goto/Rule72c5](http://www.lsba.org/goto/Rule72c5).

For specialists whose certification expires at the end of this year, the LBLS recognizes that this new rule may impact decisions to

maintain specialization certification. All eligible specialists have been sent an Application for Recertification form for the period of Jan. 1, 2017, to Dec. 31, 2021. While the LBLS encourages specialists to continue the recertification process, the LBLS board has determined that a specialist who withdraws his/her recertification application prior to the end of the year will receive a full refund of the \$100 application fee.

For more information, email LBLS Executive Director Barbara Shafranski at [barbara.shafranski@lsba.org](mailto:barbara.shafranski@lsba.org).

## LASC's Court Orders: Rule 1.17 enacted; Rule 5.4(a)(4) and Rule 7.2(c)(5) amended

By order signed June 21, the Louisiana Supreme Court enacted Louisiana Rule of Professional Conduct 1.17, which handles "Sale of a Law Practice." The court order also amended Rule 5.4(a)(4), "Professional Independence of a Lawyer." Review the full court order at: [www.lsba.org/goto/RPC117](http://www.lsba.org/goto/RPC117).

By order signed June 2, the Louisiana Supreme Court amended Louisiana Rule of Professional Conduct 7.2(c)(5), in part, as it relates to the use of the terms "specialist," "specialty," "specializes in," "certified" and "board certified." Review the full court order at: [www.lsba.org/goto/Rule72c5](http://www.lsba.org/goto/Rule72c5).

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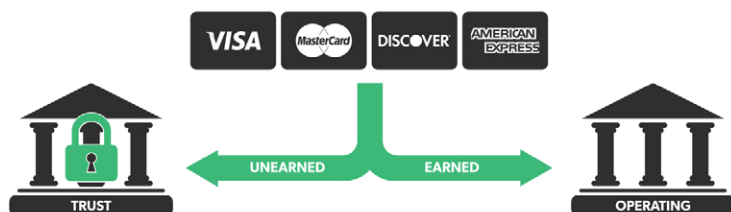
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# Lawyers eat crawfish for Kids' Chance fundraiser

The Baton Rouge Bar Association's (BRBA) Workers' Compensation Section hosted its sixth annual Kids' Chance fundraiser on May 13. "Geauxing Cajun" was the theme and included a crawfish boil with all the fixings, jambalaya, beverages, dessert, music and games. The BRBA Workers' Compensation Section raised more than \$7,600 for the Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) Kids' Chance Scholarship Program.

The LBF Kids' Chance Program provides scholarships to the children of Louisiana workers who have been killed or permanently and totally disabled in an accident compensable under a state or federal Workers' Compensation Act or law. The program is administered by the LBF and is governed by a committee representing a cross-section of the state's legal and workers' compensation communities.

To make a donation to the LBF Kids'



Among the attendees at the "Geauxing Cajun" fundraiser for the Louisiana Bar Foundation's (LBF) Kids' Chance Scholarship Program were, from left, SHERAL C. KELLAR, director of the Office of Workers' Compensation; and CHARLES R. (CHUCK) DAVOLI, co-founder of the LBF Kids' Chance Program.

Chance Scholarship Program, go to: <https://www.raisingthebar.org/Orders/Product-Stage.asp?ProductID=23>.

For more information on the program, contact Dennette Young at (504)561-1046, email [dennette@raisingthebar.org](mailto:dennette@raisingthebar.org).

## LBF announces 2016-17 chairs of committees, community partnership panels

Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) President E. Jane Sherman appointed the 2016-17 LBF Community Partnership Panel (CPP) and committee chairs.

CPP chairs include: Acadiana CPP, Shannon Seiler Darte; Bayou Region CPP, Eugene G. Gouaux, Jr.; Capital Area CPP, Linda Law Clark; Central CPP, Camille R. Jackson; Greater Orleans CPP, Paula A. Ates; Northeast CPP, John C. Roa; Northshore CPP, Tom D. Synder, Jr.; Northwest CPP, Jerry Edwards; and Southwest CPP, Theresa Ann Barnatt.

Committee chairs include: Annual Fellows Gala, Christopher K. Ralston and Harry J. (Skip) Philips, Jr.; Budget/Investment, W. Michael Street; Communications, Amanda Wood Barnett; Development, Amanda Wood Barnett; Education, Barry W. Ashe; Governance, H. Minor Pipes III; Grants, W. Michael Street; and Kids' Chance, Michelle M. Sorrells and Sherry A. Watters.

## SOLACE: Support of Lawyers/Legal Personnel — All Concern Encouraged

The Louisiana State Bar Association/Louisiana Bar Foundation's Community Action Committee supports the SOLACE program. Through the program, the state's legal community is able to reach out in small, but meaningful and compassionate ways to judges, lawyers, court personnel, paralegals, legal secretaries and their families who experience a death or catastrophic illness, sickness or injury, or other catastrophic event. For assistance, contact a coordinator.

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## Sherman to lead LBF's 2016-17 board

E. Jane Sherman of Baton Rouge was installed as the 2016-17 president of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. Other officers are Vice President Valerie Briggs Bargas, Baton Rouge; Treasurer W. Michael Street, Monroe; and Secretary Amanda W. Barnett, Alexandria.

New board members are Erin O'Brien Braud, New Orleans; H. Dunbar Healy, Covington; Dona Kay Renegar, Lafayette; Deidre Deculus Robert, Baton Rouge; Shayna L. Sonnier, Lake Charles; and Tina Crawford White, New Orleans.

Other members of the 2016-17 board of directors include Mathile W. Abramson, Gonzales; Hon. Marc T. Amy, Abbeville; David F. Bienvenu, New Orleans; Charles C. (Chuck) Bourque, Jr., Houma; Elwood F. Cahill, Jr., New Orleans; Mark A. Cunningham, New Orleans; Hon. John C. Da-

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## Updated Louisiana District Court Rules now online

Following a 30-day public comment period and Committee review of all comments received, the Louisiana Supreme Court approved the latest District Court Rules amendments on May 18 (effective date of these amendments was July 1, 2016). To review the latest version of the rules, go to: [www.lasc.org/rules/DistrictCourt.asp](http://www.lasc.org/rules/DistrictCourt.asp). ■

## 2016-18 Scholar in Residence announced

The Louisiana Bar Foundation's 2016-18 Scholars in Residence are Christopher K. Odinet from Southern University Law Center and Melissa T. Lonegrass from Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center. They will produce a comprehensive work on the public records doctrine in Louisiana. ■

## Volunteers sought for 2016 law school professionalism orientations

The Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) Committee on the Profession is seeking lawyers and judges to lead discussion groups in the next round of law school professionalism orientations in August. (See schedule at right.)

The orientations, conducted at each of the state's four law schools, are a permanent part of the orientation process for entering law students. The committee is asking lawyers and judges to return to their alma mater or to any of the schools to help give back part of what the profession has given them by dedicating a half-day of their time.

The purpose of the program is to introduce the concept of professionalism to first-year students. The committee will provide leaders with a list of hypothetical situations, including annotations and suggested questions. Pair up with a friend or classmate to co-lead a group of aspiring lawyers in a practical discussion of lawyer professionalism.

Respond by completing the accompanying form or calling Associate Executive Director Cheri Cotogno Grodsky at (800)421-5722, ext. 107, or (504)619-0107; fax (504)598-6753; or email [cgrodsky@lsba.org](mailto:cgrodsky@lsba.org). ■

## Deadline Aug. 3: Sponsors sought for 2016 law school professionalism orientations

Sponsors are being sought for the Louisiana State Bar Association Committee on the Profession's 16th annual professionalism orientations at the state's law schools. Sponsor response deadline is Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Sponsors are needed for the August orientations at Southern University Law Center (Aug. 11), Loyola University College of Law (Aug. 15) and Tulane Law

School (Aug. 16).

The orientations are designed to introduce the concept of professionalism to first-year law students.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities, contact LSBA Program Coordinator/Marketing and Sections Christine A. Richard at (504)619-0105, (800)421-5722, ext. 105, or email [crichard@lsba.org](mailto:crichard@lsba.org). ■

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# Lipsey receives 2016 LBF Boisfontaine Award

Christine Lipsey, a member in the Baton Rouge office of McGlinchey Stafford, P.L.L.C., received the 2016 Louisiana Bar Foundation's (LBF) Curtis R. Boisfontaine Trial Advocacy Award, presented at the Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) Annual Meeting in June in Destin, Fla.

Lipsey received a plaque and \$1,000 was donated in her name to the Innocence Project New Orleans.

The award was established through an endowment to the LBF in memory of Mr. Boisfontaine, who served as president of the LSBA and of the Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel. Donations from Sessions, Fishman, Nathan & Israel, L.L.P., the Boisfontaine family and friends established the fund. 📷



Baton Rouge attorney Christine Lipsey, left, received the 2016 Louisiana Bar Foundation's (LBF) Curtis R. Boisfontaine Trial Advocacy Award. Presenting the award was LBF President E. Jane Sherman.

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#### Annual/Sustaining Funding

<b>Building Capital Development</b>	<b>\$125,000</b>
Innocence Project New Orleans	\$25,000
Lafayette Parish Bar Foundation	\$25,000
Metropolitan Center for Women and Children	\$25,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$25,000
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$25,000

<b>Children's Legal Services</b>	<b>\$125,000</b>
Advocacy Center	\$20,000
First Grace Community Alliance	\$12,500
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$35,000
Louisiana Civil Justice Center	\$22,500
T.E.A.M.S.	\$35,000

<b>Law-Related Education</b>	<b>\$125,000</b>
Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$26,097
Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center	\$6,000
Court Watch NOLA	\$5,000
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$12,903
Louisiana Center for Law & Civic Education	\$48,000
LSBA - Diversity Committee	\$2,500
LSBA - Young Lawyers Division	\$5,500
Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany	\$19,000

<b>Domestic Violence Programs</b>	<b>\$458,246</b>
Beauregard Community Concerns, Inc.	\$36,367
Catholic Charities/Project S.A. V.E.	\$46,821
Chez Hope	\$39,876
D.A.R.T. of Lincoln	\$28,206
Faith House, Inc.	\$26,312
Jeff Davis Communities Against Domestic Abuse	\$20,000
Metropolitan Center for Women and Children	\$38,000
Oasis	\$22,200
Project Celebration	\$40,000
Safe Harbor, Inc.	\$16,000
Safety Net for Abused Persons	\$30,000
Southeast Spouse Abuse Program	\$15,000
St. Bernard Battered Women's Program	\$25,000
The Haven, Inc.	\$35,464
The Wellspring Alliance for Families, Inc.	\$24,000
United Way of Central Louisiana	\$15,000

<b>Legal Service Corporations</b>	<b>\$1,665,000</b>
Acadiana Legal Services Corporation	\$407,430
Legal Services of North Louisiana	\$428,570
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$829,000

<b>Other Legal Service Providers</b>	<b>\$341,754</b>
Advocacy Center	\$25,000
Arts Council of New Orleans	\$11,000
Catholic Charities of Baton Rouge	\$22,754

Catholic Charities of New Orleans	\$33,000
Catholic Charities of North Louisiana	\$20,000
Frontline Legal Services	\$40,000
Innocence Project New Orleans	\$110,000
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$5,000
Lower 9 <sup>th</sup> Ward Home Ownership Association	\$10,000
St. Frances Cabrini Immigration Law Center	\$50,000
The Southwest Louisiana Law Center	\$15,000

<b>Pro Bono Projects</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>
Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$60,000
Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project	\$11,500
Lafayette Parish Bar Foundation	\$70,500
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$35,000
Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$23,000
The Pro Bono Project	\$100,000

<b>Loan Repayment Assistance Program</b>	<b>\$49,812</b>
<i>Applicant identities are anonymous.</i>	

<b>Self-Represented Litigants Programs</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<i>New Funding Category to be awarded summer 2016.</i>	

#### Child in Need of Care

<b>Child in Need of Care</b>	<b>\$1,990,000</b>
Acadiana Legal Services	\$780,800
Legal Services of North Louisiana	\$574,200
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$635,000

#### Discretionary Funding

<b>Jock Scott Community Partnership Panel Grants</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>
<i>To be decided during the year.</i>	

#### Special Initiatives

<b>Special Initiatives</b>	<b>\$237,650</b>
ATJ Special Commission	\$50,000
LCJC	\$125,000
Louisiana Appleseed	\$125,000
ProBono/LawHelps Websites	\$12,650

#### Scholarships, Fellowships, and other projects

ATJ Fund Grant	\$50,000
Grantee Board Training	\$10,000
Kids' Chance Scholarships	\$54,500
Legal Education Projects	\$5,000
LBF Fellowships	\$90,000

#### Other Funding

<b>Pro Hac Vice</b>	<b>\$104,500</b>
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<b>Appellate Law</b> Aug. 26, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>Ethics &amp; Professionalism</b> Nov. 4, 2016 • Bossier City	<b>Medical Malpractice</b> April 7, 2017 • New Orleans
<b>Ethics &amp; Professionalism</b> Sept. 6, 2016 • Lafayette	<b>Workers' Comp CLE</b> Nov. 4, 2016 • Baton Rouge	<b>Immigration Law</b> April 21, 2017 • Shreveport
<b>In-house Counsel/Outside Practice</b> Sept. 9, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>15th Annual Class Action/ Complex Litigation Symposium</b> Nov. 11, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>57<sup>th</sup> Bi-Annual Bridging the Gap</b> April/May, 2017 • New Orleans
<b>Insurance Law</b> Sept. 12, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>New York, New York CLE</b> Nov. 19-21, 2016 • New York, NY	<b>Jazz Fest CLE</b> April 21, 2017 (Tentative Date) New Orleans
<b>Vegas Multi-Topic CLE</b> Sept. 12-14, 2016 Encore Resort • Las Vegas, NV	<b>Ethics &amp; Professionalism: Watch Your P's &amp; Q's</b> Dec. 2, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>Healthcare Law</b> April 28, 2017 • New Orleans
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Admiralty Symposium</b> Sept. 16, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>25th Summer School Revisited</b> Dec. 8 & 9, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>Consumer Law Protection &amp; Mortgage Lending</b> April 28, 2017 • New Orleans
<b>Ethics &amp; Professionalism</b> Sept. 23, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>Trial Practice CLE</b> Dec. 13, 2016 • New Orleans	
<b>Personal Injury</b> Sept. 30, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>Quality of Life CLE</b> Dec. 13, 2016 • New Orleans	
<b>Energy &amp; Environmental Law Summit</b> Oct. 6 & 7, 2016 • New Orleans	<b>CLE Wrap Up</b> Dec. 16, 2016 • New Orleans	
<b>10th Annual Dispute Resolution Seminar</b> Oct. 14, 2016 • Baton Rouge	<b>Dazzling Disney CLE</b> Feb. 27-March 1, 2017 Disney's Grand Floridian Orlando, FL	
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# House approves 8 resolutions and elects members to committee, board

The Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) House of Delegates approved eight resolutions and elected members to a committee and a board at its June 9 meeting in Destin, Fla.

Following discussion and votes, the House:

► Approved a resolution from the LSBA's Public Utility Section to amend its bylaws to increase the number of members elected to the section council from two to five.

► Approved a resolution from the LSBA's Rules of Professional Conduct Committee to recommend to the Louisiana Supreme Court the amendment of Rule 1.5(f)(2), which would include additional

requirements regarding flat-fee arrangements.

► Approved a resolution from the LSBA's Legislation Committee supporting legislation that would prohibit discrimination in pay based on race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or age.

► Approved a resolution from delegate Edward L. Tarpley, Jr. (9th Judicial District) urging the Louisiana Legislature to require unanimous criminal jury verdicts.

► Approved a resolution from delegate Don Paul Landry (29th Judicial District) 1) recognizing that LGBT people have a human right to be free from discrimination, threats, violence and denigration based on their LGBT status; 2) urging the repeal

of all constitutional amendments, laws, regulations and rules or practices that denigrate or discriminate against LGBT individuals; and 3) urging the adoption of laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing and accommodations of LGBT people.

► Approved a resolution from delegate Adrian F. LaPeyronnie III (24th Judicial District) requiring the LSBA to offer its members the opportunity to include in their online member profiles both their photographs and their legal office website addresses.


► Approved a resolution from delegate Joseph L. (Larry) Shea, Jr. (1st Judicial District) 1) opposing any legislation and government rules or regulations which would permit non-lawyers to engage in the practice of law; and 2) promoting and supporting legislation to provide remedies and access to a Louisiana forum for Louisiana consumers who are harmed by non-lawyers who sell, license or market legal services and products, including software, online solutions and legal forms.

► Approved a resolution from Class Action, Mass Tort and Complex Litigation Section Chair Val P. Exnicios to adopt a policy in favor of retaining LSBA representation on statewide boards, commissions and task forces.

In other business, five House members were reelected for three-year terms on the Legislation Committee: Charles C. Bourque, Jr., 32nd Judicial District; Val P. Exnicios, Class Action, Mass Tort and Complex Litigation Section; Keenan K. Kelly, 10th Judicial District; Michael W. McKay, 19th Judicial District; and Ann S. Siddall, 7th Judicial District.

Member Deidre Deculus Robert (18th Judicial District) was elected to serve a three-year term ex-officio on the Louisiana Bar Foundation's board of directors.

The House also voted to dissolve the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association and refer matters to the Public Information Committee.

To review all resolutions and meeting action, go to: [www.lsba.org/BarGovernance/HouseofDelegates.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/BarGovernance/HouseofDelegates.aspx). 

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# Focus on *Access to Justice*

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## What do pro bono volunteers and pajamas have in common?

The Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) new online pro bono program allows attorneys to provide pro bono services anytime and anywhere – even at home in their pajamas. Each day, thousands of individuals with legal problems might be assisted by a short answer from a knowledgeable attorney.

A new project from the American Bar Association (ABA) will connect individuals with attorneys. Through the website, [LA.FreeLegalAnswers.org](http://LA.FreeLegalAnswers.org), attorney volunteers will be able to log in whenever and wherever they like to anonymously respond to legal questions submitted by individuals who could not otherwise afford to consult an attorney. The volunteer's involvement is limited and the individual will receive sufficient help to know whether to proceed or whether it would be best to obtain the services of an attorney.


Louisiana will be one of the 38 states participating in this new project. The ABA will run the site, maintain the software and provide liability insurance. The LSBA, through its Access to Justice Department, will be responsible for recruiting volunteers to answer the online submissions and making the public aware of the services when the website launches in late August.

"LA.FreeLegalAnswers.org provides us with an opportunity to match the needs of an individual with an appropriate legal response on the continuum of services provided by Louisiana's justice community. I encourage you to volunteer," said LSBA President Darrel J. Papillion.

It's simple, and you can volunteer in your pajamas! To get involved, contact Rachael Mills, email [rachael.mills@lsba.org](mailto:rachael.mills@lsba.org) or call (504)619-0104. 

## Yes, it really is important to report your pro bono hours!

Pro bono and civil legal aid organizations do benefit from Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) members who report their pro bono service hours. It helps the organizations answer questions from funders, such as: "What are attorneys doing to help poor people?" Each year, thousands of volunteer hours of legal services to poor people go unreported by attorneys because attorneys think it doesn't matter or because they think it is self-aggrandizement to report. Support your local public interest organizations by reporting your hours and providing them with a response to that question.

Complete the online "Voluntary Pro Bono Reporting Form" at: [www.lsba.org/ATJ/ProBonoVoluntaryReporting.aspx](http://www.lsba.org/ATJ/ProBonoVoluntaryReporting.aspx). If you need assistance, contact Nicole Louque at (800)421-5722, ext. 106, or email [nicole.louque@lsba.org](mailto:nicole.louque@lsba.org). 



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Special thanks to all the participating attorneys helping to make this project a success.

# ATJ LIFT Collaborative Incubator Project at Family Justice Center welcomes second class

The Louisiana State Bar Association's Access to Justice Department is introducing the newest class of Legal Innovators for Tomorrow (LIFT) Fellows participating in the incubator project at the Family Justice Center (FJC). Through a collaborative project between the LIFT program, Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) and the New Orleans FJC, LIFT Fellows are working to help address the unmet civil legal needs of domestic violence survivors.

The LIFT Incubator Project at the FJC is for new or transitioning attorneys starting their own solo, small firm or non-profit practice. During the 18-month program, incubator attorneys receive subsidized office space, support and resources. The attorneys also receive training and mentorship as they work alongside experienced SLLS legal practitioners. In exchange for the training and incubation of their practice, the participating attorneys agree to provide pro bono representation to domestic violence victims.

Initially launched in January 2015, the project began as a pilot program and, due to the success of its first class, is now an official incubator program. The inaugural class — Erica L. Andrews, James A. Graham and Nicholas J. Hite — provided legal representation in more than 550 cases, approximately 100 of which were pro bono, all within the 18-month period. Additionally, 75-100 percent of the attor-



Attorneys in the second class of Legal Innovators for Tomorrow (LIFT) Fellows are, from right, Shawon J. Bernard and Coby A. Venable.

neys' paying clients fell into the modest means category, i.e., 200-400 percent of the federal poverty guidelines. The inaugural class will remain in a collaborative environment, moving to shared office space available in the building where the

FJC is located. Each attorney will "pay it forward" by mentoring the incoming class of attorneys.

This year, the program welcomes two new attorneys — Shawon J. Bernard, a recent graduate of Southern University Law Center with nearly two years of practice experience; and Coby A. Venable, a graduate of Emory University admitted to practice in Louisiana in October 2015.

"There is a great need for legal services for victims of domestic violence. The pro bono and low bono representation provided by the incubator attorneys have made great strides to increase access to legal representation," said Laura Tuggle, SLLS executive director.

"The incubator project provides a unique opportunity for new attorneys going solo soon or shortly after graduating law school to work in a collaborative environment with many agencies and organizations providing holistic services to FJC clients," said Mary Claire Landry, executive director of the New Orleans FJC.

The program still has space available for one additional attorney who is passionate about serving the unique legal needs of domestic violence survivors. Anyone interested in participating should email Amy Duncan at [amy.duncan@lsba.org](mailto:amy.duncan@lsba.org).

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The LSBA's Diversity Committee and the Committee for Legal Services for Persons with Disabilities hosted the third and final session titled “Introduction to Social Security Appeals” on May 6 at the Alexandria Golf and Country Club in Alexandria. Presenters were, from left, attorneys Matthew D. Lane, Jr., Julia L. Deal and Daniel W. Nodurft.



## LSBA Annual Meeting 2016 Joint CLE Sessions



The LSBA's Civil Law and Litigation Section presented “Client and Witness Candor in Trial Practice.” Presenters were attorneys Lynn Luker and William M. Ross.



The LSBA Diversity Committee's LGBT Subcommittee presented “The Impact of Obergefell v. Hodges: What Does the Future Hold?” Panelists were attorneys Scott J. Spivey, Nicholas J. Hite and Ryan P. Delaney.



The LSBA's Diversity Committee and the LSBA Civil Law and Litigation Section presented “Jury Selection Form and Substance: Is Post-Racial America Alive and Well in the Courtroom?” Panelists were attorney Sharonda R. Williams, trial consultant Betty L. Dunkum, attorney Tony Clayton and attorney Lynn Luker.



The LSBA's Young Lawyers Division presented “Use of Technology in Discovery and Trial: No Longer Optional.” Moderator was Lynn Luker. Panelists were, from left, Erin O. Braud, Lawrence J. Centola and Shayna Beevers Morvant.

# 2017 Expert Witness, Consultant and Legal Services Directory

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# LSBA's LAS VEGAS CLE

## A Multi-Topic CLE Seminar

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Sept. 12-14, 2016  
Encore at Wynn Las Vegas

### Viva Las Vegas!!

Join LSBA luminaries for a CLE extravaganza in the entertainment capital of the world! The LSBA's Las Vegas CLE will feature informative tracks with one day focused on Litigation, the next day spotlighting a Business/Transactional theme and the last day exploring Alternative Dispute Resolution topics. Earn up to 14 CLE hours while enjoying the amenities of the Encore at Wynn Las Vegas, the premier Las Vegas strip location. Spend your days discussing stimulating continuing legal education topics and take advantage of the grand pools, spa, and golf course located in the casino complex. Spend your evenings exploring the City's nightlife, world-class shopping, and live shows.

This program has been approved for a maximum of 14 hours of CLE credit, including 2 hours of ethics and 2 hours of professionalism.

### Registration Fees\*, Cancellations and Refunds

Advance Registration (until Friday, August 26) .....	\$670
After Friday August 26 & On-Site** .....	\$700

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Included in member registration: Seminar attendance, continental breakfast on mornings of meetings, coffee breaks and electronic seminar materials provided via link.

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The Encore at Wynn Las Vegas is a sprawling, five-star luxury resort located on the Las Vegas Strip. Guests also have their choice of the finest restaurants, bars, nightclubs and theaters, without even leaving the hotel! Enjoy all of these extraordinary amenities for only \$239/night (king suite)!

Early registration is encouraged as space is limited. Upon receipt of paid registration, we will forward a confirmation packet, including more detailed information on the hotel and area attractions.

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## Monday, Sept. 12 - 5 CLE HOURS

Moderator: Michael A. Patterson

- 7:30-8:00 a.m. **Registration**
- 8:00-9:00 a.m. (1 credit) **"Las Vegas from the Mob to Wall Street": A History of Gaming in Las Vegas**  
Robert J. "Bob" Miller • former Nevada governor; Robert J. Miller Consulting
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. (1 credit) **The (Not So Happy) Effect of Bankruptcy and Civil Trial Practice**  
Barry H. Grodsky • Taggart Morton
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15-11:15 p.m. (1 credit - Ethics) **Ethics and Litigation (Ethics)**  
Darrel J. Papillion • Walters, Papillion, Thomas, Cullens
- 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (1 credit) **Writs**  
Moderator: Hon. James E. Kuhn (Ret.)  
• Attorney at Law • Ponchatoula  
Speakers:  
Hon. Billy H. Ezell • 3rd Circuit Court of Appeal  
Hon. Phyllis M. Keaty • 3rd Circuit Court of Appeal  
Hon. D. Kent Savoie • 3rd Circuit Court of Appeal  
Kevin Feeney • American Air Liquide Holdings, Inc.  
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Darrel J. Papillion • Walters, Papillion, Thomas, Cullens  
Thomas J. Madigan • Sher Garner Cahill Richter Klein & Hilbert  
Fred Wolgel • Texas Brine Company
- 12:15-12:30 p.m. **Break**
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. (1 credit) **Writs (continued)**

## Tuesday, Sept. 13 - 4 CLE HOURS

Moderator: Michael W. McKay

- 7:30-8:30 a.m. (1 credit) **The Nuts and Bolts of Gaming Law**  
Christopher B. Hebert • LA Dept. of Justice-Gaming Division
- 8:30-9:30 a.m. (1 credit - Prof.) **"Never Enough: A Lawyer's Ethical Nightmare (Professionalism)"**  
Michael Burke • Michigan Association of Problem Gamblers
- 9:30-9:45 a.m. **Break**
- 9:45-10:45 a.m. (1 credit) **Place Your Bets: Gaming Topics**  
Timothy Donovan • Executive Vice President; Caesars Entertainment Corp.  
Jack Godfrey • former Executive Vice President; Pinnacle Entertainment Inc.  
Brian Larson • Executive Vice President; Boyd Gaming  
Frank A. Schreck • Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck  
Paul S. West • Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz
- 10:45-11:00 a.m. **Break**
- 11:00 a.m.-Noon (1 credit) **Recent Updates in Employment Law**  
Kim M. Boyle • Phelps Dunbar

## Wednesday, Sept. 14 - 5 CLE HOURS

Moderator: Michael W. McKay

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. (1 credit) **Venus and Mars: The Role of Gender in Negotiation**  
Marta Ann Schnabel • O'Bryon & Schnabel
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. (1 credit - Prof.) **Art of Negotiation**  
Michael W. McKay • Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15-11:15 a.m. (1 credit) **Arbitration: Why? Or Why Not?**  
Patrick S. Ottinger • Ottinger Hebert
- 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (1 credit - Prof.) **Professionalism in a Social World**  
Robert A. Kutcher • Wagar Richard Kutcher Tygier & Luminais
- 12:15-1:15 p.m. (1 credit - Ethics) **The Ethical Limits of Deception in Negotiation (Ethics)**  
Harold J. Adkins • Hammonds, Sills, Adkins & Guice



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