

Baton Rouge Bar Association E-Newsletter



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Save the Date: March Bar Luncheon – May 7 Location: Ruffino's Catering at De La Ronde Hall, 320 Third Street

Speaker: TBD

Deadline to register will be May 4;
registration forms available soon.



Member Spotlight Lucie R.

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LEARN MORE ABOUT LUCIE

Click the photo to view this month's member spotlight.

The April issue of *Around* the Bar is online!

Family Law Section Meeting and Recent Developments in Social Media (Ethics) CLE seminars offered this week

- Family Law: Cyberstalking and Cyberbullying Harassment in the Information Age | Thursday, April 16 | 12-1 p.m. | Sullivan's Steakhouse | <u>Printable registration form</u> & <u>online registration</u>.
- Recent Developments in Social Media and Professional Responsibility (Ethics) | Friday, April 17 | 7:45-9 a.m. | Middleton Bar Center | Printable registration form & online registration.
- Self Help Resource Center | Friday, April 24 | 12-1 p.m. | EBR
 Family Court | Printable registration form & online registration.
- Managing Client Expectations: Working with Clients to have a
 WOW Client Experience (Professionalism) | Wednesday, April
 29 | 4-5 p.m. | Fleming's; wine tasting to follow | Printable
 registration form & online registration.

For a full list of CLE seminars, please visit the CLE section of our website by clicking here. Please contact Katherine Fremin at 225-344-4803 should you have any questions regarding a CLE.

Louisiana Middle District Court named 8th most productive Federal Court in nation

According to a *Wall Street Journal* blog, our Louisiana Middle District Court is the 8th most productive Federal Court in the Nation. Congratulations to all of the federal judges in the Middle District. To read the entire *WSJ* blog, please follow the link here.

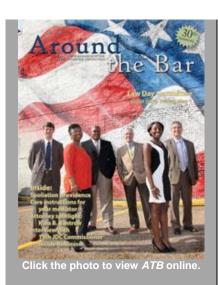
Bench Bar Conference early registration deadline Friday, April 17



Early registration for the annual Bench Bar Conference in Point Clear, Ala., is open until <u>THIS Friday</u>, April <u>17</u>. Register online by <u>clicking here</u>, or to download the printable registration form, <u>click here</u>.

If your law firm is interested in

sponsoring, please download our sponsorship form by clicking here or



LASC Interpreter Training

<u>Click here</u> for a link to the court interpreter training classes and testing in Lafayette April 16-18, 2015.

In addition, a current roster of registered court interpreters for Arabic, French, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Mandarin, Spanish, Vietnamese and American Sign Language may be found in the "Court Interpreter" section by clicking here.

Condolences

Please join us in offering our condolences to the following members and their families:

- Beau Olinde, whose father Joseph "JB" Olinde passed away recently
- The family of Charles Watts, a BRBA member who passed away recently

contact Ann Gregorie at ann@brba.org or 225-214-5563.

The BRBA room block for the 2015 Bench Bar Conference is still open at the Grand Hotel. If you are requesting a specific room online (i.e. bay view, spa etc.), it may be already booked and inform you there are no more rooms available. Please contact the Bar office should you experience trouble making reservations.

To make reservations at anytime, please call 800-544-9933 or use the group code **BTCBTCA** the Grand's website at www.marriottgrand.com.

Southern University Lab School Law Day Friday, April 17

The Southern University Laboratory School Law Day will be held Friday, April 17, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., at the Lab School. Volunteer attorneys and law students are needed to perform a mock trial for the younger students and to speak to the higher grades about the rights and responsibilities of adulthood. Topics may include: bullying, drinking and drug issues, sex crime issues (including issues related to teens and the sex offender registry) and social media issues. Interested? Contact Donna at 225-214-5556 or donna@brba.org

Teen Court volunteer training session Saturday, April 18

Teen Court of Greater Baton Rouge is a voluntary diversion program in which teens sentence their peers for first time misdemeanor offenses. Teen volunteers perform the roles of prosecuting and defense attorneys, bailiff and jurors.

The next training session for teen volunteers will be held Saturday, April 18, at Juvenile Court. Adult volunteers are needed to assist with the training session and to serve as judges on hearing nights. Interested? Contact Donna at 225-214-5556 or donna@brba.org.

YLS Sidebar Luncheon with La. Supreme Court Justice Jeff Hughes: Thursday, April 23

The Baton Rouge Young Lawyers Section is hosting a Sidebar Luncheon Thursday, April 23, 2015, at 12 p.m. with La. Supreme Court Justice Jeff Hughes. This is a great opportunity for young attorneys and law students to learn some tips about practicing law at the Supreme Court level. The luncheon will be held at the Baton Rouge Bar Association Office, 544 Main Street. The cost is \$15 per person, and seating is limited. Please call Susan Kelley at the Baton Rouge Bar Association at 225-214-5559 or email at susan@brba.org for reservations. To register online, please click here.

Free CLE on SSDI & SSI representation

Sponsored by Southeast Louisiana Legal Services, Baton Rouge Office Friday, April 24, 2015

Middleton Bar Center (544 Main Street) 1 p.m-4 p.m.

WHAT: The SLLS Baton Rouge office is planning to conduct a Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) CLE for Pro Bono attorneys. This training will provide any attorney interested in handling disability claims with an opportunity to obtain 3 CLE credits in one day. Those taking advantage of this seminar must agree to accept a SSI pro bono case from the Pro Bono Project by Oct. 31, 2015.

Finally, it is the policy of SLLS that if you register and do not attend without prior notice, you will be ineligible to attend its next free CLE.

To register, contact Robin Kay at 225-214-5561 or <u>robin@brba.org</u>, **Registration is due no later than April 14th.**

Law Day - May 1, 2015: Magna Carta: What's so Great about the Great Charter?

Approximately 800 middle and high school students from 18 schools are expected to participate in the BRBF Law Day event **Friday, May 1, 2015**.

Your help is needed for the BRBF's Law Day courtroom sessions 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Panel members will receive detailed instructions. We are using courtrooms at the 19th JDC, The Family Court and Baton Rouge City Court! Your participation will help students develop a deeper understanding of our legal system. To volunteer, please fill out the form by <u>clicking here</u>. For more information, please contact Donna Buuck at 225-214-5556 or <u>donna@brba.org</u>. Thank you for your help!

BRAWA annual Law Day lunch: May 8, 2015

The Baton Rouge Association of Women Attorneys annual Law Day lunch is Friday, May 8, at 11:45 a.m. at the Camelot Club. BRAWA will present Outstanding Law Enforcement Awards to:

- FBI Special Agent Taneka Harris, investigating human trafficking, child pornography and violent crimes in the Baton Rouge area;
- Detective Alaina Mancuso from the Baton Rouge Police Department, Narcotics Investigator;
- *Sgt. Patti Freeman,* Domestic Violence Coordinator of the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Department.

BRAWA is also deeply honored to present the Honorable Judge Shelly D. Dick with BRAWA's Tribute Award.

Lunch is \$30, and you may pay at the door of the Camelot Club, 451 Florida, 21st Floor. Please RSVP to Michelle at 767-1003 or email michelle.charlot@akerswisbar.com. Please contact BRAWA President Jan Reeves should you have any questions at jreeves2@travelers.com or (225) 235-6167.

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