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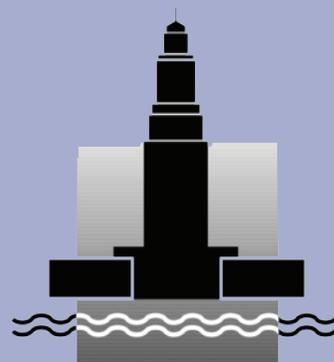
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# schedule at a glance

## thursday, july 23

**10:00 AM-6:00 PM:** Registration

**Noon-6:00 PM:** Exhibits

**2:00-3:00 PM:** The Law of Robots: New Rules for a New Era of Machines

**3:00-4:00 PM:** Privacy in the Workplace: How Reasonable are our Expectations of Privacy?

**4:00-4:15 PM:** Coffee Break

**4:15-5:15 PM:** Privacy and More...10 Things Every Lawyer Should Know About Helping Their Client in Criminal Cases

**5:15-6:15 PM:** Middle District of Louisiana's Local Rules, Amendments & the Civil Pro Bono Pilot Program Overview

**6:15-7:00 PM:** Hospitality Suite in the Sky Lounge

**7:00-8:30 PM:** Dinner at Julep Point (**Ticketed event**)

**8:30 PM-Midnight:** Silent Auction, Cocktails & Dancing with Bag of Donuts (**Ticketed event**)

## friday, july 24

**7:00 AM:** Complimentary yoga (**Bring your own mat**)

**7:30 AM:** Breakfast Buffet (**Ticketed event**)

**7:30 AM-1:00 PM:** Registration and Exhibits

**8:00-9:00 AM:** Who Polices the Police, and How, and Why?

**9:00-10:00 AM:** Invasion of the Privacy Snatchers: Common Law and Statutory Claims for Invasion of Privacy

**10:00-10:15 AM:** Coffee Break

**10:15-10:45 AM:** Counseling the Client about the Internet, Social Media and the Like

**10:45-11:15 AM:** An Overview of Federal and State Consumer Privacy Laws

**11:15-11:45 AM:** Privacy, Publicity and Trademark Rights

**11:45 AM-12:45 PM:** Professionalism: You Can't Do That, Can You?

**12:45-2:00 PM:** Meeting of the BRBA Board of Directors

**6:00 PM:** Dine Around Fairhope

**10:00 PM:** Dessert Party (**Ticketed event**)

## saturday, july 25

**7:00 AM:** Complimentary yoga (**Bring your own mat**)

**7:30 AM:** Breakfast Buffet (**Ticketed event**)

**7:30 AM-12:30 PM:** Registration and Exhibits

**8:00-8:45 AM:** Privacy Concerns on College Campuses and in the Schools

**8:45-9:45 AM:** Recent Developments in Ethics

**9:00 AM-Noon:** Tennis Tournament (**Separate registration required**)

**9:45-10:45 AM:** Tip of the Spear: The Latest on Cybersecurity and Hacking, from the FTC, Congress and Courts

**10:45-11:00 AM:** Coffee Break

**11:00-11:45 AM:** Sexting, Texting and the Dark Side of the Internet  
(**Open to all guests ages 12 and up**)

**11:45 AM-12:30 PM:** Roundtable on How Privacy Issues Affect the Lawyer

**1:00 PM:** Golf Tournament (**Separate registration required**)

**6:00-8:00 PM:** Awards Ceremony and Hospitality Suite in the Sky Lounge

**7:30-10:00 PM:** Dive-in Movie at the pool

# schedule of events

## Thursday, July 23

10:00 AM-6:00 PM

Registration - Sponsored by Ogwyn Law Firm.

**Location: Grand Ballroom Foyer**

Noon-6:00 PM

Exhibits - Champion Medical Center • Dr. Michael J. Goff / Louisiana Health & Injury Centers  
LexisNexis • Louisiana State Bar Association • Perry Dampf Dispute Solutions • Rathmann  
Chiropractic Clinic & Rathmann-Richards Chiropractic Clinic • Thomson Reuters • USDC-Middle  
District Bench Bar Fund

**Location: Grand Ballroom Foyer**

2:00 PM

Opening remarks - BRBA President Robert J. Burns Jr.

Conference moderators - Professor William R. Corbett and Professor John M. Church

**Location: Grand Ballroom North**

2:00-3:00 PM

The Law of Robots: New Rules for a New Era of Machines

*People often think about robots as the province of science fiction. They aren't. Intelligent machines are a fact of our present-day life, from simple vacuum cleaners to self-driving cars, from military drones to DaVinci surgical robots. This new era of intelligent machines requires that we rethink our most basic assumptions about law—from tort and property law to labor, agency and even tax law. But as the technology changes quickly, our law does not. Fastcase CEO Edward J. Walters III teaches The Law of Robots at Georgetown Law and will discuss the frontiers of law and regulation, not for our science-fiction future, but for our Watson-enabled present.*

**Speaker: Edward J. Walters III**

3:00-4:00 PM

Privacy in the Workplace: How Reasonable are Our Expectations of Privacy?

*A look at protected activities under the NLRA, Social Media in the workplace and cooperating with government subpoenas and investigations*

**Speakers: John H. Fenner and Kyle A. Ferachi**

4:00-4:15 PM

Coffee Break - Sponsored by DeCuir, Clark & Adams, L.L.P.

4:15-5:15 PM

Privacy and More...10 Things Every Lawyer Should Know

About Helping Their Client in Criminal Cases

*This panel will discuss what every lawyer needs to know in order to better serve their clients.*

**Speakers: James E. Boren and C. Frank Holthaus**

5:15-6:15 PM

Middle District of Louisiana's Local Rules, Amendments & the Civil Pro Bono

Pilot Program Overview

*The Middle District of Louisiana will review the latest amendments of the Local Rules that became effective April 2, 2015. The panel will highlight and discuss amendments to existing rules as well as address new rules included in this recent revision. U.S. District Judge Shelly D. Dick will also present an overview of the Civil Pro Bono Pilot Program, which commenced on March 13, 2015. Participants will receive a brief description of the Resolution adopted by the Middle District and an overview of the program, including when a case will warrant assignment of pro bono counsel and the steps associated with assignment through disposition.*

**Speakers: Judge Shelly D. Dick and Donna Gregory**

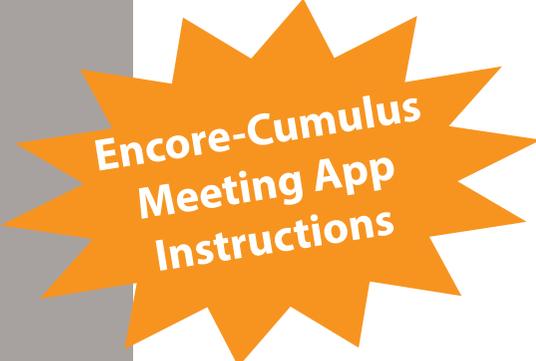
6:15-7:00 PM	Hospitality Suite - Sponsored by Total Care Injury and Pain Centers and Walters, Papillion, Thomas, Cullens, LLC. <b>Location: Sky Lounge</b>
7:00-8:30 PM	Dinner at Julep Point - Sponsored by the BRBA Young Lawyers Section, Dr. Michael J. Goff / Louisiana Health & Injury Centers and Thomson Reuters. <b>Ticketed event</b>
8:30 PM-Midnight	Silent Auction, Cocktails and Dancing with Bag of Donuts - Sponsored by the BRBA Young Lawyers Section, Dr. Michael J. Goff / Louisiana Health & Injury Centers and Thomson Reuters. <b>Location: Grand Ballroom South</b> <b>Ticketed event</b>
<b>Friday, July 24</b>	
7:00 AM	Complimentary yoga with Charlotte Andrews (bring your own mat) <b>Location: North Bay House Beach (weather permitting)   in the case of rain: Card Room</b>
7:30 AM	Breakfast Buffet - Sponsored by Taylor Porter. <b>Location: Grand Ballroom North Foyer</b> <b>Ticketed event</b>
7:30 AM-1:00 PM	Registration - Sponsored by Joubert Law Firm.  Exhibits - Champion Medical Center • FindLaw • Dr. Michael J. Goff / Louisiana Health & Injury Centers Kean Miller LLP • LexisNexis • Louisiana State Bar Association • Perry Dampf Dispute Solutions Rathmann Chiropractic Clinic & Rathmann-Richards Chiropractic Clinic • Thomson Reuters • USDC-Middle District Bench Bar Fund <b>Location: Grand Ballroom Foyer</b>
8:00 AM	Opening remarks - BRBA President Robert J. Burns Jr. Conference moderators - Professor William R. Corbett and Professor John M. Church <b>Location: Grand Ballroom North</b>
8:00-9:00 AM	Who Polices the Police, and How, and Why? <i>The panel will discuss various investigative tools of the government in the digital age, the statutory authority and approvals required for gathering certain evidence, and the limitations in place on those efforts. The panel will also discuss how evolving technology creates new challenges under current law and the U.S. Constitution. Finally, the panel will discuss proposed revisions to Rule 41 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure governing a magistrate judge's authority to issue search warrants authorizing remote access of electronic media stored outside of the district.</i> <b>Speakers: Magistrate Judge Richard Bourgeois Jr., U.S. Attorney J. Walter Green and Marci Blaize</b>
9:00-10:00 AM	Invasion of the Privacy Snatchers: Common Law and Statutory Claims for Invasion of Privacy <i>This segment considers the torts used to seek redress for intrusions on privacy, including invasion of privacy, defamation and intentional infliction of emotional distress. It also considers the proliferation of federal and state statutes addressing privacy issues and how they interact with tort law. Several federal statutes are considered, including the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, the Stored Communications Act and the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act. Various state statutes will also be considered, including Louisiana's Personal Online Accountability Privacy Protection Act, La. R.S. 28: 1951 to 1955. 28:1953 and the 2015 "revenge porn" law, La. R.S. 14:283.2.</i> <b>Speakers: Professor William R. Corbett and Professor John M. Church</b>
10:00-10:15 AM	Coffee Break - Sponsored by Hammonds, Sills, Adkins & Guice, LLP.

10:15-10:45 AM	<p>Counseling the Client about the Internet, Social Media and the Like</p> <p><i>A recent study showed that 56 percent of adults in this country have a profile on at least one social media website, but where does privacy play a role when it comes to use of a person's social media in litigation? This presentation intends to be a discussion on the new legal frontiers of America's social habits and its effects on personal injury litigation including: discovery of social media, privacy issues, counseling clients on their use of social media, and potential consequences of social media use on pending litigation. The presentation will discuss the impact of social media on handling personal injury litigation. Included will be a discussion of the different types of social media and how they are affecting litigation, discovery of social media, privacy issues and counseling clients on their use of social media and the potential consequences on pending litigation. The effort will be to generate a discussion among everyone as opposed to a lecture.</i></p> <p><b>Speaker: David L. Bateman</b></p>
10:45-11:15 AM	<p>An Overview of Federal and State Consumer Privacy Laws</p> <p><i>This CLE will cover several federal and state laws designed to protect consumers' personal privacy. Some of the laws addressed include the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, CAN-SPAM Act, and Drivers Privacy Protection Act, and their Louisiana state law counterparts, among several others. These laws were enacted to protect the privacy of individuals, and have become the source of prolific litigation across the country in the form of class and individual actions, especially given the statutory damages recoverable through many of them. We will also cover how these statutes may apply to developing technologies that did not exist when some of these laws were first enacted.</i></p> <p><b>Speakers: Christopher K. Jones and Brent J. Cobb</b></p>
11:15-11:45 AM	<p>Privacy, Publicity and Trademark Rights</p> <p><i>A brief review and comparison of three separate but interrelated areas of the law that protect private and proprietary interests. WARNING: This presentation includes material of a sexual nature that is suitable for adult audiences only.</i></p> <p><b>Speaker: Stephen R. Doody</b></p>
11:45 AM-12:45 PM	<p>Professionalism: You Can't Do That, Can You?</p> <p><i>This is an audience-interactive program that will present video vignettes of situations that arise during litigation, specifically addressing issues of social media and privacy, and how to handle them in a professional manner.</i></p> <p><b>Speakers: Edward J. Walters Jr. and Michael Patterson</b></p>
12:45-2:00 PM	<p>Meeting of the BRBA Board of Directors</p> <p><b>Location: Boardroom 1</b></p>
6:00 PM	<p>Dine Around Fairhope</p> <p><i>Restaurants: Saltwater Grill, Gambino's Italian Grill, Thyme by the Bay, Wintzell's Oyster House, Fairhope Inn Restaurant, Wash House, Agave Mexican Restaurant and Grand Steakhouse.</i></p> <p><b>To make reservations: please sign up at the Registration Table in the Grand Ballroom Foyer.</b></p>
10:00 PM	<p>Dessert Party - Sponsored by Dr. Michael J. Goff / Louisiana Health &amp; Injury Centers and LexisNexis.</p> <p><i>Louisiana Health &amp; Injury Centers will draw for a Sonos Speaker - the perfect addition to your home or office network. Winner must be present to win.</i></p> <p><b>Location: Magnolia 4</b></p> <p><b>Ticketed event</b></p>

## Saturday, July 25

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7:30 AM	Breakfast Buffet - Sponsored by USDC-Middle District Bench Bar Fund <b>Location: Grand Ballroom North Foyer</b> <b>Ticketed event</b>
7:30-11:30 AM	Registration - Sponsored by Senator Daniel A. Claitor and Law Offices of Ossie Brown. <b>Location: Grand Ballroom Foyer</b>  Exhibits - Champion Medical Center • Dr. Michael J. Goff / Louisiana Health & Injury Centers LexisNexis • Perry Dampf Dispute Solutions • Rathmann Chiropractic Clinic & Rathmann-Richards Chiropractic Clinic • Thomson Reuters • USDC-Middle District Bench Bar Fund <b>Location: Grand Ballroom Foyer</b>
8:00 AM	Opening remarks - BRBA President Robert J. Burns Jr. Conference moderators - Professor William R. Corbett and Professor John M. Church <b>Location: Grand Ballroom North</b>
8:00-8:45 AM	Privacy Concerns on College Campuses and in the Schools <i>Colleges are on the cutting edge of privacy concerns as they have been one of the greatest targets for cyber-attacks seeking personal information. Their response provides important lessons on how companies should protect personal information and the downside to not taking significant measures to protect customer information.</i> <b>Speaker: Edward Harold</b>
8:45-9:45 AM	Recent Developments in Ethics <i>Professor Dane S. Ciolino will discuss recent developments in Louisiana Ethics.</i> <b>Speaker: Professor Dane S. Ciolino</b>
9:00 AM-Noon	Tennis Tournament <b>Registration: Grand Ballroom Foyer</b> <b>Location: Tennis Courts</b>
9:45-10:45 AM	Tip of the Spear: The Latest on Cybersecurity and Hacking, from the FTC, Congress and Courts <i>As the Sony, Anthem and federal network breaches clear, cybersecurity and privacy will be a major challenge for the private sector and policymakers. Businesses and their lawyers need to stay on top of developments and identify what is relevant in the federal privacy and security landscape. Several federal agencies, like the FTC, FCC, NIST and DoD, are taking action—identifying best practices and bringing enforcement action against business large and small. Litigation is starting to identify issues. This session will provide an overview of the major cyber and data security risks, and an update on what is going on in Washington, D.C., to address them. From vendor risk management to regulatory oversight, businesses of all sizes and sophistication face an array of risks and concerns. What do businesses and their lawyers need to think about in the coming year? What risks should you and your clients be aware of? What is happening in Congress and in federal agencies? What questions should general counsel be asking? How can companies be prepared for the inevitable security incident? What does the NIST cybersecurity framework mean for businesses and their regulators?</i> <b>Speaker: Megan Brown</b>
10:45-11:00 AM	Coffee Break - Sponsored by McGlinchey Stafford.

11:00-11:45 AM	<p>Sexting, Texting and the Dark Side of the Internet  <i>A journey into the dangers of the modern Internet and methods of protecting loved ones online. The presentation will educate participants in some of the current dangerous trends as seen by law enforcement. The trends discussed during this presentation will cover social media, gaming systems, sexting, extortion, child exploitation, the dark web and geotagging. In addition to identifying these dangers, this presentation will provide participants with methods and techniques that can be used to minimize an individual's risk while they or their loved ones are online.</i></p> <p><b>Speaker: David Ferris</b>  <b>Guests ages 12 and up encouraged to attend.</b></p>
11:45 AM-12:30 PM	<p>Roundtable on How Privacy Issues Affect the Lawyer  <b>Speakers: Professor William R. Corbett, Professor John M. Church and Megan Brown</b></p>
1:00 PM	<p>Golf Tournament  Sponsored by Rathmann Chiropractic Clinic.  Beverage sponsors - Donohue Patrick &amp; Scott, PLLC and Jolie Pearl  Hole sponsors - Law Office of Ossie Brown and Roedel, Parsons, Koch, Blache, Balhoff &amp; McCollister  <b>Registration: Grand Ballroom Foyer</b>  <b>Location: Lakewood Golf Club</b></p>
6:00-8:00 PM	<p>Awards Ceremony and Hospitality Suite - Sponsored by Dudley DeBosier Injury Lawyers, Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann LLC and Williamson Fontenot &amp; Campbell, LLC.  <b>Location: Sky Lounge</b></p>
7:30 -10:00 PM	<p>Dive-in movie  <b>Location: Poolside (weather permitting)   in the case of rain: check with the hotel front desk</b></p>



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**Thursday, 8:30 p.m.-midnight**

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Silent auction proceeds benefit the Baton Rouge Bar Foundation.*

## David L. Bateman

David L. Bateman is the principal member of Bateman Law Firm in Baton Rouge, La. He graduated from Louisiana State University with a degree in journalism in 1984 and a juris doctorate from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at LSU in 1988. The focus of Bateman's practice has always been civil litigation, and in 1995 Bateman founded Bateman Law Firm to represent plaintiffs in personal litigation with special emphasis on maritime and road hazard cases. Bateman also represents a variety of small business owners in commercial and contract litigation matters.

## Marci Blaize

Marci Blaize is a criminal defense attorney whose practice includes trial experience on various levels, including city, state and federal courts. Blaize has served as lead trial attorney in wire fraud, bank fraud, Medicare fraud, homicide, narcotics and weapon cases. After graduating from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University in 1997, she completed a judicial clerkship in the 19th Judicial District Criminal Court with the Honorable Timothy Kelley. Thereafter, she worked as an associate and eventually moved to partner with the Rothkamm Blaize and Boudreaux Law Firm. In 2003, Blaize established the Blaize Law Firm, LLC, and is working as a solo practitioner. Since 2006, she has served on the Criminal Justice Act Panel for the Middle District of Louisiana, and in 2011 was selected from among the members of the Panel to serve as the District Representative, a role that she continues to date. Blaize is past President of the Baton Rouge Bar of Criminal Justice and member of the Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys and the National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys, among other local and state associations. In 2005, she was appointed by the governor to serve on the Louisiana Advisory Committee on Licensing of Child Care Facilities and Child Placing Agencies. Blaize is a past Board Member of CASA, Court Appointed Special Advocates and the Junior League of Baton Rouge. Currently she serves on the Board of the Emerge Center, the former Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation. Blaize has been married to Charles Gary Blaize Jr. since 1994, and they have two daughters, Abby Frances (14) and Avery (5).

## James E. Boren

James E. Boren has been defending the rights of the accused and the lawyers who defend them since 1976. He appears frequently in the Legislature to testify on reform legislation and serves on two of the Law Institute's Advisory Committees – Evidence and Criminal Procedure. He is an adjunct professor at the LSU Law Center, teaching courses on wrongful conviction of the innocent and capital punishment. Boren accepts difficult cases, including those involving famous victims or the death penalty. He has defended judges in confidential Judiciary Commission disciplinary proceedings, lawyers, law enforcement officers, bankers, an athletic director, and numerous other public officials. His past clientele has included a mayor of Baton Rouge, a major in law enforcement acquitted of 11 counts of perjury in federal court, a deputy U.S. Marshall accused of obstruction of justice, Howard Rollins - the star of "In the Heat of the Night," the young daughter of a judge caught shooting a convenience store clerk on videotape in a case the media dubbed "The Natural Born Killers," one of the defendants of "The Jena 6," a case that garnered national media exposure, and a member of the "Angola 5," which consisted of a group of inmates who planned an escape from Louisiana State Penitentiary and killed a guard in the process. Some of his most notable victories include: negotiating a plea and life sentence for his "Angola 5" client; negotiating a plea to a misdemeanor simple battery charge for his "Jena 6" client, whom the State had formally charged with attempted second degree murder; a life sentence from a Lake Charles jury for a client who killed his wife and a policeman who came to investigate a domestic disturbance; a Shreveport jury acquitted a client of killing her husband, a wife beater; a Bogalusa jury found self-defense and acquitted a client who killed a man by shooting him in the back three times; and, a Leesville jury rendered a not guilty verdict in 21 minutes on public corruption charges. He has also won an acquittal for a man charged with stalking a judge.

## Magistrate Judge Richard L. Bourgeois Jr.

Judge Richard L. Bourgeois was sworn in as a United States Magistrate Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana in February 2013. He is responsible for various pretrial proceedings in criminal cases, as well as management of the civil cases pending in the district, including ruling on both non-dispositive and dispositive motions referred by the District Judges, conducting evidentiary hearings and consent trials in civil cases and trials in misdemeanor criminal cases. For purposes of criminal investigations, his responsibilities include the issuance of search warrants, pen register / trap and trace orders, as well as orders for information covered by the Stored Communications Act. Judge Bourgeois received his B.S. from LSU and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law School. After receiving his law degree, he worked as a commercial litigator in Washington, D.C., with the law firm Latham and Watkins. Judge Bourgeois has been a speaker at various continuing legal education programs as well as industry specific programs on matters regarding criminal law and procedure, computer crimes and forensics, Internet safety and health care law, as well as civil practice and procedure.

## Megan Brown

Megan Brown has significant litigation and regulatory experience before federal agencies and courts and on issues related to technology and regulation. Brown has developed expertise helping businesses respond to regulation and legislation, with particular focus on cybersecurity, data security and privacy. She represents corporations and industries in complex regulatory proceedings and develops litigation and compliance strategies under a variety of statutes, including the federal Communications Act, the Federal Trade Commission Act, as well as the U.S. Constitution. Brown graduated from Harvard Law School and the College of William and Mary. She clerked for the Honorable E. Grady Jolly of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, whose chambers is in Jackson, Miss. She served as Counsel to two United States Attorneys General at the Department of Justice. Brown has been recognized as a “Rising Star” in Technology Law, and The Legal 500 US named her a “recommended lawyer” in Telecom and Broadcast Regulatory Law and Supreme Court and Appellate Law.

## John M. Church

Prior to joining the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at LSU faculty in 1991, John M. Church was an associate at the Denver law firm of Davis, Graham & Stubbs. He also clerked for Judge Robert H. McWilliams of the U.S. Tenth Circuit. He received his law degree from the University of Colorado in 1988 and has an M.S. in Economics from the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign. Professor Church teaches, writes and speaks in the areas of Torts, Toxic Torts, Intellectual Property, Internet Law, Competition Law, and Law and Economics. He has served as the Law Center’s representative to the Board of Governors of the Louisiana State Bar Association three times and is active in local and state bar activities. He is one of the founding board members of the Louisiana Center for Civil Justice, an organization dedicated to the provision of legal services to those in need. This past summer, Professor Church directed LSU Law’s summer program in Lyon, France, and taught the Law of Wine.

## Dane S. Ciolino

Dane S. Ciolino serves as the Alvin R. Christovich Distinguished Professor of Law at Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. His current scholarly and teaching interests at Loyola include Professional Responsibility, Evidence, Advocacy, and Criminal Law. Professor Ciolino graduated *cum laude* from Rhodes College in 1985, and *magna cum laude* from Tulane Law School in 1988, where he was inducted into Order of the Coif and selected as Editor in Chief of the Tulane Law Review. After graduation, he clerked for the United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, and practiced law at Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP in New York City, and Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann LLC in New Orleans. He has served as reporter to the Louisiana State Bar Association Ethics 2000 Committee, as chairperson of a Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board Hearing Committee, as Chair of the Lawyer Disciplinary Committee of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana and as a member of various LSBA committees including the Professionalism Committee, the Lawyer & Judicial Codes of Conduct Committee, and the Ethics Advisory Service Committee. His weblog, Louisiana Legal Ethics, is located at [www.lalegaletics.org](http://www.lalegaletics.org). Professor Ciolino engages in a limited law practice and in law-related consulting, principally in the areas of legal ethics, lawyer discipline, judicial discipline and federal criminal law. He represents clients in disciplinary matters before the Louisiana Supreme Court, the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board, and the Louisiana Judiciary Commission. He also handles legal malpractice cases, lawyer disqualification motions and lawyer fee disputes. Finally, he consults and serves as an expert witness in the fields of legal ethics, legal fees and the standards of care and conduct governing lawyers. Professor Ciolino can be contacted at (504) 975-3263, and or [dane@daneciolino.com](mailto:dane@daneciolino.com).

## Brent J. Cobb

Brent J. Cobb handles disputes involving construction, sales and use tax, franchise tax, premises liability, product liability, insurance defense, personal injury and complex litigation. Cobb represents insurance companies, governmental entities, architects and engineers, contractors, corporations, limited liability companies, small businesses and individuals in the state and federal courts of Louisiana, as well as in administrative proceedings before state agencies. He received his Juris Doctorate and Graduate Diploma in Civil Law from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University in 2012 where he graduated *cum laude*. He holds a degree in history from Louisiana State University and attended Tulane University prior to Hurricane Katrina. He also spent a summer prior to college studying engineering at Vanderbilt University. Cobb shows the same passion for his law practice as he does to his interests outside of work, such as his volunteer service to those less fortunate, including Habitat for Humanity, Boys & Girls Club, and Lighthouse Louisiana, a non-profit helping individuals with disabilities.

## **William R. Corbett**

William R. Corbett holds the Frank L. Maraist and Wex S. Malone Professorships at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center of Louisiana State University. He has been a faculty member at LSU since 1991. In 23 years on the faculty, Professor Corbett has taught Labor Law, Employment Law, Employment Discrimination, Comparative Labor Law, Torts, Relational Torts, Federal Civil Procedure, and Louisiana Civil Procedure. Professor Corbett served as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs of the LSU Law Center from 1997 through 1999. He was a visiting associate professor at William and Mary in 1996 and a visiting professor at the University of Georgia School of Law in 2004 and 2011. He has served as the executive director of the Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel since 2001, with responsibility for arranging and administering the continuing legal education programs of the LADC. From 1998 to 2001, he had similar responsibilities while serving as the executive director of the Louisiana Judicial College. Professor Corbett has contributed to several books and written numerous articles on labor, employment, and torts topics. He is a frequent speaker on continuing legal education programs. Corbett received his B.A. from Auburn University and his law degree from the University of Alabama, where he was Editor-in-Chief of the *Alabama Law Review* and a member of the Order of the Coif. Before coming to the LSU Law Center in 1991, he practiced labor and employment law in Birmingham, Ala., with Burr & Forman.

## **Stephen R. Doody**

Steve R. Doody is an attorney with the Baton Rouge firm of Roy Kiesel. He received a B.S. in Civil Engineering from LSU in 1974; his J.D. from Loyola in 1977; and a Master of Pastoral Studies degree from Loyola in 2009. Doody has been registered to practice before the U.S. Patent Trademark Office since 1978, and he has extensive experience in the prosecution, licensing and litigation of patents, trademarks, copyrights and related intellectual property law matters.

## **Judge Shelly D. Dick**

Judge Shelly D. Dick was nominated by President Barack Obama on April 26, 2012, to a seat on the U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana. She was confirmed by the Senate on May 9, 2013, and received commission on May 10, 2013. She received her Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1981, and her J.D. from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University in 1998. Judge Dick was in private practice from 1988-2013. She served as an Ad Hoc Hearing Officer for the Louisiana Workforce Commission, Office of Workers' Compensation from 2008-2013, and was an Ad Hoc Hearing Officer for the Randolph Sheppard Program, Louisiana Workforce Commission in 2011. She served on the Dean Henry George McMahon American Inns of Court from 1991-1993.

## **John H. Fenner**

John H. Fenner is Vice President, Corporate General Counsel, and serves as the Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer for Turner Industries Group, LLC & its affiliated companies, an industrial contractor headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., which provides construction, maintenance, turnaround, pipe fabrication and other specialized services to the petro-chemical industry. Fenner is heavily involved in complex contract negotiations for Turner's services, which include issues such as indemnities, insurance, job performance standards and other key areas of risk management. Fenner also advises his company's management on a wide variety of issues, including wage and hour, Title VII and related claims, regulatory affairs, safety issues for Turner work sites, and dispute resolution processes for employee claims. He manages Turner's outside counsel relationships, and drafted guidelines that govern those relationships. Fenner also manages and supervises Turner's compliance initiatives, including enforcement of company policies relative to Title VII, the ADA, FMLA, & the ADEA; as well as for government agencies such as OSHA, MSHA, the EEOC, and the NLRB. Fenner has further drafted and enforces internal company policies regarding employee privacy, social media, conflict of interest disclosures, as well as Turner's corporate code of conduct.

## **Kyle A. Ferachi**

Kyle A. Ferachi is a member of the McGlinchey Stafford law firm in Houston, Texas. His primary areas of focus include labor and employment law and commercial litigation. Ferachi defends private employers against various allegations of violations of federal and state statutes governing discrimination, harassment, ERISA claims, whistle-blower claims, OSHA complaints and post-accident investigations, and non-compete agreements. Ferachi also regularly advises employers on legal considerations when using social media in the workplace, including the creation and implementation of social media policies. He represents employers in responding to allegations brought before the United States Health and Occupational Review Commission, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and Louisiana Commission on Human Rights. He also works with clients to prevent employment claims by drafting policy manuals, conducting training seminars for managers and employees, and advising clients on employment decisions, such as hiring and termination. Ferachi litigates employment matters at the state and appellate levels. Ferachi frequently speaks to employers and trade groups on social media in the workplace. Ferachi is a 2001 graduate of the LSU Law Center and a past member of the Baton Rouge Bar Association board of directors.

## David Ferris

David Ferris has been in law enforcement 15 years and in a child exploitation capacity for eight years. He is currently a Section Chief in the Louisiana Attorney General's Office, Cyber Crime Unit. During that time he has conducted thousands of hours of instruction and operations in undercover investigations. He has trained hundreds of law enforcement officers across the state in undercover investigation in both online solicitation and advance Peer to Peer Networks. He has assisted local, state and federal agencies in more than 700 cases and hundreds of arrests. He received a B.A. in Psychology from Ashford University in Clinton, Iowa. He is also a United States Marine Corps veteran having served in Iraq. He has been certified as an expert in Undercover Peer to Peer investigations, Cyber crimes, and Child exploitation before several Louisiana Judicial courts.

## U.S. Attorney J. Walter Green

J. Walter Green serves as the United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana. On March 13, 2014, President Barack Obama nominated Green for the position of United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana. The U.S. Senate unanimously confirmed Green's nomination on May 1, 2014, and he was sworn in on June 2, 2014. In this position, Green is the chief federal law enforcement officer within the nine parishes that comprise the Middle District of Louisiana. He manages a staff of more than 45 federal and contract employees. As U.S. Attorney, Green is committed to carrying out the mission of the United States Department of Justice including protecting Americans from terrorism and threats to national security, both foreign and domestic; combating violent crime; fighting public corruption; and protecting the country's vulnerable populations – children, the elderly, hate crime victims, and victims of human trafficking and exploitation. Green earned his B.A. from Louisiana State University and his J.D. from Tulane Law School. He served on active duty in the United States Marine Corps from 1993 to 1997. Afterward, he joined the U.S. Attorney's Office in Las Vegas, Nev., as an Assistant United States Attorney. In 2000, he returned to Baton Rouge, La., to serve as an Assistant United States Attorney. Additionally, he served as the Acting U.S. Attorney from July 1, 2013 to June 2, 2014.

## Donna Gregory

Donna Gregory began her career with the U. S. District Court Clerk's office for the Middle District of Louisiana in 1984. For the past 15 years, Gregory has served as Chief Deputy Clerk assisting the Clerk in organizational and management planning, developing and implementing office policies and procedures and making recommendations on all administrative matters including budget and staffing. In 2004, Gregory served as project manager for the implementation of the Case Management/ Electronic Case Files system (CM/ECF) and in 2008 was appointed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts to serve a two-year term on the Next Generation of CM/ECF project. Most recently, she served as a member of the Local Rules Committee assisting with the revisions of the Rules adopted April 12, 2015, by the Middle District.

## Edward Harold

Edward Harold is a partner Fisher & Phillips, New Orleans and chair of the firm's Retail Industry Practice Group. His practice is primarily devoted to employment litigation in both state and federal court in La., Miss., and Ala. and counseling employers to avoid litigation. Throughout his career, he has spent significant time and attention assisting employers in managing employee attendance and leave issues. As a result of this work, in 1999, Harold testified before the Subcommittee on Children and Families of the Health, Education, Labor and Pension Committee of the United States Senate about the problems employers face in administering FMLA leave.

## C. Frank Holthaus

C. Frank Holthaus was born in New Orleans, La., July 2, 1949, and admitted to the Louisiana bar in 1975. He is also admitted to practice before U.S. Supreme Court; U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth and Eleventh Circuits; U.S. District Court, Eastern, Western and Middle Districts of Louisiana. After finishing undergraduate school at Louisiana State University and the University of Texas at Austin in Mechanical Engineering and Mathematics curricula, Holthaus returned to LSU Law School, graduating in 1975. Holthaus thereafter clerked for Justice John A. Dixon of the Louisiana Supreme Court. Holthaus then entered private practice. Since graduating LSU Law in 1975 Holthaus has been admitted to practice before numerous Courts, has served in offices with numerous legal societies and has become board certified in criminal law.

## **Christopher K. Jones**

Christopher K. Jones focuses his practice primarily on class actions and other complex litigation. He has been appointed lead counsel in numerous consumer protection class actions, and has also served as defense counsel for many companies facing significant exposure in mass tort litigation and class action. Jones is currently involved in several Multi District Litigation (MDL) cases, representing both plaintiffs and defendants. His experience allows him to effectively prosecute and defend cases in this complex area of the law. In addition to class action litigation, he focuses his practice on insurance defense and commercial litigation, personal injury litigation, and he handles a number of tax litigation matters. Jones also handles consumer protection cases and collections for many local and out-of-state companies. He graduated from Tulane University in 1999 and received his law degree from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center in 2002. At Tulane he was a member of the varsity baseball team. During his career he has become actively involved in the Baton Rouge Bar Association, for which he is currently serving as a member of its Board of Directors, and has previously served as a council member for the Young Lawyers Section. In addition to assisting with many of the BRBA's activities, he has helped many individuals through the BRBF Pro Bono Project.

## **Michael A. Patterson**

Michael A. Patterson is a graduate of the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at LSU and is the senior litigation partner with Long Law Firm in Baton Rouge, La. He received a Certificate and LLM in Dispute Resolution from Pepperdine University. He is the managing member of The Patterson Resolution Group, which provides mediation and arbitration services throughout the State of Louisiana in complex legal matters. He serves on the adjunct faculty of the LSU Law Center and, along with Edward J. Walters Jr., teaches a course in trial advocacy and evidence. He is the author of many legal articles and is the chapter author of Louisiana Trial Procedure, Hearsay. He is a past president of the Louisiana State Bar Association and the Baton Rouge Bar Association. He is past chairman of the Louisiana Supreme Court Committee on Bar Admissions. He received the LSU Law Center Distinguished Achievement Award in 2013.

## **Edward J. Walters Jr.**

Edward J. Walters Jr. is a partner in the Baton Rouge law firm of Walters, Papillion, Thomas, Cullens, LLC. He received his B.S. from Louisiana State University in 1969 and his J.D. from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University in 1975. He is an Adjunct professor of law at the LSU Law Center where, along with Michael A. Patterson, he teaches a course titled "Advanced Trial and Evidence Seminar." He has been board certified in Civil Trial Advocacy by the National Board of Trial Advocacy since 1988 and is a member of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers and the American College of Trial Lawyers. He has been named the 2015 LSU Law Center Distinguished Alumnus of the year, is a Past President of the Baton Rouge Bar Association and is editor of Around the Bar magazine.

## **Edward J. Walters III**

Edward J. Walters III is the CEO and co-founder of Fastcase, an online legal research software company based in Washington, D.C. Under his leadership, Fastcase has grown into one of the world's largest legal publishers, currently serving more than 800,000 subscribers worldwide. Fastcase provides a free legal research member benefit to all members of the Louisiana State Bar Association. (The company also provides member benefits to 26 other state bar associations nationwide, but the LSBA was the first.) Before founding Fastcase, Walters worked at Covington & Burling in Washington, D.C., and Brussels, where he advised clients such as Microsoft, Merck, SmithKline, the National Football League, and the National Hockey League. His practice focused on corporate advisory work for software companies and sports leagues, and intellectual property litigation. Walters worked in the White House from 1991 to 1993, first in the Office of Media Affairs and then in the Office of Presidential Speechwriting. He graduated from Georgetown University and the University of Chicago Law School, where he was an editor of The University of Chicago Law Review. He serves on the boards of Pro Bono Net, Public.Resource.org, Friends of Telecom Without Borders, and Salsa Labs. He teaches Law of Robots, a class about the frontiers of law and technology, at Georgetown University Law Center.

## The Grand Hotel Daily Traditions

- **Afternoon Tea** | You are invited to join in the Grand tradition of afternoon tea and an assortment of delicious cookies, coffee and tea. Daily at 4 p.m. located in the Upper Lobby of the main building.
- **A Grand salute to the military** | The daily Grand tradition begins at 3:45 p.m. in the Main Hotel Lobby starting with a procession and a brief historic presentation, followed by a parade around the Grand Hotel grounds, concluding with the firing of the cannon at approximately 4 p.m. near the croquet lawn.

## Dining and Lounging

- **Pelican's Nest and Blue Marlin Bar** | The Pelican's Nest offers great burgers, sandwiches and salads for kids of all ages. For adult libations with a tropical twist, the Blue Marlin Bar has a great selection of frozen concoctions and the coldest beer on property. Swimsuits and children are definitely welcome at the Pelican's Nest. **Open for lunch | Poolside service available**
- **Grand Coffee Shop** | Conveniently located near the entrance to the dining room in the main building, the Grand Coffee Shop offers the freshest coffees and pastries. **Open for breakfast | Complimentary coffee offered 6-8 a.m.**
- **Lakewood Golf Club Restaurant** | The Lakewood Restaurant's casual menu has been a culinary favorite of Lakewood members and Grand guests for generations. **Open for lunch | Dress code: casual**
- **Bucky's Birdcage Lounge** | Enjoy your favorite cocktail while you relax and watch the beautiful waters of Mobile Bay. Bucky's Birdcage Lounge features music and dancing with cocktails and appetizers in the evenings. **Open for lunch and dinner | Dress code: casual**
- **Grand Steakhouse** | Experience one of Fairhope's premier steakhouses, with exceptional cuts of certified Angus, Prime or Kobe beef. **Open for dinner | Dress code: casual**
- **Saltwater Grill** | The Grand Hotel's signature seafood restaurant offers guests a lively atmosphere and more than 20 entrees for less than \$20. **Open for dinner | Dress code: casual**

## Additional Recreation, Spa & Activities at the Grand

- **Golf** | The Grand Hotel's Lakewood Golf Club features 36 championship holes of golf. The course opens at 7 a.m. daily, and tee-times are recommended. Appropriate golf attire is required. Contact Lakewood for current greens fee rate, cart rental and other costs. 251-990-6312
- **Tennis** | The Grand Hotel features nine rubico surfaced courts, one hard court and one court with stadium seating. All are lighted. Tennis clothing and regulation tennis shoes are required at all times. Court reservations are required. Located at the Lakewood Club at the Colony on Battles Road. 251-990-6395
- **Fitness** | Newly updated facilities are available and offer the finest, state-of-the-art Life Fitness cardiovascular and strength training equipment. Sports activities and classes ranging in skill and intensity include golf, tennis, jogging/walking circuits, biking, aerobics, indoor/outdoor swimming, horseback riding, kayaking, yoga and stretch and flex. Complimentary fitness center is located in the Spa Building.
- **The Spa and Salon** | A luxurious spa and salon experience awaits you in the Grand's 20,000 square foot European style spa. It offers a complete menu of massage therapies, including warm stone, deep tissue and classic services. A full service salon completes the picture.

## Complimentary Resort Activities

- **Horse Shoe Pit** | Located on the lawn of South Beach (Conference Center)
- **Croquet** | Located on the lawn off the Grand Dining Room. Fully equipped for six people.
- **The Grand Putting Green** | Located on the lawn outside Bucky's Birdcage Lounge. Stocked with putters and balls for your convenience.
- **Pools** | The swimming pool complex includes waterfalls, geysers, fountains, hot tubs, a waterslide and several pools (including a heated adult pool). Must be 48" tall to ride the waterslide. Indoor pool is located in the Spa Building. Bring your bucket and shovel to Tom Sawyer's Playground! Towels provided.
- **The Grand Beach** | Located behind the Pool Complex. Bring your towel, and bathe in the sun. Equipped with lounge chairs.

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