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G-Bar News

PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE

By: James H. Price, III

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Dear Fellow Bar Members:

I am proud to say that we had 150 people attend the summer intern/new associate luncheon on July 20th. This is a good turnout for us, especially since the luncheon was put together over the last couple months. Chris Gantt, Courtney Atkinson, and Melinda Davidson did a wonderful job getting the luncheon organized and thanks to Jim Warren who originally suggested a luncheon in honor of summer interns and new associates.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you, to all of you who timely made your reservations and contemporaneously sent checks. I don't believe that we are going to have any of the problems that I whined about last month, and for this we are most appreciative.

We have decided to combine the G-Bar News for the months of July and August for several reasons, the primary one being to allow us to collect our respective breaths before we get into the busy fall season. There will be no G-Bar News for the month of August.

As I have nothing really important to write or whine about this month, I thought that I would publish our budget with year-to-date expenses and income listed. There are a couple of line items that I would like to explain. On the income side we have \$3,432.73 left over from funds collected for the statewide judges' reception. We will either use this for another party or roll it over for the same reception next year. On the expense side there is \$3,000.00 budgeted for ABA meeting expenses. This is set aside for the in-coming President of the Greenville Bar Association to go to an ABA workshop for "training" to be a Bar President. I didn't use it last year, and Jeff Merriam has indicated that he will not use it this year so we will just continue to muddle our way through unprofessionally.

You will also note a \$752.50 disbursement for gifts. We are not in the habit of giving away your money. However, we gave a spa package at the Grove Park Inn to Nancy Griffith in recognition of her many years of loyal service as our Executive Secretary. All things considered, I believe we are in excellent financial shape due to the fiscal stewardship of Dave Edwards and Melinda Davidson.

Thank you all very, very much for your support and participation.

	<u>Jan 1 - Jul 22, 05</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Income				
Ads - GBar News	1,300.00	2,000.00	-700.00	65.0%
Circuit Court Judges' Reception	3,432.73			
Dues 2005	36,470.00	36,000.00	470.00	101.31%
Interest - Money Market	51.39	30.00	21.39	171.3%
interest income - CD	159.55			
Luncheon- Interns 2005	-552.80			
luncheon - Law Week	-401.67			
Receipts - CLE	<u>245.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>-4,755.00</u>	<u>4.9%</u>
Total Income	40,704.20	43,030.00	-2,325.80	94.6%
Expense				
ABA meeting expenses	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
Annual Meeting	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
charter service	277.21	1,200.00	-922.79	23.1%
Compensation - Ex. Sec.	7,372.32	12,000.00	-4,627.68	61.44%
Disbursement - Gbar News	6,163.58	10,500.00	-4,336.42	58.7%
Gifts	752.50			
Law Week	750.00	750.00	0.00	100.0%
Legal Auxiliary	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Loss on socials and programs	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
Membership - NCBP	0.00	130.00	-130.00	0.0%
Memorial Service	0.00	800.00	-800.00	0.0%
Misc. Disbursements	83.75	600.00	-516.25	13.96%
Office Equipment	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
Postage	110.26	200.00	-89.74	55.13%
Printing	999.93	6,000.00	-5,000.07	16.67%
Service Charges	8.50	100.00	-91.50	8.5%
Supplies	239.78	500.00	-260.22	47.96%
Tax Prep. Fees	575.00	600.00	-25.00	95.83%
Taxes	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
Telephone	<u>872.91</u>	<u>1,400.00</u>	<u>-527.09</u>	<u>62.35%</u>
Total Expense	19,205.74	42,180.00	-22,974.26	45.53%
Net Income	21,498.46	850.00	20,648.46	2,529.23%

PROBATE COURT OVERVIEW
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 2005
9 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS SEMINAR?

This seminar is an overview of the Probate Court rules and procedures for the Greenville County Probate Court and provides an opportunity to interact with the staff of the Probate Court. The Legal Staff Professionals of Greenville encourages attendance by any attorney, paralegal, legal assistant, legal secretary, and all other support staff who handle Probate Court cases and want to expand their knowledge of court procedures, recent rule changes that have been enacted, and new technology being implemented by the Court.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND SPEAKERS

The seminar will be held on Friday, September 30, 2005, in the Greenville County Probate Courtroom, 301 University Ridge, Suite 1200, Greenville, South Carolina. Registration will be from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m., and the seminar will begin promptly at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 12:15 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

The Honorable Debora A. Faulkner, Probate Court Judge, Greenville County, will give an introduction to the Probate Court system. In addition, there will be presentations given by representatives from all areas of the Greenville County Probate Court. Each attendee will receive a comprehensive package of outlines, forms, statutes, new probate brochures, and other resource materials. Should you need a more detailed brochure regarding the various aspects of the Probate Court system that will be presented, please let us know.

This is truly a seminar you will not want to miss. The Probate Court staff will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding procedures or rules pertaining to your dealings with Probate Court. This will be an invaluable insight into the Probate Court system in Greenville County.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name:
Employer:
Address:
Phone/E-mail:
NALS Member No. (if applicable):

FEES	NALS Member	\$65
	Nonmember	\$85
CLE CREDIT	3.0 hours (approved by the Commission on CLE)	

This seminar is limited to 50 people. Cancellations made after September 23, 2005, will receive a refund less a \$25 service fee. Return this registration form with your check payable to LSPG to:

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UPCOMING CLE SEMINARS

SEPTEMBER 16, 2005 EMPLOYMENT LAW SEMINAR

Hosted by the Greenville County Bar Association and Legal Eagle

County Council Chambers

Registration Fee: \$40 before September 14, \$50 after September 14

Contact Melinda at gbarnews@charter.net or 297-1599 to register

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>TOPICS</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Fourth Circuit Update	Ted Gentry
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Immigration Employment Law	Tricia Ravenhorst
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Legal and Practical Issues Related to Non-compete	Tom Bright
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	Break	
10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	ERISA Update	Rob Hoskins
11:15 AM – 11:45 PM	Workplace Arbitration	Grant Burns
11:45 AM – 12:15 PM	Tips from the Bench	The Honorable Bruce H. Hendricks
12:15 PM – 1:15 PM	Lunch on your own	
1:15 PM – 1:45 PM	ADA, FMLA, Worker's Compensation: Common Ground-Common Mistakes	Stephen Brown
1:45 PM - 2:15 PM	Discovery in Employment Law	Brian Murphy
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	Harassment Update	Ingrid Irwin
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Break	
3:00 PM – 4:45 PM	Panel Discussion	Stephen Brown Ingrid Irwin Brian Murphy

A **Sentencing Guidelines Seminar** will be conducted by the United States Probation Office on Friday, October 28, 2005. The seminar will be held at Greenville Technical College, Strom Thurmond Criminal Justice Building #121, Room 120, Greenville, South Carolina, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Attendance is mandatory for attorneys representing criminal defendants in United States District Court in South Carolina who have not previously attended a seminar. Attorneys who have previously attended a seminar may attend as a refresher.

The South Carolina Bar Association awards 1.0 ethics and 6.5 CLE credits for attendance at the seminar.

To register for the seminar, please call Kim Paschal at (864) 239-6123.

Job opportunities

The DEFENDER CORPORATION OF GREENVILLE COUNTY intends to hire an Assistant Public Defender to represent indigent defendants assigned to the Public Defender's Office. This position involves representation of offenders in General Sessions Court. Salary DOE. Anyone interested should notify the Public Defender on or before August 15, 2005. John I. Mauldin, Public Defender, Greenville County Courthouse, Room 123, Greenville, South Carolina 29601. FAX (864) 467-8521

Greenville office of litigation firm with a statewide practice seeking experienced associate to handle cases. The firm handles a variety of cases, including commercial and product liability matters. Majority of clients pay on an hourly basis. Attorney will be responsible for han-

dling lawsuits with moderate supervision. Please submit resume and references to: Attorney Position / Post Office Box 10432 / Greenville, South Carolina 29603.

Growing construction/business litigation firm in downtown Greenville is looking for associate with 3-5 years business/construction litigation experience. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resumes to Kenison & Dudley, LLC via facsimile (864)242-4844, Attn: Tom Dudley.

Small law firm accepting resumes for associate attorney to practice primarily in the areas of real estate and civil litigation. Successful candidate must be good time manager and dependable. Salary depends on the qualifications and experience of applicant. Please email resume to Greenville_attorney@yahoo.com.



The Greenville County Bar Association wishes to extend its sympathies to the family and friends of Ben Bowen.

A Letter from the Honorable Chuck Simmons

July 6, 2005

As many of you are aware, on Thursday June 30 the administrative side of the County Courthouse experienced significant water damage due to a problem with a water pipe on the 3rd floor. This resulted in the Courthouse having to be closed for the rest of that day and, for certain offices, the following day as well.

Many thanks to the fine staff of Building Maintenance and our Courthouse Security detail in helping to avert much greater damage to the facility and records and for their tireless work in the clean-up phase. A special thanks also goes to our Clerk of Court, Paul Wickens, and his staff for their dedicated service in making certain that the Clerk's Office remained open with a "mobile station" located in the hallway during a very difficult period so as to provide needed access for attorneys and the public.

Judge Chuck Simmons
Greenville County Courthouse

Advertisements

For rent: two large offices in beautiful historic home at 712 E. Washington Street. Conference room and copier available for both offices. \$700/month for one office; \$600/month with room for clerical person for the other. Can be rented separately or combined. Rent includes cleaning. Non-smoking and compatible environment. Call Doug Churdar at 233-0203.

Office space for rent—512 East North Street, Excellent parking, sharing, fax, copier, law library in walking distance of County Courthouse. Call Jim Calmes at 233-6224 for appointment and/or details.

For rent—office space in the Historic Davenport Apartments, corner of Church and Washington Streets, across from the Federal Courthouse. This space is ideal for attorneys and is the only office space allowed within the Davenport. Convenient parking is available. Contact Bud Babb at 242-6360 to discuss your space needs, rates, to view the office space, etc.

Offices for rent—3 downstairs and 2 upstairs. Conference room, copier, fax and postage machines available. Ready by April 2, 2004. Rent negotiable. Contact 467-0100/230-8540.

Near Courthouse—408 N. Church Street. Offices, amenities, parking. Please call Stephen Yacobi— 242-3271 or Denby Davenport 242-5548.

For Lease: Several professional offices available along with shared facilities. 100 Williams St. at Pettigru. Call 250-2273

Office building available for rent at 10 Brookside Circle. Call Jim Sarratt or Bill Clarke at 271-4100.

Office space for rent—Contact Kimberly Dunham or Stacy Greene at (864) 282-8686.

Office space available at 101 E. Camperdown Way. Call Rebecca or Tammy at 864-370-9771.

Office space available: 33 Wade Hampton Blvd., Greenville. \$650 per month. Call Cindy at 271-6371..

Pettigru Area—Lawyer and secretary offices, ample parking, shared operational areas. \$550 per month, utilities included except phones. Call 271-4360.

Office Suite for Lease—Approximately 288 sq. feet of lease space available, reception area and one office. Prestigious downtown location with easy access to all downtown Courthouses. Free parking and easy access to I-385. Utilities include power and water. Access to two conferences rooms. Available of wireless/DSL Internet. Call John at 242-1114.

Announcements

Carl Hicks elected to the South Carolina Bar House of Delegates

Cari Hicks, attorney at Leatherwood Walker Todd & Mann, P.C., was recently elected to serve in the South Carolina Bar House of Delegates when the Bar's Board of Governors decided to expand the number of representatives. Mrs. Hicks now sits as a representative of attorneys in the 13th Judicial Circuit in the House of Delegates. Mrs. Hicks practices in the areas of Litigation, Insurance and Tort Litigation, Products Liability, Transportation, and Appellate Litigation.

Thomas Christina Is Appointed to U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Employee Benefits Committee

The United States Chamber of Commerce recently named Thomas Christina of Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C. to its Employee Benefits Committee. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business federation representing more than three million businesses and organizations of every size, sector and region. The Employee Benefits Committee is responsible for developing the chamber's policy recommendations on all worker benefit issues such as health care, pension and retirement plans, public programs such as Social Security and Medicare and other employer-provided benefits. The committee also oversees the chamber's response to employee benefit legislation pending before all congressional committees of jurisdiction in addition to its response to regulatory initiatives before administrative agencies.

Law Firms Pay Tribute to Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr.

Fourteen law firms in Greenville, South Carolina paid special tribute to the late Judge Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr. with a ceremonial unveiling of his portrait on Wednesday, June 8. The portrait will be hung in the Clement F.

Haynsworth, Jr. Federal Building in Greenville, South Carolina. More than two hundred family members, attorneys, judges, and friends attended the ceremony and reception held in the Knox Haynsworth Conference Center in the Ogletree Building located in downtown Greenville.

During the ceremony, one of Haynsworth's former law clerks and now Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals William W. Wilkins spoke on the strong character of the late judge. Wilkins said, "throughout his distinguished career over many years, Judge Haynsworth always followed and passed the test. In every opinion he wrote, in every ruling he made, in every judgment he handed down, he always was able to look in the mirror and honestly tell that person he saw there—I have done my duty. I have done my best."

Clement Furman Haynsworth, Jr. was born in Greenville, South Carolina in 1911, son of Clement Furman Haynsworth, Sr. and Elsie Hall Haynsworth. Upon graduating Summa Cum Laude from Furman University in 1933, Haynsworth went on to earn his law degree from Harvard University in 1936. He joined his family's law firm and became renowned in Greenville for his integrity both in and out of the law office. During World War II, Haynsworth actively served in the Navy. Following the war, President Eisenhower appointed Haynsworth to the Fourth United States Circuit Court of Appeals in 1957. He served on this court for thirty-two years, seventeen of which he served as the Chief Judge. Haynsworth wrote more than five hundred majority opinions. Although not elected to the position, he was also nominated by Richard Nixon in 1969 to serve on the United States Supreme Court. Known as a strong lawyer, fair judge, and loyal friend, Clement Furman Haynsworth, Jr. passed away on November 28, 1989.

The Greenville County Legal Auxiliary

invites you to a **Summer Supper**
at the home of Susan and Mark Stublely

Thursday, August 25, 2005
6:30 p.m.

Catering by Tommy's Ham House
Fried Chicken, Fresh Tomatoes, Homemade Desserts. . .

\$34/couple \$17/individual
For reservations/info. contact Charlotte Stilwell
at cwstilwell@charter.net or 244-2899

Prospective members are welcome!

Legal Staff Professionals Report

Legal Staff Professionals of Greenville has had a very busy summer. Thank you to our speaker Vernon Dunbar of Turner Padgett who gave an informative program on workers compensation issues. His presentation was very well received and we were glad to have him and his assistant, Jeanie McDade, with us last month.

The speaker for our August meeting has not yet been determined, but please check our website at www.lspg.org for updated information.

By popular demand, Public Defender John Mauldin will return in September. He recently spoke regarding his philosophy of defending everyone's rights, every time he enters the courthouse. We felt this issue needed more time than was available that day and wanted to hear more on this important topic. Please join us for this meeting on September 21, 2005, at 12:30 at the Poinsett Club.

Also, the certification training we have been promoting IS com-

ing. The software development has been delayed, but completion is right around the corner and we will be ready to set the dates for our study course as soon as the software arrives. Again, please check www.lspg.org for updates and other information.

Keep these upcoming events in mind as well:

- Probate Court Seminar - September 30 (see the registration form in this edition of GBar News)
- Certification Course - To be announced - check website for updated information
- State Membership meeting - January 2006
- Fashion Show - February 2006

LSPG extends an invitation to all legal staff to join us on the third Wednesday of each month at 12:30 at the Poinsett Club. The next meeting date is August 17, 2005. Reservations may be made by contacting Myra Culbertson at mculbertson@wcsr.com or (864) 239-5959.

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