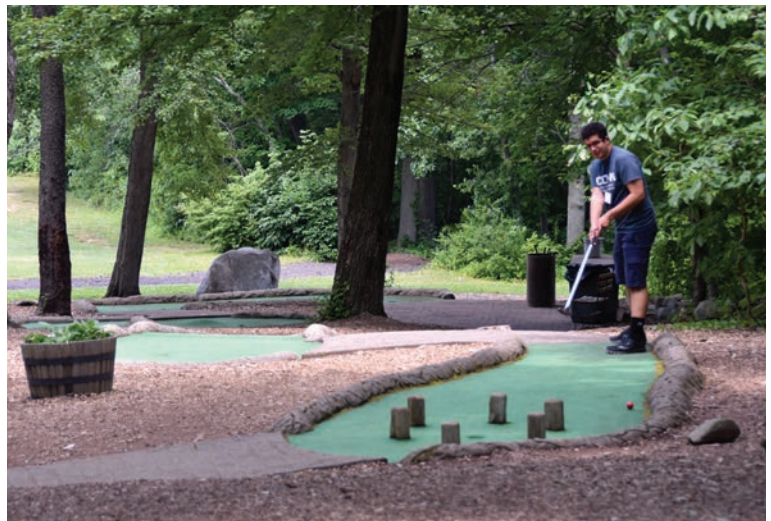


News & Events

CBA Members, Family, and Friends ANNUAL SUMMER OUTING



On Sunday, June 26, over 240 CBA members, officers, and past presidents and their family and friends enjoyed a summer outing at Holiday Hill in Prospect. Those in attendance enjoyed cotton candy, ice cream truck treats, and a picnic lunch. There were pony rides, mini-golf, kayaking, canoes, basketball, softball, yard games, bingo, and a rock-climbing wall. Many families that spent the day enjoyed the pool and activities. We plan to hold the annual outing again next year in June 2023.

Upcoming Education Calendar

Register at ctbar.org/CLE

OCTOBER

13 Un-Ringing the Bell: Diagnosis and Treatment in Concussion and Brain Injury

Saint Clements Castle

14 IOLTA/Law Office Management*

Grassy Hill Country Club

19 Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Summit: The Collaborative Blueprint*

Webinar

27 Federal Practice Bench Bar Conference

Saint Clements Castle

**Ethics credit available*

NOVEMBER

4 Raising the Bar: Bench-Bar Symposium on Professionalism*

Waterbury Courthouse

8 Education Law

Webinar

10 2022 5th Annual Connecticut Bankruptcy Conference*

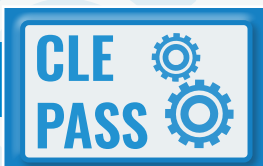
Saint Clements Castle

16 Legal Entrepreneur Conference*

Grassy Hill Country Club

18 Practice, Procedures, and Protocols in Connecticut Courts

Grassy Hill Country Club



CLE Pass Eligible

OCTOBER

18 Connecting the Dots in Civ & Crim Justice: Protecting People by Focusing on Animal Abuse

Webinar

25 An Introduction to the Practice of Criminal Law in Connecticut

Webinar

NOVEMBER

28 Solo/Small Firm

Webinar

DECEMBER

6 Insurance Law and Construction Law

Webinar

13 Business Law

Webinar

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CBA Hosts 2022 LAW Camp for High School Students

The CBA hosted the 2022 LAW Camp virtually over the week of July 11-15. LAW Camp exposes high school students to the legal profession and gives them instruction on critical and analytical thinking to help them succeed in their educational and professional careers. During the camp, high school students were taught about different aspects of pursuing a legal career, observed a federal court jury trial, and participated in several mock lawyer exercises. Thirteen students attended the camp and 22 attorneys and law students volunteered as presenters, panelists, and coaches throughout the week.

The students were introduced to the LAW Camp with welcoming remarks from CBA President Daniel J. Horgan, who told the students, "This week is going to be so important for you to decide what kind of path you're going to choose in



college and beyond. The skills you're going to learn this week, like public speaking and thinking on your feet, will help you in life. The things I learned in law school about being proud of yourself and carrying things all the way through has helped me to this day."

Throughout the camp, the students joined Zoom sessions led by CBA members. Past President Karen DeMeola and other volunteers presented on their personal journeys through college and law school and discussed how people of diverse backgrounds and educational experiences can pursue a path to success in the field of law. The students learned about basic legal concepts; the roles that lawyers, judges, and juries play in court proceedings; and the various careers paths that are open to attorneys. Halfway through the week, the students were able to virtually observe a criminal jury trial in federal court. During the trial break, Senior United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut Janet Bond Arterton, spoke with the students to explain the trial processes that took place.


Along with hearing presentations from CBA volunteers, the students also participated in activities by role playing as lawyers and conducting mock direct and cross examinations and participating in a closing argument competition. For the competition, which closed out the week, the students each prepared a closing argument with mentoring by volunteer attorneys. During the final round of the competition, CBA President-Elect Margaret I. Castinado chose a winner from the four finalists and provided closing remarks to the students, congratulating them on their participation in the camp and efforts in the competition.

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as principals of the firm



Alison L. Broad



Andrew I. Schaffer

Alison will continue to represent firm clients in our estate planning and probate practice, focusing on the transfer, protection and preservation of assets through tax and estate planning, and the probating of decedents' estates. Alison will also continue her family law practice which includes divorce, custody, visitation, alimony, child support, pre-nuptial agreements, post judgment enforcement of court orders, modifications and mediations. Alison is a graduate of University of Connecticut (Magna Cum Laude, 2005) and Quinnipiac University School of Law (Magna Cum Laude, 2010).

Andrew has been practicing law in New Haven County for over 25 years. He will continue to concentrate his practice in domestic relations focusing on divorce, custody, visitation, alimony, child support, pre-nuptial agreements, post judgment enforcement of court orders and modifications. Andrew serves as a Special Master in domestic cases, and is a certified mediator. He also represents clients in Juvenile and Probate Courts. He is a member of the Connecticut Bar Association and currently serves as co-chair of the New Haven County Bar Association Family Law Section. He serves on the Woodbridge Board of Assessment Appeals and has served his community as a member of various other Woodbridge and New Haven area boards and commissions.

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CBA Hosts July 2022 Free Legal Advice Clinic

On July 26 and 27, the Connecticut Bar Association (CBA) Pro Bono Committee and Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut held a virtual Free Legal Advice Clinic where 22 volunteer attorneys met with 41 clients over Zoom meetings. Prior to the clinic, 16 volunteer paralegal and law students completed client intake forms and asked follow-up questions to help the attorneys prepare for the meetings and provide the best possible legal advice.

On the days of the clinic, the volunteer attorneys provided free legal guidance to the clients. Most of the client meetings that took place during the clinic covered topics involving family law or landlord/tenant issues.

Thank you to all those who volunteered at this important event that supports the public's access to legal representation. The CBA's next Free Legal Advice Clinic will be held on October 25 and 26 from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Learn more at ctbar.org/freelegaladviceclinics.

IN MEMORIAM



Frank H. Finch, Jr., president of the CBA during the 1998-1999 bar year, passed away on July 23. Originally born in Minnesota and raised in Urbana, IL, Frank H. Finch, Jr. earned his BA from Harvard College in 1953 and his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1959. That same year, he was admitted to practice in the State of Connecticut and joined the law firm of Howd & Lavieri LLP in Winsted. He was later admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut and the United States Supreme Court. From 1961-1978, he served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Connecticut state courts on a part-time basis. Eventually, he gained partnership at the firm currently known as Howd Lavieri and Finch LLP. Attorney Finch represented a wide variety of clients with a special focus on corporate and business law cases. In total, his active tenure at Howd Lavieri and Finch LLP spanned seven decades.

Attorney Finch became active in the CBA in 1959. He represented the CBA in the American Bar Association's House of Delegates for many years prior to serving as our association's president. In addition to his positions with the CBA, he also served as president of the Litchfield County Bar Association and was a James W. Cooper Fellow of the Connecticut Bar Foundation. In 1987, he became a Connecticut trial referee. He also served as chairman of the Litchfield County Standing Committee on Recommendation for Admission to the Bar. In 2000, Attorney Finch was appointed to the chief justice's Civil Commission, and in 2001, he was appointed to the Federal Court Grievance Committee. Through his career and many professional achievements, Attorney Finch proved himself to be a successful and conscientious leader of the Connecticut legal community.

CBA DELEGATION ATTENDS AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

A delegation from the Connecticut Bar Association (CBA) attended the American Bar Association (ABA) 2022 Annual Meeting in Chicago from August 3-9. Those attending included CBA President Daniel J. Horgan, CBA President-Elect Margaret I. Castinado, Cindy M. Cieslak, Dana M. Hrelac, and Daniel A. Schwartz. During the annual meeting they attended various events and the delegation voted on resolutions as part of the ABA's House of Delegates. During the annual meeting, where retired U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Stephen G. Breyer received the 2022 ABA Medal, CBA President Horgan and President-Elect Castinado were able to meet Justice Breyer in-person.



(L to R) President-Elect Margaret I. Castinado, retired US Supreme Court Associate Justice Stephen G. Breyer, and President Daniel J. Horgan.

Young Lawyers Section Leaders Attend Annual Leadership Retreat and Receive Service Awards

The Connecticut Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section (YLS) hosted its annual leadership retreat on August 12-13 at Foxwoods Casino in Ledyard. The YLS Executive Committee holds this event each summer to familiarize new members of the committee with the duties of their leadership roles and to present awards to members of the committee for their service during the previous bar year.

During the retreat, Connecticut Supreme Court Justice Joan K. Alexander presented the keynote to the YLS leadership, focusing on the importance of the rule of law and professional conduct. "I remind you that the most effective advocacy is not the result of tone and theatrics but is advanced from a solid understanding of the issues at stake," stated Justice Alexander, as she emphasized how attorneys must always remember to act with respect and civility.

After the keynote speech, 12 YLS Executive Committee members received awards for their service during the 2021-2022 bar year.

"Last year I had the pleasure of serving as chair and the year's successes could not have been had without all of the hard work and dedication that the [YLS] Executive Committee put in," stated Joshua J. Devine, 2021-2022 YLS chair. "While I am here today to present awards to a few [YLS] Executive

Committee members who went above and beyond. I must say it was very difficult to select the award recipients because I truly believe all the [YLS] Executive Committee members put in 110 percent, and I want to again thank and recognize everyone who served last year."

Leadership Award

Josiah Tyler Butts, Robinson+Cole, earned a leadership award for organizing several CLE and non-CLE events, including a revamped YLS pro bono outing.

John M. Russo, Jr., State of Connecticut—Office of the Attorney General, received a leadership award for recruiting several new members to the YLS Executive Committee and organizing a successful holiday party, where the YLS made a sizeable contribution to Project ALS.

Rookie of the Year Award

Alexander R. Cox, Locke Lord LLP, received a Rookie of the Year Award for his exemplary service on the YLS Executive Committee and for organizing three CLE programs for the YLS.

Andrew J. Glass, Karsten & Tallberg LLC, earned a Rookie of the Year Award for his work on the YLS Executive Committee and as YLS committee chair of Federal Practice.

Star of the Year Award

Jermaine A. Brookshire, Jr., Wiggin and Dana LLP, and **Colleen M. Garlick**, Hassett & Donnelly PC, each earned a Star of the Year Award for their service as CLE directors for the YLS.

Vianca T. Malick, Diana Conti & Tunilla LLP, received a Star of the Year Award for her service as YLS secretary, successfully launching the YLS newsletter, as well as both participating in and tracking the YLS Executive Committee's total pro bono and volunteer hours earned throughout the 2021-2022 bar year.

Christopher R. Henderson, Berchem Moses PC, garnered a Rookie of the Year Award for his service as YLS committee chair of Labor and Employment and organizing a successful CLE program for the YLS Section.

Volunteer of the Year Award

Caroline Boisvert, Axinn Veltrop & Harkrider LLP; **Sara Dickson**, UnitedHealthcare; **Ronald J. Houde, Jr.**, Ouellette Deganis Gallagher & Grippe LLC; and **Kara Zarchin**, Day Pitney LLP, received Volunteer of the Year Awards for collectively providing over 275 hours of pro bono and public service work during the 2021-2022 bar year.



(L to R) CBA President Daniel J. Horgan, 2021-2022 YLS Chair Joshua J. Devine, Connecticut Supreme Court Justice Joan K. Alexander, 2022-2023 YLS Chair Christopher Klepps, YLS Chair-Elect Sara J. Dickson, YLS Treasurer Vianca T. Malick, and YLS Secretary Trent LaLima



CBA Welcomes New Director of Diversity and Human Resources

The Connecticut Bar Association is pleased to announce the addition of David Nanner as its new Director of Diversity and Human Resources as of September 12.

David comes to us from Webster Bank, where he worked in the Human Resources Department. His experience included creating and facilitating all DE&I workshops and coaching and developing for all new hires. David also helped create and build all DE&I employee resource groups.

David sits as president on the board of directors for Connecticut Theatre Company in New Britain, where he helps educate and inspire the community. He attended Philadelphia Biblical University (Cairn University) where he studied Vocal Performance and Biblical Studies.

“I am thrilled to join the CBA team! I’m excited to be a part of such an amazing association. I look forward to working with all members and staff as a useful resource and partner. My hope is that all feel a true sense of belonging.”

PEERS AND CHEERS

Littler Mendelson has added **Paula N. Anthony** as a shareholder in its New Haven office. An advisor to clients in the private and public sectors, Attorney Anthony defends employers in litigation matters, mediations, and arbitrations.

Amy E. Markim has been elected a shareholder of **O’Sullivan McCormack Jensen & Bliss PC**. She is an experienced business advisor, litigator, and trial attorney.

Melicent B. Thompson, litigation partner at **Gfeller Laurie LLP**, has been elected as the firm’s managing partner. She has over 25 years of litigation experience in Connecticut and Georgia. Her insurance coverage practice encompasses all areas of coverage advice in both the first- and third- party contexts and related litigation services, including declaratory judgment actions, defense of bad faith claims and reinsurance matters.

Julie Jason, a seasoned investment counsel and award-winning author, has released a new book for lawyers and their clients, *The Discerning Investor: Personal Portfolio Management in Retirement for Lawyers (and Their Clients)*, through the American Bar Association.

Namita Shah, partner and chair of the Private Equity and Finance Group at **Day Pitney LLP**, was selected as the recipient of the Cornerstone Award in recognition of her contributions to the South Asian Bar Association (SABA) and the South Asian legal community by SABA North America for 2022. The Cornerstone Award is given to an individual who exemplifies high achievement in one of more of the following: promoting the professional development of the South Asian legal community through networking, education, advocacy, and mentoring; ensuring the civil liberties of the South Asian community; serving the legal interests of the South Asian community and the community at large; or encouraging greater participation by the South Asian community in the legal profession or the government.

Joanne Butler and **Lori E. Romano** have joined **Cummings & Lockwood** as principals in the Private Clients Group. Attorney Butler, who is based in the Stamford office, has 23 years of experience developing estate planning strategies for individuals and families, as well as representing individual and corporate fiduciaries in all aspects of estate and trust administration. Attorney Romano, who is based in the Greenwich office, has 30 years of experience practicing in the areas of estate planning and estate and trust administration.

Wesley W. Horton and **Karen L. Dowd** have joined **McElroy Deutsch Mulvaney & Carpenter LLP**’s appellate practice group. Attorney Horton will serve as Of Counsel to the firm, and Attorney Dowd has joined as a partner. Both attorneys have decades of experience in appellate law, having argued, briefed, and/or consulted on scores of cases in the Connecticut Appellate and Supreme Courts, the United States Supreme Court, and the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

This spring, eight CBA members graduated from the 2022 Connecticut Professionals’ Leadership Academy: **Jenna Cutler**, Wiggins and Dana LLP; **Theresa Rose DeGray**, Consumer Legal Services LLC; **Vianca T. Malick**, Diana Conti & Tunila LLP; **Nia Chung Srodoski**, Law Office of Nia Chung Srodoski; **Erin O’Neil-Baker**, O’Neil Baker Law LLC; **Nicholas Ouellette**, Kuriem Ouellette LLC; **Robert M. Yeager**, Gorman Herrmann and Menard PC; **James B. Zimmer**, Jacobs Walker Rice & Barry LLC. The program is designed to strengthen leadership skills, develop and build relationships, and create a collaborative professional services community; it brings together professionals from various industries and backgrounds, including accounting and finance, law, insurance and architecture. ■

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