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The Young Lawyers Section (YLS) held their annual holiday party on December 5, which took the form of an ugly sweater holiday bash at Stony Creek Brewery in Branford. A total of \$1,500 collected from the event was donated to the Women's Center in Bloomfield, which provides compassionate abortion care and reproductive health services.

"The YLS Holiday Party is an annual event allowing YLS members to have fun, network, and promote our public service/pro bono objectives," stated YLS Chair Christopher Klepps. "This year, we are pleased to have raised \$1,500 to the Women's Center in Bloomfield. Huge thank you to Vianca Malick, Jermaine Brookshire, Mike Curley, Virginia Gillette, and Kevin Brignole for organizing such a great event."

Additionally, throughout the month of November, the YLS hosted its annual Horn of Plenty Fundraiser. Donations were raised through Connecticut Foodshare's annual "Turkey and Forty" campaign, which collects funds and food to provide Thanksgiving meals to families throughout the state and help support the organization's year-round efforts. This year the YLS collected monetary donations online and raised a total of \$1,085, surpassing their intended target of \$1,000. "Thanks to the generosity of CBA members and their friends and family, the 2022 Horn of Plenty Food Drive was an unqualified success," stated YLS Public Service/Pro Bono Directors Logan A. Carducci and Benjamin Schimelman. "Participants continued a proud tradition of supporting the Connecticut Foodshare's mission to deliver an informed and equitable response to hunger by raising over \$1,000. Connecticut Foodshare is uniquely suited to make a meaningful impact through its network of food pantries, meal programs, and mobile distribution sites."

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CT Free Legal Answers Comes to Campus Event

CBA and UConn School of Law Collaborate for Pro Bono Event

The Connecticut Bar Association (CBA) and UConn School of Law jointly hosted a CT Free Legal Answers Comes to Campus Event, held at the UConn School of Law campus, on November 4. CBA volunteers and law students worked as a team to provide free legal assistance to 13 Connecticut residents with low or no income.

At the start of the event, CBA President Daniel J. Horgan, CBA President-Elect Margaret I. Castinado, and UConn Law School Dean Eboni Nelson emphasized how attorneys and law students can use their training, knowledge, and experience to help others. Fifteen law students, with the help of five CBA attorney mentors, responded to legal questions posted to the CT Free Legal Answers website by individuals in need. The volunteer attorneys who participated in the event included Sara J. Dickson, Brian J. Glenn, Vianca T. Malick, Megan Maynard, and David M. Moore. The CBA volunteers mentored the attending law students, helped them work through the process of providing legal guidance, and reviewed their final responses to the public's questions. The law students benefitted from the opportunity to provide real world help to those who otherwise lack legal assistance. The CBA values its partnership with the UConn School of Law and looks forward to future collaborations.





Above: (L to R) CBA President-Elect Margaret I. Castinado and CBA President Daniel J. Horgan with UConn School of Law Director of Field Placement and Pro Bono Programs Rachel Reeves, who helped organize the event and recruited student volunteers.

CBA President Daniel J. Horgan

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John Arthur Berman passed away on October 25, 2022 at the age of 90. He received a BA from Wheaton College (IL) and his JD from

UConn School of Law. Attorney Berman was a general practitioner in his early years of law practice and subsequently became a probate lawyer. Most recently, he practiced in the areas of probate law, estate settlement, and mediation at his firm Berman Mickelson Dembo & Jacobs LLC. He was a volunteer para judicial officer (mediator) for the U.S. District Court, District of Hartford, he was a member of the Connecticut General Assembly's Judiciary Committee, and he served as a Special Master with the Hartford Superior Court Mediation Panel. Attorney Berman served as Corporation Counsel for West Hartford and as a probate judge in West Hartford from 1983 to 2002. He was a member of the CBA's Estates and Probate and Alternative Dispute Resolution Sections.

Robert Henry Boynton passed away on October 16, 2022 at the age of 82. He attended Duquesne University and the New England School of Law, before returning to his hometown of Milford to start his law career. He was a lifelong and dedicated member of the Milford community, and gave back through his work on the Board of Bridges.

Frank J. Brown passed away on August 19, 2022 at the age of 88. He earned his BS from UConn and his JD from Boston University Law School. He practiced general service cases for 62 years. Attorney Brown, who was born with cerebral palsy, held many great accomplishments both professionally and personally. He never wanted to be

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treated as someone sick and always rose to challenges throughout his life.

David Carl Erdos

passed away on August 16, 2022. He graduated from Brooklyn College, received his MBA from Columbia

Business School, and joined the Exxon Corporation in finance, during which time he attended St. John's Law School. After receiving his law degree, Attorney Erdos was appointed counsel for Exxon Office Systems. He went on to open his own law office in Stamford, where he practiced for decades. Attorney Erdos was admitted to the bars of Connecticut, New York, Florida, and the US Supreme Court. **Frederick J. Mullen, Jr.** passed away on November 10, 2022. He graduated from Yale University and the University of Virginia



Law School. Attorney Mullen joined the Hartford law firm Reid and Riege PC and built a career in trusts and estates that spanned over four and a half decades. He received many recognitions for his professional skills and dedication to clients. He was actively involved in the Connecticut Bar Association, a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, and a member of the Estate and Business Planning Council of Hartford and American Bar Association.

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CBA HOSTS 2022 PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWS DINNER

On December 8, the Connecticut Bar Association hosted this year's Presidential Fellows Dinner at Grassy Hill Country Club in Orange.

The 2021-2023 and 2022-2024 Presidential Fellows were joined by past presidential fellows and leaders of the CBA for

dinner and a panel presentation provided by CBA past presidents Hon. Cecil J. Thomas and Amy Lin Meyerson and presidential fellows program alumni Emily Gianquinto, Cody Guarnieri, and Kyle LaBuff.

CBA President Daniel J. Horgan initiated the evening's proceedings and CBA Presidential Fellows Committee Chair Bridget Gallagher introduced each of the panelists. President Horgan and Attorney Gallagher then took turns asking questions of the panel regarding the importance of the Presidential Fellows program and the opportunities offered by increased participation in and involvement with the bar association.

When asked what leadership skills he developed or improved through the program, Attorney

Echoing many of the panelists' comments on the importance of teamwork, President Horgan ended this portion of the program by stating, "As all the panelists have said, there is no "I" in team and that's essentially what we're saying. We're all examples of that, whether it's with the CBA, our law firms, our



The 2022-2024 Presidential Fellows, Shanique Fenlator and Allison Kaas.

LaBuff pointed to the connections he had made with other bar members. "To be able to be a leader and make an effective leader, you have to know the landscape, you have to know the people, and you have to listen to them, and this program nearly forces you to do that," he stated. employers, or our families. We can do a lot when we all row in the same direction."

Following the Q&A segment, President Horgan introduced the two new 2022-2024 presidential fellows, Shanique Fenlator and Allison Kaas, who each shared their past experi-



ences and reasons for applying to the program. Attorney Fenlator is currently an associate with Freeman Mathis & Gary LLP in Hartford and Attorney Kaas serves as a housing prosecutor for the State of Connecticut Division of Criminal Justice.

The CBA Presidential Fellows Program was launched in 2015 as a prestigious leadership development program for the future leaders of the Connecticut legal profession. New Presidential Fellows are selected each year and assigned to the executive committee of a sponsoring CBA section. Graduates of the program have gone on to hold prominent leadership positions within the Connecticut Bar Association and the Connecticut legal community at large.