



GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

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December Notes N' News

2024

GCBA Senior Attorneys

The GCBA Senior luncheon will be Thursday, December 12, 2024, 12 noon, at Redwood Lodge, located at 5304 Gateway Centre Blvd., off Hill Rd., close to US 23 and I-75. Lunch will be selected from the menu and may be ordered and paid for individually. All attorneys and their guests are welcome, regardless of age. Let us know if you are coming. RSVP to gcba@gcbalaw.org.

Luncheon



Barristers Ball Committee

We're excited to start planning the 2025 Barristers Ball! If you'd like to be a part of the planning committee and help, make this event unforgettable, please email tyb@gcbalaw.org. We'd love to have your ideas and energy on board! If you previously served on the committee and would like to continue please let us know as well.

Grand Blanc Living Magazine

Grand Blanc Living, a local magazine for Grand Blanc residents, has given the GCBA space for an article monthly at no charge. We are in need of volunteers to contribute articles for Grand Blanc Living Magazine. This is a positive and free way to promote the Association as well as our members. Articles can be on any subject except for Estate Planning and Business Law (a local attorney has the exclusive ability to write on those two subjects.) Length: 500 words max. If you are interested please email me at tyb@gcbalaw.org for more details.

Address Change

Have you recently moved? Changed your address? Be sure to update your information with the GCBA. Complete the attached form and fax to 810-232-8310 or email to tyb@gcbalaw.org.

We Don't Know if You Don't Tell Us!



Please email gcba@gcbalaw.org to notify us of any special achievement, birth announcement, significant anniversary, change of address, retirement, or death notice (immediate family only) so we may share the information with our members.

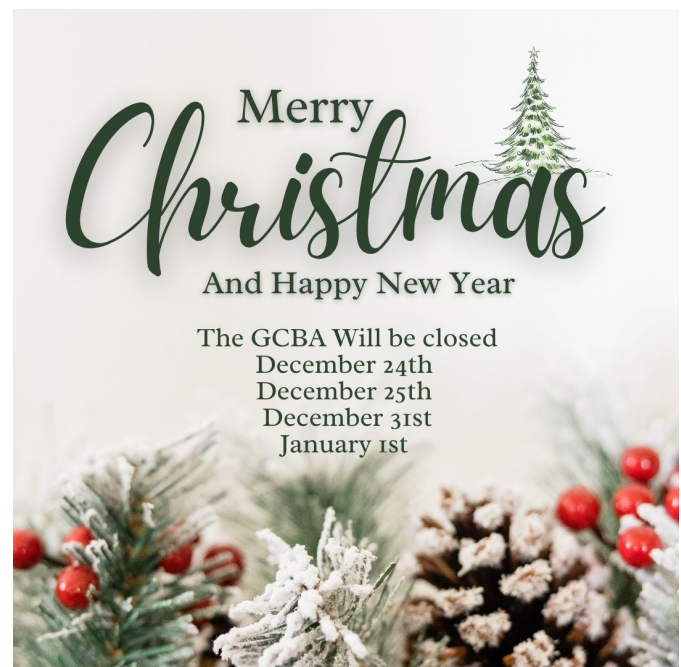
Case Evaluation

Thank you to **Amy DeNise, Paul Goyette, Samantha Orvis, Timothy Ruwart, and Jerome Winegarden** for donating their Case Evaluation late fees, which are placed in a restricted building account.

Bar Beat

Bar Beat is looking for contributing writers for our quarterly publication. We need you - our valued members - to talk about what is happening in your practice area! We are a diverse group; please tell your story, share your experiences, and keep our association interactive.

If you like to write and have something to say- get in touch! We can help you choose a topic as well as assist you in the writing process. Email your article to gcba@gcbalaw.org. *Julie Winkfield, Bar Beat Editor*



Courthouse Square Centennial Arts Project

Thanks to the following who have made a donation to the Courthouse Square Centennial Arts Projects. It's not too late to donate. See the enclosed flyer for donation details.

Platinum - \$2,500

Alex and George Hamo, Hamo Law Firm • Henneke, Fraim & Dawes • Barbara Menear Nickola • Jeremy Piper*

Gold - \$1,000

Carl & Karen Bekofske • Cline, Cline, & Griffin, P.C. • Elias J. Fanous • Garan Lucow Miller, P.C. • Jakeway, Jakeway & Jakeway, P.C. • Prosecutor David & Therese Leyton • Mead & Stout PLLC • Robert J. MacDonald

Silver - \$500

C. Robert Beltz • Michael W. Krellwitz • Kirk M. Liebengood

Bronze Donor - \$250

Heather Burnash • Victor Farah • Hon. Geoffrey L. Neithercut • Hon. David J. Newblatt

Friends - \$50

Hon. Celeste D. Bell • Jeffrey L. Birrell • John Mandelaris • Hon. Brian S. Pickell • Glenn M. Simmington

Make checks payable to: Genesee County Bar Foundation, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502

*donation in excess of \$2,500



Neithercut Legal Education Fund



The Neithercut Fund of the Genesee County Bar Foundation is committed to the continuing legal education of our members who are either sole practitioners or members of law firms. This year the Foundation has increased the scholarship benefits for our members. The Board of the Foundation policy is to encourage seminar participation.

Beginning December 1, 2020 and until further notice, the Neithercut Fund of the Genesee County Bar Foundation will now pay for 60% of the cost of tuition per attorney per year, not to exceed \$500 per Attorney per year, to any

- Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) Seminar of the State Bar of Michigan (SBM);
- American Bankruptcy Institute;
- Federal Bar Association Bankruptcy Section;
- Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan; and
- Michigan Defense Trial Counsel.

This is not a need-based scholarship but a benefit available to every member whether they pay for their CLE or it is paid by their firm or partnership.

Details on the grant can be found [here](#). To take advantage of this opportunity please contact GCBA/GCBF Executive Director Tatilia "Tina" Burroughs at 810-232-6000 or by email at tyb@gcbalaw.org. This grant program can be discontinued at such time as the Foundation Board determines.

The Neithercut Legal Education Fund was founded with gifts from Edward J. Neithercut, long-time Flint lawyer.



COURTHOUSE SQUARE CENTENNIAL ARTS PROJECT



The Historic Genesee County Courthouse 1926-2026

WHAT: The Genesee County Bar Foundation and the Genesee County Circuit Court have committed to erect a monumental size symbol of the law on the Courthouse Square in a location to be approved by the Genesee County Board of Commissioners.

WHEN: To be formally dedicated September 2026.

WHERE: Courthouse Square

WHO: The Greater Flint Arts Council (GFAC) will join as a collaborating partner to assist with solicitations for proposals and project management.

FUNDING: The GCBF established the *Courthouse Square Centennial Arts Project Fund* with a contribution of \$30,000 from the McGregor Trust Funds, to honor the legal profession and uphold the highest level of professionalism in the community.

The Courthouse Square Project completed in 2003, featured a 3-day celebration of public events with a ticketed gala evening event, raising funds to support ongoing maintenance of the restored Courthouse. The Chief Judge authorized \$30,000 of the privately raised funds to be set aside for this project.

Fundraising Goal: \$100,000.

Sponsors will receive recognition in a prominently displayed location on the Courthouse Square.

Platinum

minimum donation \$2500

Gold

minimum donation \$1,000

Silver

minimum donation \$500

Bronze

minimum donation \$250

Friends

minimum donation \$50

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Genesee County Bar Foundation

315 E. Court St.

Flint, MI 48502



67th DISTRICT COURT GENESEE COUNTY

Honorable Vikki Bayeh Haley
Honorable William H. Crawford II
Honorable David J. Goggins
Honorable G. David Guinn
Honorable Jessica J. Hammon

630 S. SAGINAW ST., FLINT, MI 48502
CENTRAL COURT – 810-257-3170
FIFTH DIVISION – 810-766-8968

WILLIAM H. CRAWFORD – CHIEF JUDGE
VIKKI BAYEH HALEY – CHIEF JUDGE PRO TEM
CHRISTAL JONES – COURT ADMINISTRATOR

Honorable Jennifer J. Manley
Honorable Herman Marable Jr.
Honorable Tabitha M. Marsh
Honorable Mark C. McCabe
Honorable Christopher R. Odette

CLOSING FOR STAFF MEETING and EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

Administrative Order 2024-07

IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to MCR 8.110(C), that these specific divisions of the 67th District Court will be closed for staff meeting and employee recognition luncheon on the following dates and times:

- 67-1st Division (Flushing) – Friday, December 20, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
- 67-2A Division (Davison) – Friday, December 6, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
- 67-2B Division (Burton) -Thursday, December 19, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
- 67-3rd Division (Mt. Morris) – Friday, December 20, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
- 67-4A Division (Fenton) – Monday, December 16, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
- 67-4B Division (Grand Blanc) - Wednesday, December 18, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
- 67-5th Division (Flint) & Central - Friday, December 20, 2024 @ 2:00 pm

All other 67th District Court locations will be open for business for anyone wishing to file papers or make payments.

All in-custody arraignments and emergency matters (including emergency filings) will be conducted while the court's business offices are closed to the public.

Notice of the court closure and how emergency matters and filings shall be accomplished during the closing shall be given to the public, the court's funding unit, and other affected agencies and officials. Notice shall include a sign posted at the court.

Date: 11/8/2024

William H. Crawford, II /s/
William H. Crawford II, Chief Judge



**JUDGE ODETTE IS
RETIRING!**
Please join us for
a celebration at
67th District Court



WHEN: FRIDAY, DEC 13TH

TIME: 12PM TO 2PM

WHERE: MCCREE BUILDING, COURTROOM A

**Happy
Retirement**



Genesee County Bar Association &
Centennial American Inn of Court

HOLIDAY PARTY 2024

Brickstreet of Grand Blanc

1223 E. Grand Blanc Rd.
Grand Blanc, MI 48439

DECEMBER

THURSDAY

19

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Cash Bar
Complimentary
hors d'oeuvres
Piano Bar & Sing-A-Long

Open to the Entire Legal
Community & Friends of the Legal
Community

Plan on attending?
Let us know 810-232-6000 or
gcba@gcbalaw.org





2024 Holiday Giving Project

Sponsored by the
Genesee County Bar Association &
Genesee County Bar Foundation

In lieu of our traditional Holiday Dinner we will continue our successful Holiday Giving Project. The Holiday Giving Project consists of serving meals catered by local, non-franchised restaurants to Carriage Town Ministries, Shelter of Flint, Whaley Children's Center, East Side Mission and the family residential programs at the YWCA and Salvation Army. Additionally, gifts will be purchased for each of these shelters residents from their Christmas wish list.

Please consider funding this year's effort by making a donation to the Genesee County Bar Foundation. We have established a fundraising goal for this project of \$19,000 to ensure its success.

	Categories of giving:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa and Mrs. Clause	\$1,500
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa's Village	\$1,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa's Workshop	\$500
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa's Helper	\$250
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa's Elf	\$150
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa's Chef	\$100
	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa's Reindeer	\$1-\$99

100% of your donation is spent on the Holiday Giving Project! The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Your gift is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

[To donate online click here.](#) To mail a donation send a check payable to the Bar Foundation to: 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502.



Name: _____

Donation Amount: _____

Phone: _____

Check #: _____

Email: _____



2024 Holiday Giving Project

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Goal \$19,000

Amount collected \$12,140

Thank you to our donors!

Santa & Mrs. Clause - \$1,500

Santa's Village - \$1,000

Hamo Law Firm
Mead and Stout PLLC

Santa's Workshop—\$500

Philip H. Beauvais, III
CF Legal PC
Cline, Cline, & Griffin, P.C.
Jo Robin Davis
Elias J. Fanous
Henneke, Fraim & Dawes, PC
Prosecutor David & Therese Leyton
Matthew Norwood
Simen, Figura & Parker, P.L.C

Santa's Helper - \$250

Duncan M. Beagle
Hon. Celeste D. Bell
William J. Brickley
Nancy Chinonis
Gregory Gibbs
Paul J. Goyette
Roger A. Isaac
Dennis R. Lazar
Robert J. MacDonald
I'Lanta Robbins
Barry A. Wolf

Santa's Elf - \$150

Hon. Anthony McDowell
Randall Petrides
Ashley Prew
Jeffrey Reem
Scott Stensaas
Michael A. Tesner
Anthony Tomaszewski
Angela N. Wheeler

Santa's Chef - \$100

Carolyn Boegner
Heather Burnash
Mitchell Dembo
Rachel Hawrylo
Judge-Elect Mary A. Hood
Jakeway, Jakeway & Jakeway, P.C.
Joel I. Kleiner
Michael Krellwitz
Byron F. Latter
Brian MacMillian
Alexandra Nassar
Samuel Ragnone
Tammy Reitano
Glenn Simmington
Erica Vicari

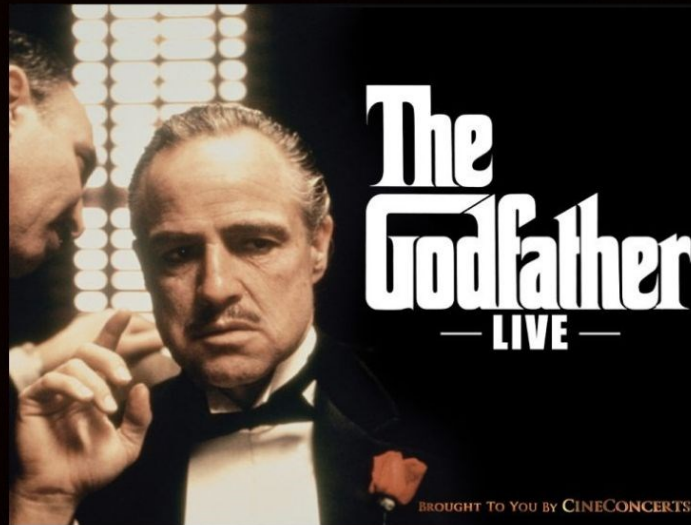
Santa's Reindeer - \$25

Julia Black & Associates
Dolores Coulter
Matthew D. Karr
LindaLee Massoud
Marc Morse
John Potbury
Qamar Stamos



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The Genesee County Bar Association
would like to make you an offer you can't
refuse. Please join us for this CineConcert.

Saturday, March 29, 2025
7:30 p.m.

Whiting Auditorium

1241 E. Kearsley St.
Flint, MI 48502

Tickets: \$50.50 per guest

Row X: Seats 105-116
Row Y: Seats 104-117
Row Z: Seats 103-116
Row AA: Seats 108-117

To purchase tickets contact
GCBA Executive Director Tatilia "Tina" Burroughs at
810-232-6000 ext. 101 or tyb@gcbalaw.org



**GENESEE COUNTY
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Sponsorship Opportunities Membership Meetings 2024-2025

Meeting Sponsor - \$350

- 6 ft. table at luncheon
- Introduction at luncheon
- Complimentary registration for two attendees
- Corporate logo on registration materials
- Recognition in Notes N' News

Dates are available on a first-come first-serve base. Please indicate your meeting date choice:

- ☐ November 18, 2024 ☐ January 27, 2025 ☐ February 24, 2025
☐ March 17, 2025 ☐ April 21, 2025 ☐ May 19, 2025



Beverage Sponsor - \$150

- Corporate logo on registration materials
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- ☐ November 18, 2024 ☐ January 27, 2025 ☐ February 24, 2025
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Dessert Sponsor - \$150

- Corporate logo on registration materials
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Dates are available on a first-come first-serve base. Please indicate your meeting date choice:

- ☐ ~~September 16, 2024~~ ☐ October 21, 2024 ☐ ~~November 18, 2024~~ ☐ ~~January 27, 2025~~
☐ ~~February 24, 2025~~ ☐ March 17, 2025 ☐ ~~April 21, 2025~~ ☐ May 19, 2025

☐ Yes, I will be Sponsor! Please indicate your sponsorship level above. Dates are available on a first-come first serve base.

Please list my company/name as: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Payment Information: Checks payable to the GCBA

☐ Check # _____ ☐ Amount \$ _____

Credit card information:

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express Charge my credit card for \$ _____

Credit Card Account #: _____ Exp. date: _____

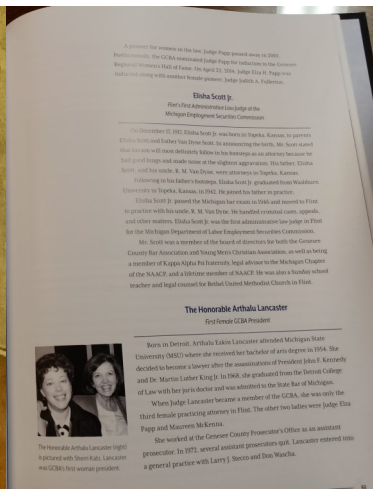
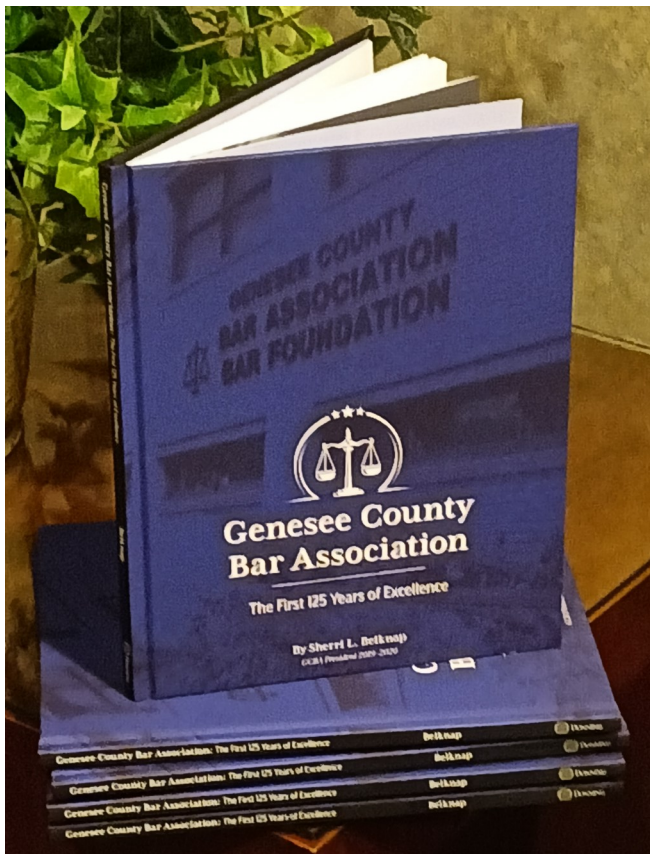
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Name as appears on card: _____

Billing address for the card: _____

Email your logo in
jpeg or pdf format to
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YOUR SPONSORSHIP IS NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE.



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THE FIRST 125 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE



On November 18 and 19, 1897, the Honorable George H. Durand and 64 other attorneys met to form the Genesee County Bar Association "to promote social intercourse among the members of the profession and to advance the best interests of the commonwealth by improving the administration of justice." This year, the Genesee County Bar Association celebrates 125 years. This book examines the events that shaped the association, the trailblazers, the awards, and the affiliations that helped it grow.

Price \$65.00

Genesee County Bar Association "Celebrating the First 125 Years of Excellence"

_____ I want to purchase a book. _____ # of books
 _____ I will pick up at the next Monthly Meeting. _____ I will pick up at GCBA Office.
 _____ Please ship the book. \$15 shipping and handling fee.

Payment Methods (Please circle one)

Cash Check Visa Mastercard AmEx

Name on card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Exp. Date: _____ CCV: _____

Billing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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