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March Notes N' News

2023

Welcome New Members

Welcome new members: **David B. Roth, Kyle Wallace**; Affiliate Member: **Erica Edgington**

Genesee County Bar Foundation

Thanks to **Carl Bekofske** for making a donation to the Foundation in memory of Robert Chimovitz and Jude Stewart Newblatt.

Donate to the Genesee County Bar Foundation by clicking [here](#).

FORE!

Hey GCBA golfers and golf fans. The annual Golf outing is right around the corner. The event will take place on June 12, 2023 at Flint Golf Club. Registration begins at 11 with lunch on the patio and shotgun start at 1 p.m. Get the date on your schedule, get your team together and get ready to have some fun.

Not a golfer, please come out and join us for the dinner and take part in the raffle of prizes after dinner.

As always we are looking for donations for the prizes, so ask a business client to donate, buy a gift certificate to your favorite restaurant and donate it to the GCBA to use at this event, or buy a scratch off lottery ticket and donate it to the GCBA and we will put all the tickets donated on 1 board for a raffle item. There are a lot of ways you can help, just use your imagination. Registration will be open soon!

U.S. Supreme Court Admission Ceremony

The Genesee County Bar Association is sponsoring a Swearing-in Ceremony at the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington D.C. on April 23, 2024. The admission ceremony is open to twelve (12) GCBA members and one guest on a first-come, first-serve basis. To be admitted to the Supreme Court you must be in good standing with the State Bar of Michigan and have practiced law for three years. Prior admittees are welcome to attend if there is space available. If you have any questions or are interested in attending please feel free to contact Tatilia Burroughs at the GCBA at (810) 232-6000 ext. 101 or tyb@gcbalaw.org. Sign-up will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

Case Evaluation

Thank you to **Ricky Carlson, Chris Ebbott, Mark Newman, Sean Siebigteroth, Jerome Winegarden, and Michael Winterfield** for donating their Case Evaluation late fees, which are placed in a restricted building account.

State Bar of Michigan - 50-Year Honorees

Congratulations to the following Genesee County Bar Association members who will be honored at the 50-Year Golden Celebration Luncheon to be held on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at Saint John's Resort in Plymouth: Dennis M. Haley, Stephen J. Hitchcock, Michael Krellwitz, Michael A. Mason, Samuel A. Ragnone, Michael J. Smith, and Steven F. Spender.

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.

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The new marketing campaign and website has launched. We encourage all members in need of marketing to participate. This program will go a long way to generating new clients for your practice, plus promote the use of local Attorneys. Those interested can call our program partner, Crossroads Marketing at (810) 654-0202 or email Preston Hards at Preston@crcminc.com.

Find The Right Lawyer, Right **HERE!**

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Attention, Experience, Results!

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; and
- Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan.

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.

John S. Beagle Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the John S. Beagle Scholarship established to assist students from Genesee County, Michigan with financial support while in their second or third level of law school. A minimum scholarship of \$5,000 will be awarded. The application deadline is May 1, 2023. Scholarship applications can be found [here](#).





*You are cordially invited to attend the
Investiture Ceremony
of*

JUDGE
Ariana Heath
IN THE
GENESEE COUNTY PROBATE COURT

..... MARCH
THURSDAY 16 AT 5 PM
..... 2023

FLINT GOLF CLUB
3100 LAKEWOOD DR.
FLINT, MI 48507

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW
PLEASE RSVP BY MARCH 10, 2023
BY CALLING (810) 257-3521

JUDGES, PLEASE BRING YOUR ROBES.

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FLY FISHING FILM TOUR

CAPITOL THEATER - FLINT
MARCH 16th

2023

6 PM



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TOUR INFO AND TICKETS AT FLYFILMTOUR.COM





Monthly Membership Meeting



Featuring

James W. Heath
President, State Bar of Michigan

March 20, 2023 • 12 noon
Flint Farmers' Market
Ramsdell Room
300 E. 1st St. • Flint, MI 48502

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: *Please print legibly*

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Payment Information: Checks payable to the GCBA

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RSVP Deadline:
March 15th

Registration Fees:

- ☐ Sustaining Member - Free
- ☐ GCBA Member - \$12
- ☐ Non-member - \$15
- ☐ Walk-ins - \$15
- ☐ Unpaid no-shows - \$15

Event Registration:

- ☐ February 27, 2023

Cancellation Policy:

No refunds for cancellations the day of the luncheon.



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BRIAN M. BARKEY COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD 2023 NOMINATING FORM

The Brian M. Barkey Community Service Award recognizes a GCBA attorney member or affiliate member who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community service and provided volunteer services to charitable, religious, civic, community, governmental or educational organizations which have improved Genesee County.

Criteria Guidelines:

The recipient has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community service by volunteering in the following ways:

- Community service hours which show a length and degree of the recipient's service and dedication to community service.
- All services provided must be voluntary, uncompensated, and not compelled.
- The recipient should serve as a role model for compassion, service, and strive to make the Genesee County community a better place.
- The recipient's actions have made a lasting or meaningful contribution to the community.

Name of Nominee: _____

Please explain why this nominee should be awarded the Brian M. Barkey Community Service Award.

Please list agency, organization, board or other charitable organization where the nominee performed community service and dates.

Nominated by: _____

Telephone number: _____ Date: _____

All nominees will be considered by the Genesee County Bar Association Professional Practice Committee who will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors. The award recipient will be recognized at the Bar Association's Annual Meeting and Election of Officers.

The deadline to respond is Friday, March 17, 2023, by 5:00 p.m. Please send this form to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502 or to our temporary fax (810) 355-2691.



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2023 HERBERT A. MILLIKEN, JR. CIVILITY AWARD NOMINATING FORM

Standard

The nominee is a long-time, practicing member of the Genesee County Bar Association who is recognized for the habit of offering professional guidance and advice to their fellow attorneys and being widely recognized as a professional role model who demonstrates the highest standards of professional courtesy and civility combined with a zealous and thorough advocacy on behalf of their clients.

For a list of past recipients please visit www.gcbalaw.org

Name of Nominee: _____

Please explain why this nominee should be awarded the 2023 Herbert A. Milliken, Jr. Civility Award:

Nominated by: _____

Telephone number: _____

Date: _____

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OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE

Shared office space for rent, including utilities and wifi.

\$500/month

5080 W. Bristol Road, Suite 4, Flint, 48507

Call or email Melissa at 810-600-1534
digilawmi@gmail.com



PRO BONO ATTORNEY OF THE MONTH FEBRUARY 2023

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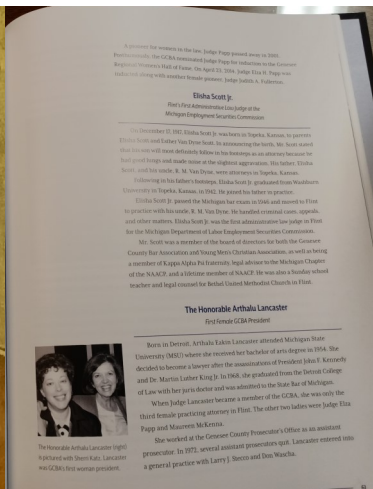
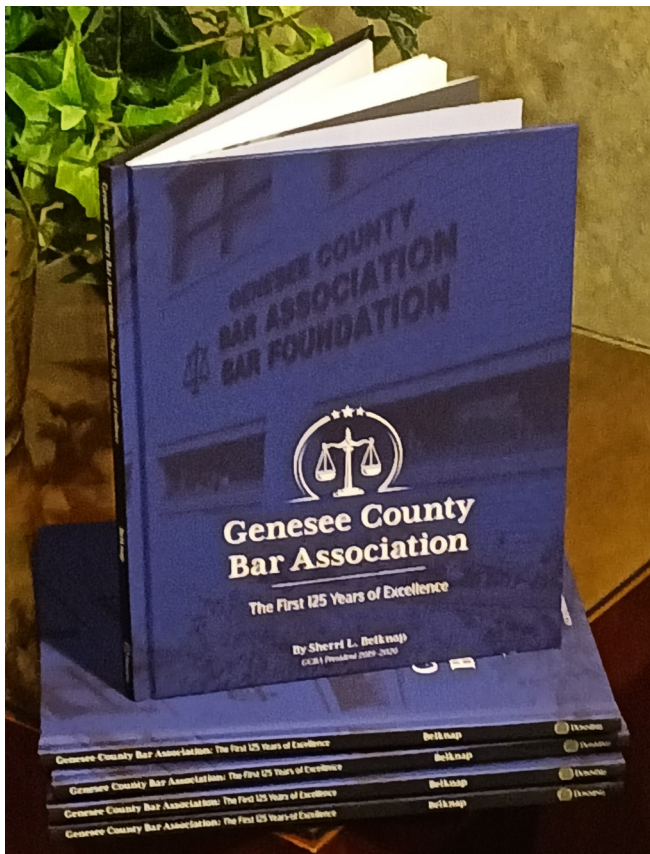
Legal Services of Eastern Michigan (LSEM) and the Pro Bono Committee of the Genesee County Bar Association (GCBA) are pleased to honor Alexandra Nassar as the February 2023 Pro Bono Attorney of the Month.

Alexandra Nassar attended the University of Michigan Flint for her undergraduate studies where she double majored in History and Political Science. Alexandra then worked in the Non-profit world for 3 years. She attended Thomas M. Cooley Law School, graduated Cum Laude in 2006, and completed an international law certificate program in Spain at William and Mary Law School in 2005. Alexandra's first legal job was with Judge Farah as an Intern and Law Clerk, then she clerked for Judge Weiss for approximately 1.5 years until she opened her own practice in Genesee County in September of 2008.

Alexandra Nassar specializes in Wills, Trusts and Estates, and Probate Law. As a lifelong member of the Greater Flint Community, she is dedicated to serving the community. Alexandra serves on the boards of the American Inns of Court, McLaren Regional Medical Center Bio-Ethics Committee, Genesee County Bar Association Membership Committee, and the Arab American Heritage Council. She was named a Rising Star by Michigan Super Lawyers® in 2016 and 2017 and is an Institute of Continuing Education (ICLE) Contributor.

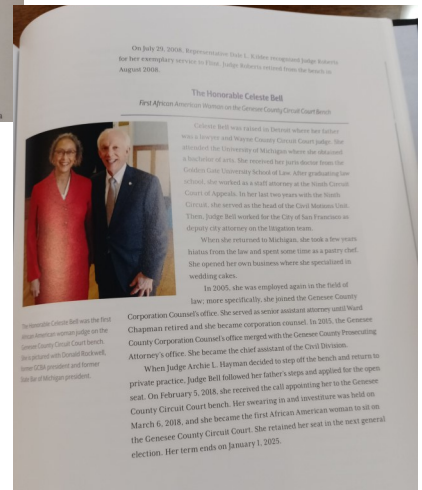
Alexandra has volunteered to assist low-income clients with probate matters at LSEM. She has been generous with her time and has been a wonderful partner to the attorneys at Legal Services. LSEM and the GCBA greatly value and appreciate her pro bono legal assistance with probate matters.

Pro Bono attorneys are always in demand. Attorneys interested in volunteering may contact Stacy Davis at sdavis@lsem-mi.org or Stacy Olivier at solivier@lsem-mi.org.



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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.

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Name on card: _____

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Checks should be payable to Genesee County Bar Association.

Any questions please contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6000

Forms may be faxed to (810) 232-8310

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BECOME A SPONSOR

Grow your business with us!

Sponsor a monthly Membership Meeting

Benefits of sponsorship:

- 6 ft. table at luncheon
- Introduction at luncheon
- Complimentary registration for two attendees
- Corporate logo on registration materials

Cost: \$350



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