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# 2012 CCBL – Storing the quilt until next year

By Thomas V. Casale, Immediate Past President, CCBL Executive Committee

ounty bar officers and executive directors from across commonwealth recently joined members of the Pennsylvania Bar Association Board of Governors, as well as young lawyer members of the Bar Leadership Institute for two nights and days of informative Continuing Legal Education seminars, networking and an '80s party, which ended with a packed dance floor as Donna Summer's "Let's Dance This Last Dance Tonight" closed the evening's festivities. Over 250 bar leaders were in attendance at the 46th Annual Conference of County Bar Leaders, which took place in Lancaster on Feb. 23-25.

The focus of the CCBL was again on leadership. Keynote speakers included attorney and past president of the Lehigh Valley Historical Society, Malcolm Gross,



Outgoing CCBL President Thomas V. Casale (right) passes the gavel to incoming President Colleen Neary.

who kicked off Friday morning's sessions with a program on Lancaster Congressman Thaddeus Stevens and his shared leadership role with President Abraham Lincoln during the 1850s and '60s. Gross discussed not only how the differing leadership styles of these two men translate in the modernday practice of law, but also how they can help the modern lawyer succeed in a leadership role within the bar association.

Attorney and retired Pennsylvania Army National Guard Lt. Col. Platte Moring III gave a moving presentation detailing his experience as a citizen soldier during his 270-day deployment in Afghanistan. Moring's presentation was informative, eye-opening and, at times, unbelievable. Following lunch, Moring sold out of his memoir, Honor First: A Citizen-Soldier in Afghanistan, in record time but stayed to answer questions and further discuss his experiences. Other educational programs included topics such as "Surprise! Things You Wish You Knew Before You Were Handed the Gavel," foundations, diversity, dealing with the judges and legal journals.

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# PBA debuts 'Calling on the Capitol' series

By Lindsay A. Still PBA Associate Legislative Counsel

n March 26, Pennsylvania Bar Association members representing the Family Law Section and Children's Rights Committee met with legislators and legislative staff to discuss family-friendly legislation. Before the meetings, members of both groups worked together to select legislative priorities, which included custody issues, the Uniform Child Abduction Prevention Act, grounds for termination of parental rights and the

presumption of indigency in delinquency cases.

This event was the first in the PBA's new "Calling on the Capitol" series, through which members of PBA sections and committees are brought together for an advocacy day on Capitol Hill in Harrisburg. Each of these events will focus on areas of law that impact practitioners, giving PBA members an opportunity to discuss complex topics with leaders from the state House and Senate while establishing relationships with key lawmakers. These

relationships will help enhance the PBA's grassroots legislative network, which plays a vital role in the success of the PBA's legislative agenda.

"Calling on the Capitol" events will begin with breakfast and an issue briefing at PBA headquarters. Leaders from the participating sections and committees will review the legislative priorities for the day, and Fred Cabell, the PBA's director of legislative affairs, will give participants lobbying strategies and tips. After the briefing,

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In the photo at top, left, CCBL attendees gather for the annual luncheon. CCBL President Tom Casale (above) welcomes everyone to the conference. In the photo at left are PBA Vice President Forest Myers, PBA President Matthew J. Creme Jr., CCBL luncheon speaker Platte Moring III and PBA Zone 6 Governor Anne N. John.

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Twenty-five county bar associations were presented with County Bar Recognition Awards, which honor projects and programs undertaken by the bar association in the calendar year which improve the legal profession, justice system and local community. (See related article on page 4.) Additionally, the Nurick, Flaherty and Birdsall awards were presented to Frank O'Connor of Susquehanna County, Mark Kearney of Montgomery County and Diane Krivoniak of Westmoreland County, respectively; all of whom were most deserving recipients. (See related article on page 3.)

Game Night returned this year as the Friday night entertainment, but with the added twist of being an '80s party. In addition to the Wii<sup>TM</sup> games, contestants played old arcade games such as Pac-Man, had fun with a green screen and danced the night away to popular '80s music. Participation in these activities earned conference attendees tickets that they could then enter into a raffle of an impressive selection of overnight packages from many luxury hotels and resorts.

The conference wrapped up Saturday morning with breakfast and two blockbuster educational programs, which drew quite an audience. We also held our CCBL Executive Committee Business Meeting, where I "passed the gavel" to our next leader, Colleen Neary. By way of introduction, Colleen is a partner at the Media law firm of Sweeney & Neary LLP, where she limits her practice to the area of matrimonial law. She is a past president of the Delaware County Bar Association, where she has also served as chair of the Family Law Section, Solo and Small Firms Committee, Long Range Planning Committee and Past Presidents Committee. She is also a member of the PBA House of Delegates.

As a final note, we would not have been able to put this conference together without the hard work of the CCBL Executive Committee, PBA staff and the generosity of our sponsors. On behalf of the entire CCBL Executive Committee, I would like to thank USI Affinity, Lexis-Nexis, the Pennsylvania Association of Bar Executives, Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Golf Resort, Spa and Marina, Clare Printing, the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, Pennsylvania Court Reporters Association, Reclamere, Inc., and a joint effort between Visit Bucks County and the Peddler's Village.

I have no doubt that Colleen will be an effective leader and will coordinate an excellent conference next year. Please be sure to mark your calendars and plan to join us in State College on Feb. 21-23, 2013.

# O'Connor, Kearney, Krivoniak receive CCBL honors

The Conference of County Bar Leaders (CCBL) of the Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA) recently honored Diane Krivoniak, executive director of the Westmoreland Bar Association (WBA), with its 15th Annual Arthur J. Birdsall Award, while Mark A. Kearney of Montgomery County received the Chief Justice John P. Flaherty Award. Susquehanna County's Francis X. O'Connor took home the Gilbert Nurick Award for his commitment to the Pennsylvania and Susquehanna County bar associations. The awards were bestowed in February at the 46th annual CCBL in Lancaster.

The Birdsall Award is presented to a county bar executive who demonstrates professional excellence, who is committed to the success of his or her bar association and who significantly enhances the stature of his or her bar association. The award is named in honor of Arthur J. Birdsall, the PBA's county bar services director who retired after nearly 40 years of support to local bar associations. For over 20 years, Krivoniak has been the "heart and soul" of the WBA. She is credited with improving technology, including the development of a bar association website, promoting WBA CLE seminars featuring WBA members, encouraging special events and development of excellent bench/bar relationships. She is hands on, professional and encourages her board to be creative. According to her nomination, she is also the No. 1 reason why the WBA values its participation in the CCBL.

The Flaherty Award is given to a qualified PBA member to recognize an outstanding effort to promote the objects and purposes of the CCBL and to improve the legal profession, the justice system or the community. The award is not necessarily given on an annual basis, but rather when the efforts of an individual should be recognized. Kearney is a shareholder at the Blue Bell



Pennsylvania Bar Association President Matthew J. Creme Jr. (from left) joins award winners Francis X. O'Connor, Diane Krivoniak and Mark A. Kearney, incoming PBA President Thomas G. Wilkinson Jr. and CCBL President Thomas V. Casale.

law firm Elliott Greenleaf. According to Montgomery Bar Association (MBA) President-elect Paul Troy, "[W]hat motivated me to nominate Mark was primarily the incredible accomplishments he had during his year as president of the [MBA]. To say that Mark hit the ground running when he was installed as the 85th president of the [MBA] in January 2009 would be an understatement." Kearney's extensive list of accomplishments during that year, and in all his years of service to the MBA, includes his efforts to recognize and promote the MBA's 125th year of service. These efforts culminated in the publication of a hardcover coffee table book about the practice of law in Montgomery County over the past 30 years, titled, Montgomery Bar Association 1980 - 2009: Meeting the Challenges of a Dynamic Era.

The Gilbert Nurick Award is named for the late Harrisburg lawyer who served as PBA president. It is presented to a member of the PBA who exhibits dedication and service to the leadership and promotion of the organized bar and its activities. The award need not be given on an annual basis, but when the dedication and achievement of an individual should be recognized.

O'Connor is a general practitioner with an office in Great Bend, Susquehanna County. In addition to being active in the Susquehanna County Bar Association, O'Connor has served the PBA in numerous capacities over the years, as well as the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. As co-chair of the PBA Membership Development Committee from 2002 – 2004, he was instrumental in the launch of the PBA's InCite program. Most significantly, O'Connor is credited with constant encouragement of participation in bar activities and active recruitment of lawyers for service to the organized bar.

# Local bar associations receive awards at CCBL

The PBA presented County Bar Recognition Awards during the 46th Annual Seminar of the Conference of County Bar Leaders, Feb. 23–25, in Lancaster. Twenty-five local bar associations were honored this year for sponsoring projects that improve the legal profession, justice system and community. The awards, which are noncompetitive in nature, are presented annually by the PBA.

"The willingness of lawyers to step forward and voluntarily lead and participate in projects and programs that improve our communities and our legal system should be recognized," said PBA President Matthew J. Creme Jr. "Through these awards, we shine a little light on their good efforts."

The following local bar associations received awards for notable projects and programs:

#### **Allegheny County Bar Association**

The Legal Guide for Families in Medical Crisis

#### **Beaver County Bar Association**

Breakfast with Santa, Manna and The Yellow Ribbon Girls

#### **Berks County Bar Association**

Legislative Roundtables and Modest Means

#### **Bucks County Bar Association**

PFA Task Force and Elder Law Handbook

#### **Butler County Bar Association**

Creation of pro bono coordinator position

#### **Centre County Bar Association**

Centre County Grange Fair booth, Naturalization program and contribution to Centre County Law Enforcement Camp

#### **Chester County Bar Association**

Lawyers' Quality of Life Program and Legal Lemonade Day

#### **Cumberland County Bar Association**

Second Annual Adopt-a-Family Program and 2011 Law Day Project

#### **Dauphin County Bar Association**

Older and Wiser Presentations, Pro Bono Flood Victims Assistance and pro bono mediation

#### **Delaware County Bar Association**

Youth Court training and Young Lawyers Section 5K Run

#### **Erie County Bar Association**

Website/Pictorial Directory Development, Annual admission ceremony lunch and Mentoring Program

#### Franklin County Bar Association

Juror Appreciation Day, Assisted Pro Se Divorce Clinic and Bench Bar Conference

#### Lackawanna Bar Association

"Wills for Heroes" Program

#### **Lancaster Bar Association**

Lancaster Bar Association Foundation endowment

#### **Lawrence County Bar Association**

Limited Appearance Custody Conciliation Program

#### **Lycoming Law Association**

Development of Family Law Committee, Commonwealth Court event and Flood Relief Matching Fund Drive

#### **Monroe County Bar Association**

Young Lawyers Division 17th Annual Blood Drive

#### **Montgomery Bar Association**

Blue Ribbon Panel on Diversity, Law School Student Membership and What You Need to Know Program

#### **Northampton County Bar Association**

Holiday Hope Chest Project and Antibullying program

#### **Pike County Bar Association**

Live continuing legal education program and community support projects

#### **Schuylkill County Bar Association**

Judge's Retirement Dinner, canned food drive and Young Lawyers Division Meet and Greet

#### Washington County Bar Association

Washington & Jefferson Mock Trial Invitational

#### Westmoreland Bar Association

Pictorial Directory and 125th Anniversary Gala

#### Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association

Judicorps — Local Flood Relief Effort, "Wills for Heroes" Program and Law Suits

#### York County Bar Association

"Wills for Heroes" Program



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Scenes from 2012 Conference of County Bar Leaders in Lancaster, Pa.









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#### **Allegheny**

#### New site: PittsburghLawyerFinder.org

The Allegheny County Bar Association has announced the creation of PittsburghLawyerFinder.org, a free online service to help consumers locate local lawyers. For bar members, it provides another way to source business for a moderate monthly or yearly fee. For the general public, it provides an easy way to locate and compare lawyers practicing in the area of law where they need assistance. Members who join will benefit from the advertising and branding power of the Allegheny County Bar Association through television and radio commercials, print ads and web optimization.

#### Chester

#### **Law Day Celebration 2012**

The Chester County Bar Association will hold its 18th annual Law Day Celebration at the West Chester Golf & Country Club on May 11. Law Day, which President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaimed in 1958, is meant to reflect on the role of law in the foundation of the country and to recognize its importance for society. To promote the ideals of Law Day, the CCBA is sponsoring a poster and essay contest for all students in Chester County. The students are asked to interpret this year's theme, "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom," through their artwork and essays. The \$3,000 Charles E. Swope Scholarship will also be awarded at the Law Day celebration by the Chester County Bar Foundation. This is the 22ndyear that the foundation has awarded a scholarship, which also provides a matching grant to a charity of the student's choice.

#### **Mock Trial Competitions**

The Young Lawyers Division of the Chester County Bar Association had great success this year with its annual Mock Trial competition. There were 17 teams with over 150 students participating in 23 trials. Trials were judged by 23 judges, including Judge Juan R. Sanchez of the United States District Court of Eastern District



This photo was taken at a networking event at the American Bar Association Midyear Meeting in New Orleans in February. Pictured are (from left) Mark Tarasiewicz, associate executive director, Philadelphia Bar Association; Kathleen D. Wilkinson, chancellorelect, Philadelphia Bar Association; David Blaner, executive director, Allegheny County Bar Association; Aimee Cirucci, communications manager, Philadelphia Bar Association; and Thomas G. Wilkinson Jr., president-elect, Pennsylvania Bar Association.

of Pennsylvania. Sixty-nine attorney-jurors, and over 100 volunteer attorneys assisted in running the trials. The trials were held at night in the courtrooms of the Chester County Justice Center thanks to the hospitality of the Chester County commissioners, President Judge James P. MacElree II and the judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Chester County. Hosting the trials is a major community service endeavor for the CCBA, and the association greatly appreciates the support from the volunteers, audience and participants.

#### **CCBA** elects new secretary

William T. Wilson has been elected

secretary of the Chester County Bar Association, which has over 975 members.

Wilson, a partner at MacElree Harvey in West Chester, represents businesses and individuals in civil



William T. Wilson

rights and employment law matters. He has extensive experience in federal and state court civil litigation, including insurance, privacy law and commercial transactions. A graduate of The Citadel, Wilson served in the United States Army for 33 years (1976-2009); seven years of service was on active duty. He received his law degree from Duke University.

#### **Cumberland**

#### **Annual Business Meeting Recap**

More than 140 members, judges and guests attended the 2012 annual meeting. The Cumberland County Bar Association board of directors and officers saw several changes: Marcus A. ("Mike") McKnight III became CCBA president, while Robert P. Kline and Ivo V. Otto III became first vice president and second vice president, respectively. Diane G. Radcliff became CCBA secretary, while Robert C. Saidis returned as treasurer. Incoming board of directors members-at-large were David R. Galloway and Gregory J.

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Katshir. Three have an additional year left in their terms: Thomas D. Gould, Jason P. Kutulakis and Megan Riesmeyer.

The evening's festivities included the CCBA's unveiling of a formal portrait of recently "retired" Judge J. Wesley Oler Jr. While Judge Oler has retired from the county bench, he will serve as a senior judge on the Commonwealth Court.

#### **Distinguished Member Award**

The CCBA presented its Distinguished Member Award to Taylor Andrews. The Distinguished Member Award was created to recognize and honor a CCBA member whose life exemplifies the qualities we most value and aspire to in a colleague, a leader and a friend. In establishing and bestowing this award, the board of directors of the CCBA gratefully acknowledges its debt to those who consistently and conscientiously volunteer their time, talent and energy to enhancing the organized bar and bettering our legal community.

# **Mortgage Foreclosure Diversion Program**

More than 70 attorneys participated in a training session on March 9 at Penn State Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle campus, held by the Cumberland County Bar Association to prepare them for pro bono work in a new county program. Volunteer attorneys provided through the bar association are a key part of Cumberland County's new residential mortgage foreclosure diversion program, established by Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas President Judge Kevin Hess on Feb. 28 through an administrative order.

#### Law Day

The CCBALaw Day Committee will host "The Conspirator" at the historic Carlisle Theatre on April 17 at 7 p.m. free of charge to the public. "The Conspirator," a film directed by Robert Redford, is about Mary Surratt, the only woman to face prosecution for the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, and Frederick Aiken, the lawyer who reluctantly agrees to represent her. The

movie was released last year to critical acclaim and emphasizes the importance of a legal defense no matter what the crime or accusation. Professor Stephanie Jirard will give a brief introduction to the movie and discuss "The Right to Counsel," which is our community outreach theme this year.

#### **Erie**



Ronald Cotton (left) and Jennifer Thompson, authors of the New York Times best-seller Picking Cotton.

# Picking Cotton authors to speak at Erie's Law Day Luncheon

Jennifer Thompson and Ronald Cotton, authors of the *New York Times* best-selling book *Picking Cotton*, will be the keynote speakers at the Erie County Bar Association's Annual Law Day Luncheon, Friday, May 4, at the Bayfront Convention Center. Thompson and Cotton will tell their remarkable story of injustice, redemption and the power of the human spirit. The two are a perfect example to how anyone can rise above adversity to create positive and lasting change.

The Law Day Luncheon will also recognize this year's recipients of the Liberty Bell, Chancellor of the Bar and Pro Bono Attorney of the Year awards.

# Annual Law Day Run/ Walk benefits Attorney & Kids Together program

The 9th Annual Law Day 5K Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, April 28, at 9 a.m. in front of the Erie County Court House. A top-quality, long-sleeved T-shirt is given to each pre-registrant. Runners and walkers of

all ages and abilities will participate.

Proceeds from this event benefit the ECBA's signature community project, Attorneys & Kids Together, which supports the educational needs of local students living in homeless situations.

# **Erie County Bar Association** gets online makeover

The ECBA launched its new website in March. The website, <a href="www.eriebar.com">www.eriebar.com</a>, developed by Epic Web Studios in Erie, is a way for members to become more interactive and learn what is happening at the bar association. The website is easy to use and is an excellent vehicle for the public to access law-related information in Erie.

#### Lebanon

# Monthly 'You & the Law' on local radio station

Each month lawyers from the Lebanon County Bar Association volunteer to participate in a local radio talk show for a segment called "You and the Law." One or two attorneys are guests on the show, answering questions from the public by phone for a two-hour time span. The questions can range from how to appeal a speeding ticket to the process of filing for custody. A disclaimer notes that this is not legal advice, but the segment is a popular way for attorneys to help the public understand some of the complexities of the

#### **Modest Means Program**

The Lebanon County Bar Association has continued with its Modest Means Program, which provides reduced-cost legal services for those who qualify according to household income and type of case. The program provides services for those who don't qualify for MidPenn Legal Services.

Potential clients apply and are approved through the bar association office and referred to an attorney within the appropriate category. In 2011, 97 people were referred, the vast majority of whom were seeking assistance with

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custody and divorce cases. Other cases include unemployment compensation, PFA defense, landlord/tenant issues, support, wills and powers of attorney. A set schedule of fees is based on the type of case and may be a flat fee or per-hour charge. Attorneys volunteer to participate in the program and offer their services at the reduced rate.

#### Lehigh

# Members raise \$16,300-plus for Holiday Assistance Campaign

The members of the Bar Association of Lehigh County raised more than \$16,300 for the annual 2011-2012 Holiday Assistance Campaign. The campaign, which has been conducted over the past 20 years, has raised over \$200,000. All contributions are donated to various nonprofit organizations throughout the Greater Lehigh Valley.

#### **Montgomery**

#### **Member Resource Center launched**

The Montgomery Bar Association recently launched a new online Member Resource Center. This new, interactive, webenabled service offers several advantages to the association and its members and is easily accessible from PCs, tablets and web-enabled smart phones. The Member Resource Center was developed internally to raise awareness of association benefits for new and existing members and is presently being evaluated as a potential alternative to their traditional membership packet.

Unlike a traditional website, the Member Resource Center contains a series of executable icons or "buttons." Each button launches a unique application. For instance, clicking on the "New Member Checklist" icon encourages involvement by reminding new members of important "to-do's." Members wishing to learn how to take advantage of certain online benefits can click on the "Tutorials" icon, which contains animated, step-by-step instructions designed to teach members how to register for events, update their member profile online, search local court opin-

ions, share their news and more. New features are being introduced weekly. More information and links to the MBA Member Resource Center can be accessed via the MBA website, www.montgomerybar.org.

#### **Schuylkill**

#### New association president

Sudhir R. Patel, a partner in the Pottsville firm of Fanelli, Evans & Patel PC, has been elected president of the Schuylkill County Bar Association.

#### Wayne

#### **WCBA receives Ernico Award**

The Wayne County Bar Association (WCBA) was recently presented with the Pennsylvania Bar Assocation Ernico Award for calling upon all of its members to provide pro bono representation. In 2009, WCBA approved implementation of the 100 percent pro bono participation pledge based on a recommendation by its Pro Bono Committee.

The Ernico Award, named to celebrate the pro bono accomplishments of Harrisburg lawyer Jeffrey A. Ernico, is presented by the PBA Legal Services to the Public Committee. The award honors individuals and groups providing unique services that significantly improve legal services for low-income individuals and families.

#### York

#### **Truancy Prevention Initiative honored**

A community initiative sponsored by the York County Bar Foundation that has received attention from across the state was recently honored by *The Central Penn Business Journal*.

The York County Truancy Prevention Initiative (TPI), a cooperative effort with the United Way of York County and in partnership with the York County Bar Foundation (YCBF), received top honors in the 13th Annual Nonprofit Innovation Awards ceremony recognizing collaborative innovations and efforts in the field of truancy prevention for York County schools.

In just two years since the launch of the program, York County has improved its ranking in truancy from ninth place to 20th, statewide.

Building on the work over the past 10 years of Judge John C. Uhler who observed that as many as 90-95 percent of youths in juvenile delinquency proceedings were

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The Wayne County Bar Association (WCBA) receives the Pennsylvania Bar Association Ernico Award.



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truants, the TPI formed as organizations, schools and agencies came together to share resources, gather and assess data and ultimately increase the quality of children's lives in York County.

With grants from the YCBF and funding partners, the foundation hired lawyer

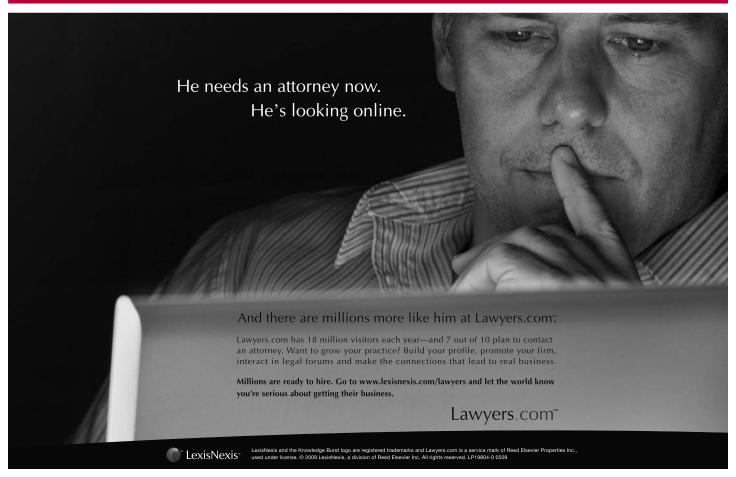
Leigh Dalton as director. In 2009, 250 stakeholders participated in a Truancy Prevention Summit to form a Community Action Plan. In 2010, the TPI was featured at a statewide conference sponsored by the Juvenile Judges Commission, the Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers and the Juvenile Court Section of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial

Judges. The United Way of York County became the fiscal agent for the program in 2011. At the awards event held on Feb. 21, Robert Woods, executive director of the United Way of York County, accepted the honor along with a \$2,000 grant to further the initiative in recognition of the achievement.

## **PBA Young Lawyers Division News**

- \* Save the dates for the upcoming YLD Summer Meeting and New Admittee Conference, which will be held July 27-29 at the Rocky Gap Lodge and Golf Resort in Flintstone, Md.
- \* County bar presidents and bar executives should have received an email requesting new admittee nominations from your county. As this is an invaluable experience to newly-admitted attorneys, you are encouraged to follow through with this request. For more information, please contact PBA YLD Coordinator Maria Engles at <a href="maria.engles@pabar.org">maria.engles@pabar.org</a> or 800-932-0311, ext. 2223.







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# **Malpractice Avoidance Seminars scheduled**

The PBA County Bar Services Department, the PBA Professional Liability Committee and USI Affinity, in cooperation with local bar associations, have scheduled more than 20 Malpractice Avoidance Seminars.

Seminars will take place in the following counties during the next several months: Adams, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Columbia/Montour, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Montgomery, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Sullivan/Wyoming, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union/Snyder, Wayne/Pike.

Those attending the seminars will receive a 5-percent discount on their PBA-endorsed malpractice insurance through USI Affinity and up to 1.5 hours of CLE ethics credit. All seminars are presented live and include a CD-ROM of the presentation material. Until otherwise noted below, register online at www.pabar.org/public/localbar/countybarprograms.asp. For questions or more information, call 800-932-0311, ext. 2240.

The schedule follows:

#### **FRANKLIN**

April 10 at 10 a.m. Chambersburg Country Club, 3646 Scotland Road, Chambersburg

#### **ADAMS**

April 10 at 3 p.m. Best Western Gettysburg Hotel, 1 Lincoln Square, Gettysburg

#### **CUMBERLAND**

April 11 at 10 a.m. Hotel Carlisle, 1700 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle

#### **PERRY**

April 11 at 3 p.m. Perry County Court House, Centre Square, New Bloomfield

#### **LEBANON**

April 12 at 10 a.m. Lebanon Country Club, 3375 West Oak St., Lebanon

#### **DAUPHIN**

April 13 at 11:30 a.m. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 23 S. Second St., Harrisburg *To register, call 717-232-7536*.

#### **BUCKS**

April 18 at 9 a.m. Bucks County Bar Association, 135 E. State St., Doylestown *To register, call 215-348-9413*.

#### **LANCASTER**

April 20 at 12:30 p.m. Lancaster Bar Association, 28 E. Orange St., Lancaster *To register, call 717-393-0737*.

#### WAYNE/PIKE

April 23 at 9 a.m. The Settlers Inn, 4 Main Ave., Hawley

#### **SUSQUEHANNA**

April 23 at 3 p.m. Holiday Inn Express & Suites, I-81 at exit 219, New Milford

#### **LACKAWANNA**

April 24 at 9 a.m. The Colonnade, 401 Jefferson Ave., Scranton

#### SULLIVAN/WYOMING

April 24 at 3 p.m. Shadowbrook Inn & Resort, 615 SR 6 East, Tunkhannock

#### **LUZERNE**

April 26 at 10 a.m. The Westmoreland Club, 59 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre

#### **TIOGA**

May 14 at 9 a.m. Mansfield University, Memorial Hall, Room 211, Mansfield

#### **LYCOMING**

May 14 at 3 p.m. Holiday Inn, 100 Pine St., Williamsport

#### **COLUMBIA/MONTOUR**

May 15 at 9 a.m. Quality Inn & Suites, 15 Valley West Road, Danville

#### **NORTHUMBERLAND**

May 15 at 3 p.m. Edison Hotel, 401 Market St., Sunbury

#### UNION/SNYDER

May 16 at 9 a.m. Lewisburg Hotel, 136 Market St., Lewisburg

#### **CARBON**

May 16 at 3 p.m. Inn at Jim Thorpe, 24 Broadway, Jim Thorpe

#### **NORTHAMPTON**

May 17 at 1 p.m. Best Western, Routes 512 and 22, Bethlehem *To register, call 610-258-6333*.

#### **MONTGOMERY**

May 21 at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Montgomery Bar Association, 100 W. Airy St., Norristown

#### **CHESTER**

May 22 at 9 a.m. Chester County Bar Association, 15 W. Gay St., 2nd Floor, West Chester

#### **DELAWARE**

May 22 at 3 p.m. Delaware County Bar Association, 335 W. Front St., Media

#### LEHIGH

May 25 at 10 a.m. The Bar Association of Lehigh County, 1114 W. Walnut St., Allentown

#### **DAUPHIN**

August 10 at 11:30 a.m.
Crowne Plaza Hotel,
23 S. Second St., Harrisburg
To register, call 717-232-7536. ■

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# Pennsylvania Bar Association names Fredrick Cabell Jr. as legislative director

Fredrick Cabell Jr. of Harrisburg has joined the Pennsylvania Bar Association as its legislative director.

Cabell works with the PBA leadership, including its Board of Governors and House of Delegates, to present the PBA's positions on legislative matters to the General Assembly. He and his depart-

ment also monitor and report information on pending and enacted legislation to the association's committees, sections and local bar associations and also work closely with these bodies to propose and develop legislation.

Cabell, who joined the PBA staff in February, most recently served as director of governmental relations for the Pennsylvania Builders Association. He previously served as counsel in the Office of Senator Jeffrey E. Piccola of Harrisburg, as a lob-



Fredrick Cabell Jr.

byist on education issues for the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference, as a deputy attorney general in the Litigation Section of the Office of the Attorney General and as an associate in law firms based in Washington, D.C. and Pottsville, Pa.

Cabell earned his juris doctorate from The Catholic University of America and his bachelor's degree from Susquehanna University.

### 'Calling on the Capitol' series

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the group will head to the Hill for meetings scheduled by the PBA Legislative Department with leaders of House and Senate committees, bill sponsors and the representatives and senators of each of the participants. Following the meetings, the participants are invited to return to the PBA for light refreshments and to share their lobbying experiences.

For updates or questions about upcoming "Calling on the Capitol" events, call or email Lindsay Still at the PBA, 800-932-0311, ext. 2207, or <a href="mailto:lindsay.still@pabar.org">lindsay.still@pabar.org</a> or check the PBA Legislative Department's webpage at <a href="https://www.pabar.org/public/legislative">www.pabar.org/public/legislative</a>. •

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## **SAVE THE DATE**

2012 PA CLE Providers Conference

Friday, June 8, 2012, Harrisburg

The annual conference for Pennsylvania CLE course providers will be held **Friday**, **June 8**, **2012**, at the Hilton Hotel in Harrisburg, Pa. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the conference will start at 9 a.m. There will be a networking luncheon following the meeting.

The PA CLE Provider Conference continues to serve as a forum for people who share the mutual goal of providing high quality training and education to Pennsylvania's lawyers.

A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the Harrisburg Hilton Hotel and are available at a discounted rate of \$134 until May 8, 2012. Please call (800) 445-8667 and mention the reservation code of **CLE** for the group rate.

Registration and additional information will be posted soon at <a href="https://www.asapnexus.org">www.asapnexus.org</a>.



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# **PBA Bar Leadership Institute**

The PBA Bar Leadership Institute provides **emerging leaders**, representing a broad cross-section of the **diversity of the PBA membership**, with an opportunity to **learn about the PBA** while actively participating in key meetings. Participation in the Bar Leadership Institute provides numerous opportunities to **network with PBA members and leadership** and helps **build lasting relationships** that will serve as an invaluable resource for future success.

The Bar Leadership Institute **looks to the future** of the organization by **developing well-informed, committed leaders** who will serve the PBA for many years to come. It familiarizes participants with the day-to-day operation of the association, provides a foundation on **governance and policy issues** and introduces the participants to PBA staff and resources.

If you know a young leader reach out and encourage him or her to apply.

If you are a young leader, **visit the PBA website** for details and to **complete an application**.



Applications for the 2012-2013 PBA BLI class are due May 18, 2012.

Everything you need is on the website:

www.pabar.org/bli.asp

# Mark your calendars for these 2012 events

#### **PBA Annual Meeting**

May 9-11

Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster

#### **PBA Committee/Section Day**

May 9

Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster

#### PBA Women in the Profession 19th Annual Conference

May 9

Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster

# PBA Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section Annual Meeting

May 9-10

Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster

#### **PBA House of Delegates Meeting**

May 11

Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster

#### PBA Young Lawyers Division Summer Meeting/ New Admittee Conference

July 27-29

Rocky Gap Lodge & Golf Resort, Flintstone, Md.

#### NABE/ABA Annual Meeting New Admittee Conference

Aug. 2-7 Chicago, III.

#### 7th Annual PBA Diversity Summit

Oct. 26

Omni William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh

#### **PBA Committee/Section Day**

Nov. 15

Holiday Inn East, Harrisburg



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#### Piercing the Corporate Veil

May 3, Doylestown, West Chester 12 to 3:15 p.m.; check-in at 11:30 a.m., 3 substantive/0 ethics

# Valuing the Small Business in Divorce: Practice Pointers and Pitfalls

May 7, Allentown, Doylestown, Erie, Greensburg, Meadville, Media, New Castle, Norristown, Reading, Stroudsburg, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre 8:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 3 substantive/1 ethics

#### **16th Annual Insurance Institute**

May 9, Erie, West Chester 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 5 substantive/1 ethics

# The Challenges of Representing a Client with Diminished Capacity

May 10, Allentown, Chambersburg, Doylestown, Erie, Mill Hall, Reading, Warren, West Chester 12 to 4:15 p.m.; check-in at 11:30 a.m., 3 substantive/1 ethics

#### A Day on Electronic Discovery

May 11, Allentown, Beaver, Greensburg, New Castle, Stroudsburg, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 6.5 substantive/0 ethics

#### Gas Leases and Estate Planning: Techniques to Protect The Future of Your Client's Mineral Rights

May 16, Beaver, Doylestown, Easton, Hollidaysburg, Johnstown, Lebanon, Mansfield, Mill Hall, Montrose, New Castle, Selinsgrove, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, Warren, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, York

9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 4 substantive/0 ethics

#### Family of Laws for the Family Lawyer

May 17, Doylestown, West Chester 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 6 substantive/0 ethics

# Workers' Compensation Practice & Procedure 2012

May 18, Allentown, Chambersburg, Doylestown, Easton, Erie, Greensburg, Johnstown, Lebanon, Meadville, Media, Mill Hall, New Castle, Reading, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, Warren, Washington, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, Williamsport, York 8:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 4 substantive/0 ethics

#### Gas Leases and Estate Planning: Techniques to Protect The Future of Your Client's Mineral Rights

May 22, Williamsport 9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 4 substantive/0 ethics

#### How to Properly Document a Settlement Agreement (After the New Joint and Several Liability Law)

May 22, Doylestown
9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m.,
4 substantive/0 ethics

#### 10th Annual Nonprofit Institute

May 23, Allentown, Hollidaysburg, Indiana, Johnstown, Lebanon, Mansfield, Meadville, Mill Hall, New Castle, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, York

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 5 substantive/1 ethics

#### **Appellate Advocacy Practicum**

May 23, Scranton 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.; check-in at 2 p.m., 2 substantive/0 ethics

# Divided We Fall: How Will the Presidential Election Impact Law, Policy and Politics?

May 24, Allentown, Chambersburg, Doylestown, Easton, Hollidaysburg, Indiana, Johnstown, Lebanon, Mansfield, Meadville, Media, New Castle, Selinsgrove, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, Warren, Washington, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, York

12 to 2 p.m.; check-in at 11:30 a.m., 2 substantive/0 ethics

#### **Business Insurance**

June 6, Allentown, Easton, Erie, Mill Hall, Warren

9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 4 substantive/0 ethics

# Fiduciary Duties of Officers and Directors

June 12, Doylestown, West Chester 12:30 to 3:45 p.m.; check-in at 12 p.m., 3 substantive/0 ethics

#### Entertainment Law in the Twenty-First Century: Effective Representation in an Ever-Changing Industry

June 14, West Chester 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 5 substantive/1 ethics

# Trying a Case in State Court (From Start to Finish)

June 19, Erie, Greensburg, Media, Reading, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 6 substantive/0 ethics

## The Second Season: Issues for Divorce Over 50

June 20, Allentown, Beaver, Doylestown, Johnstown, Media, New Castle, West Chester, Williamsport, York 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 5 substantive/1 ethics

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# MBA Concepts for Lawyers in the Age of Financial Reform

June 21, Allentown, Hollidaysburg, Indiana, Johnstown, Lebanon, Mansfield, Meadville, Mill Hall, New Castle, Selinsgrove, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, Warren, Wilkes-Barre, York

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 5 substantive/1 ethics

#### The Technology You Need to Start a Law Practice OR to Overhaul the One You Have

June 25, Allentown, Greensburg, Indiana, Mansfield, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, York

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 6 substantive/0 ethics

# Representing Residential Landlord & Tenants

June 26, Allentown, Erie, Greensburg, Lebanon, New Castle, Media, Reading, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, Williamsport,

9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.; check-in at 8:30 a.m., 6 substantive/0 ethics

#### **General Practitioners' Update 2012**

June 27, Allentown, Beaver, Chambersburg, Doylestown, Erie, Greensburg, Hollidaysburg, Honesdale, Indiana, Lebanon, Mansfield, Meadville, Mill Hall, Montrose, New Castle, Selinsgrove, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, Warren, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, Williamsport, York

8:30 a.m. to 3:40 p.m.; check-in at 8 a.m., 5 substantive/1 ethics





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