

BIRMINGHAM BAR ASSOCIATION BENCH-BAR RETREAT
MARCH 9, 2012 – MARCH 10, 2012
HOTEL CAPSTONE, TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA

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FRIDAY – MARCH 9

7:30 AM – 12:00 Noon: GOLF (if interested,
contact Max H. Pulliam, Jr. (mhpulliam@csattorneys.com))

Noon – 4:00 PM: REGISTRATION

1:15 – 1:30 PM: PLENARY SESSION

1:30 – 2:30 PM: ETHICS UPDATE – J. Anthony McLain,
General Counsel, Alabama State Bar (One Hour Ethics Credit)

2:45 – 3:45 PM: BREAK OUT SESSIONS

GROUP ONE: APPELLATE COURT

Justice Thomas A. Woodall and Judge Bernard Harwood (Ret.)

GROUP TWO: FEDERAL COURT

U.S. District Judge L. Scott Coogler and U.S. Magistrate Judge Paul W. Greene

GROUP THREE: CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT

Judge Joseph Boohaker, Judge Elisabeth French, and Diandra “Fu” Debrosse

GROUP FOUR: BUSINESS LAW SECTION

Edward R. (Ed) Christian, Business Law Section Chair

GROUP FIVE: PROBATE COURT

Sidney C. Summey, Jr., Probate Section Chair

3:45 – 4:00 PM: PROGRAM BREAK

4:00 – 5:00 PM: BREAK OUT SESSIONS RESUME

GROUP ONE: FEDERAL PRACTICE SECTION - “The Power of the Pen – Legal Writing from the Federal Court’s Perspective,” featuring legal writing experts – moderated by Carol Sue Nelson

GROUP TWO: ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION
“Mandatory Mediation: Should it be ordered by the Court?”

GROUP THREE: YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION
“Lessons from the Bench”

GROUP FOUR: E-DISCOVERY
Judge Robert S. Vance and a distinguished panel

GROUP FIVE: FAMILY COURT
Judge James Brian Huff and Judge Julie Palmer

THE SESSIONS WILL FOCUS ON RECENT DECISIONS AND ISSUES IN CIVIL, FAMILY, PROBATE, APPELLATE AND FEDERAL COURTS, AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN BUSINESS LAW, E-DISCOVERY, AND ADR. A SPECIAL SESSION ON FEDERAL PRACTICE LEGAL WRITING FROM THE JUDGES’ PERSPECTIVE IS ALSO INCLUDED.

5:00 – 5:30 PM: Break

5:30 – 6:30 PM: Bryant Museum Tour (optional)

6:30 – 7:30 PM: Cocktails, Bryant Conference Center

7:30 – 9:00 PM: Dinner (Presentation of the Judge Drayton James Award and Keynote Speech by Alabama Supreme Court Chief Justice Charles Malone)

9:00 – 11:00 PM: Music by The Undergrounders

SATURDAY – MARCH 10

****Events held at the NEW Tuscaloosa Federal Building & Courthouse, 2005 University Blvd.****

8:30 – 9:30 AM: Breakfast

9:00 AM: Registration for the late crowd

9:30 – 11:30 AM

LEADERSHIP

**Special presentation by
General Charles C. Krulak, President, Birmingham
Southern University
(Retired Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps and
former member of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff)**

**Welcome and building tour by
the Hon. L. Scott Coogler,
U.S. District Judge**

Don’t miss this inspirational and informative presentation!

ATTENDANCE AT THE ENTIRE RETREAT WILL CARRY 6.0 MCLE CREDIT HOURS (includes 1 hour ethics credit)

This conference is consistently rated as one of the most outstanding benefits of BBA membership – two days that inspire, teach and challenge you to be a better lawyer. It’s fun and entertaining in a relaxed setting – a chance to meet with Judges and learn and work on solutions to common problems; an opportunity to re-charge and help develop the skills you need to succeed; and importantly, a chance to meet with both friends and “foes” in an atmosphere conducive to energize, enhance creativity and knowledge, and promote the collegial camaraderie that celebrates this dynamic and vital profession. **Attendance is limited to BBA members and invited guests.**

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HOTEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION: The BBA room block at the Host Hotel is almost sold out! Call Now! Hotel Capstone, Tuscaloosa: 800-477-2262; Online: <http://www.hotelcapstone.com>
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CANCELLATION FEE \$35.00 THROUGH FEBRUARY 17, 2012; NO REGISTRATION REFUNDS AFTER FEBRUARY 17, 2012!

RETREAT REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

RETREAT REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES MEALS, ALL EVENTS, SIX (6) MCLE CREDIT HOURS (INCLUDING ONE (1) HOUR ETHICS CREDIT) AND ALL MATERIALS.

BIRMINGHAM BAR MEMBERS \$225.00
YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION MEMBERS \$175.00

DAILY SESSION ONLY (Friday or Saturday) \$175.00
If daily session, please indicate Friday or Saturday session
FRIDAY RECEPTION ONLY \$100.00

LATE FEE AFTER FEBRUARY 10, 2012 \$ 25.00

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