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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Bar Members:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to serve as your president this past year, and a true honor to serve with such a dedicated Executive Committee. Space does not permit individual recognition, but be assured that each member contributed tirelessly and selflessly organizing social events, redrafting bylaws, arranging CLE seminars and developing our mentoring program, just to name a few areas of focus. The Charleston School of Law continues its exciting growth; particularly impressive is their commitment to community service and pro bono involvement. The accreditation process is well underway with the recent ABA visit, the solid support of our Bar and especially all levels of our State and Federal Judiciary was impressive and exciting.

The Executive Committee has voted unanimously to establish an award to be given in the name of James Louis Petigru who practiced law in Charleston in the 1850s and 60s. A staunch Unionist, Petigru personified courage of conviction, and while often taking an unpopular position on volatile issues, stood his ground earning universal respect from those on both sides. The inaugural presentation is planned for early spring 2011. We are also working to have the South Carolina Court of Appeals hold a Charleston term in our Historic Courthouse next spring which would be a wonderful opportunity for our Law School and the Bar in general.

Our State Judiciary faces great budgetary challenges which should concern us all. In a recent conversation with the current President of South Carolina Trial Lawyers Association, he relayed that the majority of his effort is spent lobbying legislators for continued funding of the judiciary. The percentage figures that South Carolina commits compared to other states is astoundingly small. A well-funded, efficient and affective court system is vital; this matter is crucial to every practicing attorney, and the citizens of our state.

In closing on a matter of serious concern, during the most recent elections a negative campaign advertisement ran targeting three candidates for statewide office. Their photographs were stamped diagonally with the word "lawyer," conveying intentional and unmistakable disdain and derision. Even accounting for the nature of politics, the offensive and insulting publication breached the bounds of propriety; unwarranted and unfounded attacks cannot go unanswered. There is no profession which more meticulously governs its own, ethically and professionally; nor is there any vocation which has contributed more to the creation, maintenance and preservation of the United States and its principles than the legal profession. Society's reliance on keepers of the law has been documented since the advent of recorded history; in Henry IV, Shakespeare recognized it was the lawyers who stood between order and chaos. Ours is a time honored and noble profession, it is a privilege to be counted among your number.

Again thank you,

Sincerely

Randell C. Stoney, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Duffy & Young LLC is pleased to announce that **J. Rutledge Young Jr.** has joined the firm effective January 1, 2011. Rutledge graduated from UVA Law School in 1968, is a former President of the SC Bar (1994-1995) and is a former partner at Young Clement & Rivers LLP where he has practiced law since 1970. Concentrating his practice in litigation, Rutledge is rated AV by Martindale Hubbell, is a South Carolina Super Lawyer, has been listed in Best Lawyers in America since 1983 and is a member of several national legal organizations that honor trial lawyers.

Blair C. Jennings is pleased to announce his association with **Coffey, Chandler, Kent & McKenzie, P.A.** Blair's practice will focus on criminal defense and plaintiff's personal injury. His office is located at 4969 Centre Pointe Drive, Suite 102, North Charleston, South Carolina 29423. Tel. (843) 745-4542; Fax (843) 745-4545; Email: **blair@cckmlaw.com.**

Pierce, Herns, Sloan & McLeod, LLC is pleased to announce that **Elizabeth R. Hamilton** has joined the firm as an associate attorney. Her areas of practice will include Commercial Litigation, Professional Malpractice Defense, and Alcohol Beverage Licensing and Alcohol Violation Defense.

Jeffrey T. Stover has joined the law firm of **Turner Padget Graham & Laney, P.A.** as an associate attorney. He is based in the Charleston office practicing in the areas of business litigation, intellectual property, product and professional liability. After obtaining a Master of Science degree from Clemson University, Mr. Stover began his career as an aerospace engineer. Thereafter, he obtained his Juris Doctor, summa cum laude, from the Charleston School of Law in 2010. While in law school, Mr. Stover became a member of the patent bar.

THE LAWYERS' EPIDEMIC: DEPRESSION, SUICIDE, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

C. Stuart Mauney
Gallivan, White & Boyd, P.A.

In a period of 18 months, six lawyers committed suicide in South Carolina. In late 2008, a student at the Charleston (SC) School of Law committed suicide. Around that same time, a student at the USC School of Law died of alcohol poisoning. Recent studies show that lawyers are three times as likely to suffer from depression as other professions. The rate of substance abuse among lawyers is twice that of the general population.

The South Carolina Bar formed the HELP Task Force to shine a bright light on these problems. It is my privilege to serve as Chair of HELP, whose mission is to raise awareness and promote prevention of substance abuse, mental illness, and suicide within the legal profession. The Bar's Lawyers Helping Lawyers program provides confidential services for lawyers who suffer from substance abuse and mental illness. HELP complements the work of LHL by educating lawyers, law firms, law students, and judges about the services available through LHL. HELP also promotes a better understanding of mental health issues in the legal profession.

A study by Johns Hopkins University found that among more than 100 occupations studied, lawyers were most likely to suffer from depression and were 3.6 times more likely than average to do so. A quality of life survey by the North Carolina Bar revealed that almost 26% of respondents exhibited symptoms of clinical depression, and almost 12% said they contemplated suicide at least once a month. The North Carolina study was prompted in part by the suicides of 8 Mecklenburg County lawyers in a seven-year period.

10% of Americans, more than 19 million people, suffer from depression every year. More Americans suffer from clinical depression than heart disease and cancer. Effective treatment is available for 90% of those with a depressive illness.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death among attorneys, after cancer and heart disease. The rate of death by suicide for lawyers is nearly six times the suicide rate for the general population. Suicide can be prevented. While some

suicides occur without any outward warning, most do not. We can prevent suicide among lawyers by learning to recognize the signs of someone at risk, taking those signs seriously, and knowing how to respond to them.

The National Institute on Alcohol and Alcohol Abuse estimates that 10% of the U.S. population is alcoholic or chemically dependent. In the legal profession, the abuse may be as high as 20%. Alcoholism is a factor in 30% of all completed suicides. Reports from lawyer assistance programs indicate that 50%-75% of lawyer discipline cases nationwide involve chemical dependency.

Whether you are the husband, wife, employee, judge, law student, law partner, law firm associate, friend, or colleague of a person challenged by depression or substance abuse, your understanding of the nature of the problem can play a vital part in helping that individual to achieve and maintain recovery. Please remember that there is hope, and there is help. You are not alone.

Call the Lawyers Helping Lawyers toll-free helpline at 866-545-9590 or LifeFocus Counseling Services toll-free at **866-726-5252** to be referred to a counselor in your area.

"COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE AWARD"

HONORING

JUDGE RICHARD E. FIELDS

A REMARKABLE HUMANITARIAN AND STANDARD BEARER OF JUSTICE FOR ALL

On Thursday, February 10, 2011, the Center for Heirs' Property Preservation (the Center) will honor Judge Richard E. Fields with its inaugural "Commitment to Justice" Award for his passionate pursuit of justice for all - as an attorney, as a judge and as a human being.

Judge Fields has always deeply cared about the individual. He still believes that the best way to resolve differences is by taking the time to talk, to listen and learn, and to get to know people. For Judge Fields, success has come from developing relationships and building bridges between people.

Judge Fields' achievements are legion and his support and service on the Board of Directors of the Center has been unflagging and personal. In his own words, Judge Fields has graciously lent his name to this fundraising event to benefit the Center because "the uniqueness of the Lowcountry culture is disappearing. The pressure is on the rural areas and we must help preserve them."

The Center provides comprehensive education and legal services to low-income owners of heirs' property to help them obtain clear title and keep their family land. Much of this land is valuable rural land that has been passed down for generations without a will and is therefore owned "in common" by all heirs. This unstable form of land ownership has resulted in the loss of important open spaces and the fragmentation of historic African American communities. The Center helps families keep their ancestral land and acquire the tools and knowledge to become better stewards of their land.

At age 90, Judge Fields knows something about transformation. He was born and raised in Charleston, S.C. to parents with very little education gotten "in between crops." In 1949, with a law degree from Howard University School of Law, he became the first black attorney to open a law office in Charleston since the early 1900s and the first black litigator. How did he do it? He decided to knock on the door of every lawyer in town and learn as much as he could from each one of them.

I needed to get to know them and they needed to get to know me. As my mama said to me - 'A lot of people want to get along, but very few do any getting'. So I decided to do all the getting' and it worked out pretty well.

Judge Fields is an original in many ways. In 1969, he was elected and served as a Municipal Judge for the City of Charleston and was reportedly the first black judicial official to be so elected in the Southeast. He served until 1975 when he was elected Judge of the Family Court of Charleston County and then Judge of the Circuit Courts of South Carolina until his retirement in 1992.

He has also served more than 50 years on the Board of Trustees of Claflin College (now University), where he established the Richard E. Fields Scholarship in 1992.

In 1980, Judge Fields joined other businessmen to establish the Liberty National Bank, and was a member of the Committee to establish the Charleston School of Law. In 1999, he was honored by the local chapter of "100 Black Men" for his contributions to the community and legal profession.

To this day, Judge Fields actively assists attorneys, especially with mediation, where his immense experience and natural ability to communicate often bring people together in miraculous agreement.

Join the Center and the special Host Committee - Co-Chairs; Randell C. Stoney, Jr. and Wilbur E. Johnson; Carol B. Ervin, Donald H. Howe, John P. Linton, Alice F. Paylor, Thomas S. Tisdale and J. Rutledge Young, Jr. to honor this remarkable and gentle man and to support a vital and worthwhile cause in which he deeply believes. To reserve you tickets, go online at: www.heirsproperty.org. For tickets or to be recognized as a sponsor, contact the Center at: (843)745-7055.

JUDICIAL NOTICE

U.S. District Judge Richard Mark Gergel

By: **Wes Allison, Charleston School of Law, class of 2012**

Something other than his skill as a trial lawyer already sets the Honorable Richard M. Gergel apart from most of President Obama's other nominees to the federal bench: He got through the gridlocked Senate. After winning unanimous approval from the Senate Judiciary Committee, in August he became one of fewer than 30 of the President's U.S. District Court nominees to win final confirmation by the full U.S. Senate, and unanimously at that.

Born: Aug. 14, 1954 in Columbia, S.C.
Nominated: December 22, 2009 by President Barack Obama. Confirmed Aug. 5, 2010.
Education: J.D., Duke University School of Law, J.D., 1979; B.A., Duke University, 1975.
Career: President and senior partner, Gergel, Nickles and Solomon, P.A., Columbia, S.C., 1983-2010; private practice, Columbia, 1979-1983.
Family: Wife, Belinda Gergel, a member of the Columbia City Council; two sons, Richie, a producer for NBC's Dateline, and Joseph, a photographer and graduate student in Art History at Columbia University.

1. **Hobbies**: Following Duke University basketball; boating; and researching and writing about South Carolina Jewish and South Carolina judicial history. Judge Gergel and his wife are the co-authors of the book In Pursuit of the Tree of Life: A History of the Early Jews of Columbia, S.C., as well as other historical publications.

2. **On your nightstand**: A pile of papers from work! Plus, Making Democracy Work: A Judge's View, by Stephen Breyer and A Passion for Justice: J. Waties Waring and Civil Rights, by Tinsley E. Yarbrough.

3. **What the Bar might be surprised to learn**: Judge Gergel is South Carolina's first Jewish U.S. District Judge. He calls it an honor, but adds that he is reluctant to make too much of this "first" because of "the tolerance and respect people have shown their Jewish neighbors. South Carolina has a long history of acceptance."

3. **Most surprising part about being a judge**: The vast array of issues that come before a federal judge, and the learning curve that comes with it. "I kind of knew, but I didn't know. [Senior U.S. District Judge] Sol Blatt told me it took him five years. I understand what he was talking about."

4. **Best part about being a judge**: "Every generation has to leave the next generation their vision of constitutional liberty. I feel this incredible bond with the history of the Constitution, and the judges who have upheld the law, and . . . [it] is an honor."

5. **In your courtroom, Do**: Come prepared to try your case, or otherwise find resolution. He aims for "'the just, speedy and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding,'" he says, citing from Rule 1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. "That doesn't sound like federal justice to me.'Just, speedy and inexpensive determination.' I'm working on all three. Work your cases hard, both sides. I want us to get on with what it takes to get it resolved. . . Let's figure out the fastest path."

6. **In your courtroom, Don't**: "Don't come unprepared. Your client deserves better. It's not common, but it happens."

7. **Most valuable experience**: Litigating South Carolina's suit against the video poker industry in the 1990s, including arguing the landmark case before the state Supreme Court that put the industry out of business. "I think all the lawyers probably got a second legal education."

8. **Is there a legal figure you particularly admire?** Judge J. Waties Waring, a U.S. District Judge in Charleston from 1942 to 1952. He is best known for his dissent in favor of integration as part of a three-judge panel reviewing Briggs v. Elliott, a Clarendon County, S.C. school desegregation case. Briggs was one of four such cases heard by the U.S. Supreme Court and known by the name of the lead case, Brown v. Board of Education. In overturning segregated schools, the Supreme Court quoted from Waring's dissent in stating that "Separate educational facilities are inherently unequal." Judge Gergel hopes to post a copy of Judge Waring's Briggs dissent in the Charleston federal courthouse to commemorate the 60th anniversary of that decision next year. The original is in the National Archives.

9. **What would you change about the American judicial system?** In addition to making justice more swift, he would reduce the partisan rancor surrounding the confirmation of federal judges. "I've come to know a lot of the nominees, and it's like winning the lottery to get through the system," Judge Gergel said. "I've always liked that in South Carolina, you wouldn't know which president nominated which judge - and that's the way it ought to be."

The Charleston Division
BRIDGE PROGRAM
A Federal Drug Court

Inspired by the joint desire of our local Judiciary, U.S. Attorney's Office, and Federal Defender's Office, to put in process evidence based practices to combat the revolving door of recidivism; Charleston was tasked with piloting the design and implementation of a Federal Drug Court. The mission of a drug court is to play a significant role in ending the abuse of drugs and alcohol and related criminal activity.

Drug courts promote recovery and community safety through a coordinated response to substance abusing and addicted offenders. Realization of these goals required a team approach, including cooperation and collaboration of the judges, prosecutors, public defender's office, defense counsel, probation authorities, other corrections personnel, law enforcement, evaluators, an array of local service providers, and the greater community. State-level organizations representing law enforcement and criminal justice, vocational rehabilitation, education, and housing also have important roles to play.

The combined energies of these individuals and organizations can assist and encourage defendants to, on a voluntary basis, make a reciprocal effort which could ultimately change their lives.

Several months of conducting a significant amount of research, information gathering from successful state and federal drug courts across the country, and the collaboration of a cross-section of the key stake-holders who share a passion for the potential positive impact this may have, has been challenging yet fruitful. The process of identifying suitable candidates who meet the established criteria has begun.

We are pleased to announce that the District of South Carolina's first Federal Drug Court, entitled The BRIDGE Program, was established in the Charleston Division. If you would like additional information please contact **Lori L. Johnson, U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services Officer, (843) 579-1529; or Lori_Johnson@scp.uscourts.gov**

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If you are a member of the Charleston County Bar Association who has not submitted a picture for the Lawyer Directory on our website, please do so by e-mailing a picture to:
jholzel@ycrlaw.com

Please check the contact information listed on our website to ensure all information is correct.

SAVE THE DATE:

Ninth Annual "What Works for Me" CLE
February 4, 2011
American Theater, King Street
MORE DETAILS AT A LATER DATE

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"Commitment to Justice" Award Reception honoring Judge Richard E. Fields on Thursday, February 10, 2011 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the "Chrystal Ballroom" at the Marriott Riverview Hotel at 170 Lockwood Blvd. Cocktails and Heavy Hors D'oeuvres with Jazz Vocals by Ann Caldwell. Contact Tish Lynn to be recognized as a special sponsor at: (843) 745-7055. Reserve your tickets ($100 each) by calling Jackie Wilson at the same number or purchase them online at: www.heirsproperty.org.

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The Charleston Law Review of the Charleston School of Law and the Riley Institute at Furman University will host their third annual Law & Society Symposium/CLE on February 17-18, 2011. This year's program will explore issues related to the First Amendment, with a focus on freedom of speech. For more information, contact Prof. Will Cook at wcook@charlestonlaw.edu.

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Charleston County Bar Association Annual Meeting and Reception
February 23, 2010
Francis Marion Hotel
5:30 p.m.
(Invitations to go out February 1))

CHARLESTON COUNTY BAR SEEKS MENTORS

The Charleston County Bar is partnering with the South Carolina Commission on Continuing Legal Education to recruit mentors for new members of the Bar in Charleston County. The need for mentors is critical. Approximately 280 new lawyers were sworn in on November 29, 2010. Mentors will be instrumental in perpetuating the quality of practice and civility for which Charleston is renowned.

The partnership between the Charleston County Bar and the Commission is in response to the December 2008 Supreme Court Order establishing the Lawyer Mentoring Second Pilot Program. This program is required for all persons admitted to the South Carolina Bar between March 1, 2009 and January 1, 2011. In pairing new lawyers with more experienced lawyers, the program is designed to ease the transition from student to professional. The goals are to assist new lawyers with the development of professional and personal skills, values, and judgment consistent with the ideals of the profession.

L. Donette Welch with the SC Supreme Court Commission on CLE & Specialization has been designated as the Mentoring Coordinator and is available to answer questions about the program. She can be contacted at (803) 799-5578 or by email at commcle@bellsouth.net. Additional information regarding the mentoring program can be found on the Commission's Web site at www.commcle.org.

By participating in the mentoring program you will be providing a meaningful service to the Court, the legal community, and the public. Your participation will not only serve as a mechanism to improve the quality of our profession but it will also qualify you to receive four (4) hours of CLE credit to include two (2) hours of legal ethics once the mentoring period is complete.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this exciting project.

Charleston County Bar Meeting 1847

By: Ruth W. Cupp

At a meeting of the Charleston County Bar Association, held May 11, 1847 Constitutional lawyer and US Senator Daniel Webster made the following remarks, which were printed in The Courier, a local newspaper.

"I love our common profession. I regard it as a great ornament and one of the chief defenses and securities of free institutions. It is indispensable to and conservative of public liberty. "I honor it from the bottom of my heart. If I am anything, it is the law that has made me what I am," said Daniel Webster.

Webster, at that time, was a powerful voice for northern industries. In the spring of 1847, he was in the south exploring the possibility of running for President of the United States.

"The profession," Webster, was further quoted the newspaper as saying "might not always lead to wealth, it enables us to do what was infinitely better and more important- to do good in our day and generation…the condensed history of most, if not all, good lawyers was that they lived well and died poor."

Local attorney, Henry A. DeSaussure is described as "senior practicing lawyer, the bland and courteous Chief Patriarch of the profession presided. A number of retired members of the Bar participated in the festive scene, attracted by the desire to do honor to one who conferred such honor on the profession."

"The feast was got up, by that first rate caterer, Lee, in his very best style, the tables presenting a combination of substantials and luxuries fit for Epicurus; and the rich and copious supply of Madeira, Champagne and Hock (Rhine wine) being worthy to fill the goblet and be quaffed by the rosy lips of Bacchus himself."

"The legal fraternity richly enjoyed the scene; speech and toast, sentiment and song, wit, humor and anecdote, combining to give interest and conviviality to the grateful occasion," wrote the newspaper reporter.

Sitting with Daniel Webster at the head table was the Unionist, James Lewis Petigru and Chief Justice of the state Supreme Court Belton O'Neal.

"James Lewis Petigru, Esquire rose, and with his wonted felicity, dwelt for some time on the law as the noblest of human sciences,…" reported The Courier.

"The St. Andrews Society building was then on the north side of Broad between what we now know was the John Rutledge home and the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist," explains G. Sims McDowell, III of the current Charleston Bar.

PRO BONO MOMENTS

By: Marvin H. Feingold, Esquire

The Chief Justice's Commission on the Profession, which has outlined a Lawyer Mentoring Program, is a response to the reality many law graduates in recent years have found; a shortage of jobs has hurt in terms not only of income but also in terms of professional development and practical experience. The day of new attorneys learning the practical skills and ethos of law practice from their first employers, has become a relative rarity.

Today, thanks to the Chief Justice's Mentoring Plan whereby, would-be mentors gain CLE credit by guiding new lawyers, we can hope that all new lawyers will have access to needed guidance only available from an experienced attorney. The Charleston Bar which has always in my view, been nurturing to each new flock of lawyers can now get CLE credit in the process. Mentoring in the context of Pro Bono can potentially further both educational and public service objectives.

The Mentoring Program structure is a good compliment to the Pro Bono model. Engaging new lawyers in cases for low income clients with more experienced attorneys in a mentoring capacity seems a perfect fit. Imagine for example, Attorney Jones is a Probate attorney with 25 years of experience and wishes to do some Pro Bono work but cannot take on a new client. Attorney Jones could spend a couple of hours at the Pro Bono office, interview a client and help a volunteer new

lawyer work up the required documents needed in a probate case. The experienced attorney would gain CLE credit for having mentored a new attorney who would in turn benefit from the guidance of the experienced volunteer.

Charleston Pro Bono is in the process of transition from a federally funded to a locally funded program. We have recently received some much needed funding from local foundations and appreciate the continued support of the Charleston County Bar Association.

Please think of Charleston Pro Bono when making year end donations.

CHARLESTON PRO BONO  LEGAL SERVICES, INC.

LAWYER or Firm Name:

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Contact:_____ Address:_____

Title: _____.

CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

(Court schedules are changing constantly; please verify current information through S.C. Court Administration or by checking the South Carolina Judicial Department website at http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/calendar/index.cfm.)

January 3	**January 10**	**January 17**	**January 24**
9th AW - Harrington Chas CP - Jefferson Chas CP - Young Berk GS - Dennis	Chas CP - Harrington Chas CP - Young Chas GS - Jefferson Chas GS - Hughston 9th CPNJ - Dennis	9th CPNJ/ - Jefferson Chas CP - Harrington Chas CP - Young Chas GS - Dennis Chas GS - Hughston	9th CPNJ - Nicholson 9th CPNJ/ - Young PCR Chas CP - Hughston Chas CP - Jefferson Berk GS - Dennis Berk CP - Harrington
January 31	**February 7**	**February 14**	**February 21**
Chas CP - Dennis Chas CP - Harrington Chas GS - Jefferson Chas GS - Young	9th CPNJ - Young Chas CP - Hughston Chas CP - Harrington Chas GS - Dennis Chas GS - Jefferson		9th CPNJ. - Jefferson Chas CP - Harrington Chas GS - Nicholson Chas GS - Hughston
February 28	**March 7**	**March 14**	**March 21**
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March 28			
9th CPNJ. - Young Chas CP - Hughston Chas GS - Nicholson Chas GS - Jefferson Berk CP - Harrington			

CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 3	**January 10**	**January 17**	**January 24**
1st CPNJ - Dickson Dor GS - Goodstein	Dor GS - Goodstein	Dor GS - Goodstein	Dor CP - Goodstein
January 31	**February 7**	**February 14**	**February 21**
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February 28	**March 7**	**March 14**	**March 21**
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March 28			
Dor GS - Goodstein			

FAMILY COURT SCHEDULE - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 3	January 10	January 17	January 24
Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Cate Chas - Sprott Chas - Fuge Chas - Long Berk - Creech Berk - Landis	Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Cate Chas - Vinson Chas - Jenkinson Berk - Landis Berk - Creech	Chas - McMahon Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Cate Chas - Fuge Chas - Holt Berk - Landis Berk - Creech	Chas - McMahon Chas - Creech Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Cate Berk - Landis Berk - Jenkinson
January 31	**February 7**	**February 14**	**February 21**
Chas - McMahon Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Landis Chas - Jenkinson Berk - Creech Berk - Cate		Chas - McMahon Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Henderson Chas - Cate Berk - Creech Berk - Landis	Chas - McMahon Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Cate Chas - Jenkinson Berk - Creech Berk - Landis
February 28	**March 7**	**March 14**	**March 21**
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March 28			
Chas - Creech Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Jenkinson Chas - Sprott Chas - Fuge Berk - Cate Berk - Landis			

FAMILY COURT SCHEDULE - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 3	January 10	January 17	January 24
Dor - McLin Dor - Wylie	Dor - Wylie Dor - Sprott	Dor - McLin	Dor - McLin
January 31	**February 7**	**February 14**	**February 21**
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February 28	**March 7**	**March 14**	**March 21**
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CHARLESTON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS JURY VERDICTS

(Information supplied by Clerk of Court's Office)

08-CP-10-4134	John Derricotte and Arline Derricotte. vs. Brenda G. Scott
Attorneys:	Plaintiffs: Jackson Whipper Defendant: Natalie Byars Fisher
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident
Verdict:	For the Plaintiff Arline Derricotte in the amount of $49,159 actual damages.

08-CP-10-7179	Harold A. Steele vs. Universal Maritime Services Corporation, d/b/a APM Terminals and George E. Manigault
Attorneys:	Plaintiff: Malcolm M. Crosland, Jr. Defendants: Julian H. Hines
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident
Verdict:	For the Plaintiff in the amount of $1,125,000.00 actual damages.

09-CP-10-2186	RS Custom Homes, LLC vs/.Elizete Cabral Boris, Robert Boris and Cabral Clean, LLC
Attorneys:	Plaintiff: James Hinchey Defendant: Grover B. Seaton
Cause of Action:	Personal Injury
Verdict:	For the Defendant.

09-CP-10-3066	Elizabeth Smoak vs. Medical University of South Carolina
Attorneys:	Plaintiff: Bert G. Utsey, III and Lee D Cope Defendant: Hugh W. Buyck and G. Wade Cooper
Cause of Action:	Medical Malpractice
Verdict:	For the Defendant.

09-CP-10-3079	Louis B. Tollerson vs. Rhonda McLain
Attorneys:	Plaintiff: Raymond S. Baumil Defendant: Max G. Mahaffee
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident
Verdict:	For the Plaintiff in the amount of $5,000.00 actual damages.

09-CP-10-4049	Brenda Lewis vs. Suzette H. White	
Attorneys:	Plaintiff:	Brian Warden
	Defendant:	Michael J. Ferri
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident	
Verdict:	For the Plaintiff in the amount of $3,754.00 actual damages.	

09-CP-10-4490	Thomas M. Gibbs, Low Country Land Mine, LLC and PEP Properties, Inc. vs. Richard D. Lacey and HLA, Inc.	
Attorneys:	Plaintiffs:	David Haller
	Defendants:	Stephanie Burton
Cause of Action:	Malpractice	
Verdict:	For the Defendants.	

09-CP-10-4838	Anastasio Washington vs. Elyse Cordel Armstrong	
Attorneys:	Plaintiff:	Kyle Michael Hobbs
	Defendant:	Jeffrey A. Ross
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident	
Verdict:	For the Defendant.	

09-CP-10-4887	Louis Palmer vs. Justin G. Cantore	
Attorneys:	Plaintiff:	Keith E. Robinson
	Defendant:	Michael J. Ferri
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident	
Verdict:	For the Plaintiff in the amount of $4,000.00 actual damages.	

09-CP-10-5403	Ulysses Roper vs. Kim H. Przyborowski	
Attorneys:	Plaintiff:	Daniel A. Beck
	Defendant:	John L. McDonald, Jr.
Cause of Action:	Motor Vehicle Accident	
Verdict:	For the Plaintiff in the amount of $6,117.00 actual damages.	

10-CP-10-2695	William Floyd a/k/a Jeff Floyd, Troy Readen, and Edward McCracken a/k/a Eddie McCracken vs. The Town of Hollywood

Attorneys:	Plaintiffs:	Thomas Goldstein
	Defendant:	Hugh Buyck and Katie Monoc
Cause of Action:	Judgment/Settlement	
Verdict:	For the Defendant in the First and Second Causes of Action; For the Plaintiffs in the amount of $450,000.00 actual damages for the Third Cause of Action.	

FEDERAL COURT JURY VERDICTS

(There were no Federal Court Jury Verdicts for this quarter)