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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



### Right-Mindedness

"Right-mindedness" seems an inartful term – ambiguous, subject to shades of meaning, so flexible it conveys no concrete meaning. But it's the right term to describe an almost palpable common feature I see among our membership, and especially in

those we really get behind, the ones we cheer.

If you recently joined us at the Annual Holiday Party at the Aquarium on December 10th, you saw three examples of right-mindedness: 1) Mayor Joe Riley; 2) Judge Michael Duffy; and 3) each other.

The event was spectacular. Festooned with bright green and silver (the hand of Natalie Bluestein is everywhere), the Aquarium teemed with schools of lawyers, those hundreds in attendance. We came together as we do on occasion to connect with one another and to celebrate our good fortune in being Charleston lawyers. We came together in the dappled light of the fish tanks also to honor some remarkable men. A beautiful night, a successful night, but back now to our three examples in attendance that evening.

Mayor Joe Riley spent the last forty years in public service for the right reasons. There is an earnestness, a personal responsiveness to the clarion call of underserved, public goals. His response has less to do with any personal promotion than with providing a benefit to people who are usually not even in the room. Modest people, forgotten people, important people, but people without his ability to assemble a vision into a reality, one often many years down the road. This particular form of right-mindedness is rare because it takes so many skill sets, any of which alone would be a considerable gift. So one element of right-mindedness is a selfless vision.

If Judge Michael Duffy cannot make you smile, you have personality challenges. Famous for his good sense and wit (and they are both plentiful in him), I don't think either of those is his greatest gifts. His greatest gift is his instinct to treat people well. The Bar loves him because not only is he one of us, a friend, but because he also can be relied upon for an even hand. We're all cocky enough to think that's all we need. Judge Duffy's form of right-mindedness is a willingness to carefully listen, and a good-natured recognition of what's common-sensically fair.

What do these have to do with you, the third example? Let me answer by telling you about Taylor Morris. Taylor is a recent graduate of the Charleston School of Law who serves on the Bar Association's Executive Committee. He attended almost every meeting which could have been interesting to him in only the most abstract way. But Taylor persevered. He interrupted when he needed to. When the topic of a recent Diversity and Inclusion Seminar arose, he followed up on a suggestion we had for the first-time use of the Square device, a payment system which allows us to charge non-CCBA members for registration at the Seminar site, benefitting both our registration numbers and the registrant. Taylor attended, endured, showed up at the Seminar to register attendees and operate the device for us, and in these ways contributed very good help for the common good. Sometimes right-mindedness is about hanging in there and doing practical things in furtherance of an overarching goal.

Like Taylor, you continue your membership with the CCBA. Your attendance and participation in our CLE seminars, Bar-related committees and events, and at our Annual Holiday Event and Annual Meeting make you part of the glue of our organization, a group that shares your innate appreciation of right-mindedness. We need and appreciate your vision, your good judgment, and your contributions in whatever form they may take. Thanks for always making me proud to be a Charleston lawyer.

## JUDICIAL NOTICE

### United States Magistrate Judge for the District of South Carolina, Judge Bristow Marchant

By: TAC Hargrove II, Charleston School of Law, class of 2016

**Born:** 1955, Columbia, SC

**Appointed:** 1992

**Education:** B.A., College of Charleston, 1977; J.D., University of South Carolina School of Law, 1980

**Career:** Judge Marchant began his career in 1980 as staff counsel to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee. He then worked for the Office of the South Carolina Attorney General in 1982 and 1983. In addition, for a short time in 1983 he was the Assistant Chief Counsel for the S.C. Department of Highways and Public Transportation. From there, Judge Marchant practiced with the firm of Adams, Quackenbush, Herring & Stuart, P.A. until his judicial appointment in 1992.

**Family:** Wife, Betsy; Sons, Bristow (30) and Madison (28); Daughter, Sallie (26)

- 1. What the bar would be surprised to learn:** Judge Marchant taught Constitutional Law as an adjunct professor at the College of Charleston and served a term on the Richland County Council.
- 2. Personal life away from the bench:** Judge Marchant is an avid reader, and especially enjoys biographies. In addition, he enjoys taking the boat out and fishing in and around the Isle of Palms.
- 3. Best part about being a judge:** "I really enjoy working with the people at the courthouse." In particular, Judge Marchant appreciates working with his clerks and judicial assistant.
- 4. Hardest part about being a judge:** "The workload!" Judge Marchant stated that everyone wants things to move quickly, but with the volume of cases it does not always move as fast as people hope. In addition, Judge Marchant noted that it is difficult to predict how quickly a case might move because you never know when a case might settle or which cases might go to trial.
- 5. In your courtroom, DO:** "Be prepared!" Judge Marchant says that he always reads the briefs presented by parties prior to a hearing, so at oral argument he wants to hear something that he does not already know. Judge Marchant went on to say that if an attorney needs to have someone stand in for them, the covering attorney should know the basic information about the case and file so that the case can continue to move forward.  
  
"If y'all are prepared, I'll be prepared."
- 6. In your courtroom, DON'T:** One of Judge Marchant's pet peeves is when attorneys become argumentative with each other in court. Attorneys should treat each other in a civil manner and should stand when speaking and address the court or a witness instead of opposing counsel.
- 7. Advice to young lawyers:** "Lawyers need to understand that if they want a hearing, they should ask for it." Judge Marchant elaborated stating, "if I read the briefs, and they are well done, I may just issue an order." Judge Marchant also referenced that as a young attorney it is good to focus on a particular area of law because the laws are so complex.
- 8. What experience best prepared you for the bench?** "The wide variety of experience was the best preparation for me." Prior to joining the bench Judge Marchant worked in private practice doing white collar business litigation, but also spent time working with the South Carolina Office of the Attorney General where he was able to prosecute cases. In addition, Judge Marchant noted that his work with the Senate Judiciary Committee and his time on the County Council helped broaden his legal experience.
- 9. What would you change about the American Judicial System?** "I think it works pretty well." However, Judge Marchant also added that because the confirmation process has become so politicized, it has become more difficult for Article 3 judges to be confirmed

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The Executive Committee of the Charleston County Bar Association will have five potential openings for the 2016-17 Bar year, commencing in March, due the expiration of certain terms.

Also, there will be vacancies to be filled for President-Elect and Secretary Treasurer. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please send the nomination to Julie Holzel at [secretary@charlestoncountybar.org](mailto:secretary@charlestoncountybar.org). Nominations are due before January 15, 2016.

Certain requirements apply. Please review the qualifications which are listed in the Bylaws on the CCBA website.

## Important Information about the CCBA's Website and New E-Blast System

By: Maria Aselage, PR Consultant

This is an exciting time in regards to technology for the Charleston County Bar Association! Over the past few months, we have launched a new website with a searchable database and incorporated MailChimp as our new e-blast platform. The Executive Committee hopes that you find both online tools useful as a member of the CCBA.

To better serve you and the membership of the CCBA, the Executive Committee is asking you to keep all your contact information up-to-date within the new online database.

- If you have not yet done so, we ask that you go to the home page of the CCBA website ([www.charlestoncountybar.org](http://www.charlestoncountybar.org)) and type your name in the "Search Attorneys" box. If your name does not show up, please email me at [info@charlestoncountybar.org](mailto:info@charlestoncountybar.org) and I will add you to the database.
- If your directory listing is incomplete or if you need to add a photo, login to the attorney only section of the website by clicking the "Attorney Login" button and you will be able to update your personal information.

- If you don't remember your password for the site, click on the "Attorney Login" button on the upper right corner of the homepage, type in the email address you registered with the CCBA, and click the "forget?" link. That will send an email to you that will allow you to set or reset your password.

As a reminder, once you are logged in, you will have access to information on CLEs, various CCBA events, attorney job openings and volunteer opportunities.

In regards to the e-blasts, if you are not receiving the correspondence in the new MailChimp format, please contact Julie Holzel at [secretary@charlestoncountybar.org](mailto:secretary@charlestoncountybar.org). She will add your email address to the mailing list as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the website or the new e-blast system, feel free to email me or call me at (843) 513-7605.

I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming CCBA event.

**Please take a few minutes to log in to the Charleston County Bar website ([www.Charlestoncountybar.org](http://www.Charlestoncountybar.org)) and check to be sure that all of your contact information is correct. We are finding that the information on the South Carolina Bar website and the Charleston County Bar website is not always identical. It is very important that we have correct information from each of you in order to have accurate records. This will only take a few minutes of your time and we would very much appreciate each of you doing this.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Crystal & Giannoni-Crystal, LLC** is pleased to announce that **Allyson Haynes Stuart** is now Of Counsel to the firm. Allyson is practicing attorney and a scholar focusing on privacy, data security, and e-discovery issues.

**Finkel Law Firm LLC** is pleased to announce that **Hannah V. Gallagher** and **Aliecia M. Bores** have joined the firm as associate attorneys in the Charleston office.

**K&L Gates'** Charleston office is pleased to welcome two new associates: **Richard Doelling** and **Meg Sawyer**. Richard will be joining the firm's Corporate practice group, and Meg will be joining the firm's Labor, Employment and Workplace Safety practice group.

**Nowell S. Lesser, Attorney at Law** announces the relocation of his office to 825 Lowcountry Boulevard, Suite 201, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464.

**McAngus Goudelock & Courie**, a regional insurance defense firm, is pleased to announce the addition of **Zack Jarrett** to the firm's Charleston office. Jarrett's practice focuses on workers' compensation.

**Oberman & Oberman** are pleased to announce the relocation of their firm to 60 Markfield Drive, Suite, Charleston, SC 29407. Phone number, fax number and e-mail address remain the same.

The law firm of **Rosen Hagood** is pleased to announce that **Liam D. Duffy** has joined the firm as an associate attorney. Duffy will focus his litigation practice in the areas of business litigation and personal injury.

**Barnwell Whaley Patterson & Helms, LLC** is pleased to announce the addition of **Guy M. Dabbs, IV** as an associate attorney. Mr. Dabbs counsels businesses ranging from startups to larger corporations serving global markets in the areas of general business, corporate, and transactional law, including matters related to commercial transactions, corporate management, commercial real estate, intellectual property and real property.

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## COURT SCHEDULES

(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>.)

### CIRCUIT COURT - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 4		January 11		January 18		January 25	
Chas GS	- Goodstein	Chas CP/NJ	- Harrington	Chas CP/NJ	- Hughston	Chas CP/NJ	- Newman
Chas GS	- Harrington	Chas CP/NJ	- Young, R.	Chas CP/NJ	- Nicholson	Chas CP/NJ	- Hughston
Chas GS	- Jefferson	Chas GS	- Lee	Chas CP/NJ	- Jefferson	Chas CP/NJ	- Nicholson
9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Dennis	Chas GS	- Hughston	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ/PCR	- Gravelly	Chas CP/NJ	- Mullen
Berk GS/SGJ	- Young, W.	Chas GS	- Dennis	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Hill	9 <sup>th</sup> GSNJ	- Jefferson
Berk CP/NJ	- Young, R.	Berk GS	- Jefferson	Berk CPNJ	- Dennis	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Murphy
		9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Nicholson	BerkCPNJ	- Couch	Berk GS	- Buckner
				AW	- Young, R.	Berk GS	- Culbertson

  

February 1		February 8		February 15		February 22	
9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Hood	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Goodstein	Chas CP/NJ	- Dennis	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Nicholson
Chas CP/NJ	- Lee	Chas CP/NJ	- Young, R.	Chas CP/NJ	- Jefferson	Chas CP/NJ	- Harrington
Chas CP/NJ	- Young, R.	Chas CP/NJ	- Harrington	Chas CP/NJ	- Nicholson	Chas CP/NJ	- Young, R.
Chas GS	- Cothran	Chas GS	- Jefferson	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Harrington	Chas CP/NJ	- Mullen
Chas GS	- Jefferson	Chas GS	- Dennis	Berk CP/NJ	- Young, R.	9 <sup>th</sup> GSNJ	- Jefferson
Chas GS	- Maddox	Chas GS	- Young, W.	Berk GS	- Mullen		
Berk CP/NJ	- Dennis						

  

February 29		March 7		March 14		March 21	
Chas CP/NJ	- Dennis			Chas CP/NJ	- Dennis	9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Nicholson
Chas CP/NJ	- Maddox			Chas CP/NJ	- Young, R.	Chas CP/NJ	- Newman
Chas GS	- Harrington			Chas GS	- Hughston	Chas CP/NJ	- Dennis
Chas GS	- Young, R.			Chas GS	- Nicholson	Chas CP/NJ	- Harrington
Chas GS	- Goodstein			Chas GS	- Keesley	9 <sup>th</sup> GSNJ	- Jefferson
Berk CP/NJ	- Cothran			Berk GS	- Hayes, M.	Berk CP/NJ	- Hood
Berk GS	- Jefferson			Berk GS	- Harrington		

  

March 28	
9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ	- Murphy <sup>(1)</sup>
Chas CP/NJ	- Hughston
Chas CP/NJ	- Hyman
Berk GS	- Dennis

### CIRCUIT COURT - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 4		January 11		January 18		January 25	
Dor GS	- Dickson	Dor CP/NJ	- Goodstein	1 <sup>st</sup> CP/NJ	- Dickson	Dor CP/NJ	- Harrington
		Dor GS	- Murphy				

  

February 1		February 8		February 15		February 22	
Dor CP/NJ	- Dickson	Dor GS	- Dickson			1 <sup>st</sup> CPNJ/PCR	- Murphy
Dor GS	- Murphy					Dor CP/NJ	- Buckner

  

February 29		March 7		March 14		March 21	
1 <sup>st</sup> GS/NJ	- Dickson			Dor GS	- Goodstein	Dor CP/NJ	- Murphy
						Dor GS	- Dickson

  

March 28	

FAMILY COURT - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 4		January 11		January 18		January 25	
Chas	- McMahon	Chas	- McMahon	Chas	- McLin	Chas	- McMahon
Chas	- Creech	Chas	- Morris	Chas	- Cate	Chas	- Long
Chas	- Sprott	Chas	- Guyton	Chas	- Sprott	Chas	- Martin
Chas	- Martin	Chas	- Martin	Chas	- Snelgrove	Chas	- Buckhannon
Berk	- Richter	Berk	- Creech	Chas	- Richter	Chas	- Richter
Berk	- Landis	Berk	- Landis	Berk	- Creech	Berk	- Cate
				Berk	- Landis	Berk	- Bromell Holmes

February 1		February 8		February 15		February 22	
Chas	- McMahon	Chas	- Martin <sup>(8)</sup>	Chas	- Cate	Chas	- McMahon
Chas	- Cate	Chas	- McMahon <sup>(9)</sup>	Chas	- Snelgrove	Chas	- Morehead
Chas	- Sprott	Chas	- Cate <sup>(10-11)</sup>	Chas	- Martin	Chas	- McLin
Chas	- Fuge	Chas	- Richter <sup>(12)</sup>	Chas	- Buckhannon	Chas	- Cate
Chas	- Martin			Chas	- Richter <sup>(17-19)</sup>	Chas	- Martin
Berk	- Creech			Berk	- Landis	Berk	- Creech
Berk	- Landis			Berk	- Guyton	Berk	- Bromell Holmes

February 29		March 7		March 14		March 21	
Chas	- Fraley	Chas	- Morehead	Chas	- McMahon	Chas	- McMahon
Chas	- Morris	Chas	- Fuge	Chas	- Cate	Chas	- Fraley
Chas	- Martin	Chas	- Martin	Chas	- Bromell Holmes	Chas	- Cate
Chas	- McGee	Chas	- McGee	Chas	- Guyton	Chas	- Martin
Chas	- Richter	Chas	- Richter	Chas	- Martin	Berk	- Morehead
Berk	- McLin	Berk	- Creech	Chas	- Richter	Berk	- Richter
Berk	- Fuge	Berk	- Landis <sup>(7-10)</sup>	Berk	- Landis		
		Berk	- Cate	Berk	- Smithdeal		

March 28	
Chas	- Morris
Chas	- McMahon <sup>(28-29)</sup>
Chas	- Snelgrove <sup>(29-1)</sup>
Chas	- McMahon <sup>(31-1)</sup>

FAMILY COURT - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

January 4		January 11		January 18		January 25	
Dor	- McLin	Dor	- McLin	Dor	- Wylie	Dor	- Wylie
Dor	- Wylie	Dor	- Jones			Dor	- McGee

February 1		February 8		February 15		February 22	
Dor	- McLin			Dor	- McLin	Dor	- Wylie
Dor	- McGee			Dor	- Jones	Dor	- McGee

February 29		March 7		March 14		March 21	
Dor	- McLin	Dor	- McLin	Dor	- Jones	Dor	- Wylie
Dor	- Wylie	Dor	- Wylie	Dor	- McGee	Dor	- McGee

March 28	
Dor	- McLin



## THE BENEFITS OF MENTORING

As Expressed by Mentors Participating in the South Carolina Lawyer Mentoring Program

### ❖ **Paying It Forward**

"Seeing the progression of a young lawyer is very rewarding. I was very fortunate to have wonderful mentors during my career and feel that it is a very important aspect of the practice of law."

### ❖ **Validation of Your Own Accomplishments**

"The greatest benefit of mentoring is teaching a new lawyer the valuable lessons I have learned in the course of my career, especially with balancing a personal and professional life."

### ❖ **Renewed Sense of Purpose**

"The greatest benefit was having the new lawyer's enthusiasm for the practice of law rub off on me. After twelve years practicing law, it was refreshing to see that perspective again."

### ❖ **Staying Adaptable**

"It gave me a different perception of a law practice. Since I have been out for 30+ years, and in my present position for 14 years, I haven't "looked around" the legal world much in recent years."

### ❖ **Enhanced Personal and Professional Development**

"Mentoring forces an attorney to self-evaluate, which is important and necessary for personal growth."

"It has been beneficial to understand and consider a younger lawyer's perspective on the practice of law and career prospects within the profession."

### ❖ **Pride and Satisfaction in Mentee's Accomplishments**

"I find great joy in watching a young lawyer develop. Being a teacher also forces you to practice what you preach, which is a good exercise for any lawyer."

"I simply enjoy it. The practice of law can be grueling, and frankly, not as fun as you imagined it would be in law school. Mentoring new lawyers helps to renew your enthusiasm for the profession and remind you why you chose to be a lawyer."

Mentors who participate in the Lawyer Mentoring Program are asked to fill out an anonymous survey upon completion of a mentorship. The Benefits of Mentoring handout is a compilation of actual quotes from our mentors in response to the survey question: "What has been the greatest benefit of your participation in the Mentoring Program?"

These responses exemplify a few of the countless benefits that attorneys felt they gained from mentoring a new lawyer. To become a mentor and join our Program's tremendous journey, please contact Amanda E. Pittman at [mentorsc@bellsouth.net](mailto:mentorsc@bellsouth.net) or at (803) 799-5578.

## JURY VERDICTS

### CHARLESTON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS

(Information supplied by Clerk of Court's Office)

- 2012-CP-10-2411** Clifton Health, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Michelle Whiteside, deceased vs. Marcello Hochman, M.D., and the Facial Surgery Center, P.C.
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Steven M. Krause and John Kirkman Moorhead  
Defendants: Todd W. Smyth and Claudius O. Tackett, II
- Cause of Action:** Medical Malpractice
- Verdict:** For the Defendants.
- 2013-CP-10-1911** Larry Jackson vs, Robert Alan Davis
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Jackson Seth Whipper  
Defendant: Margaret Fanning Horn
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Defendant.
- 2013-CP-10-4621** Cleveland Brown vs. Alexis Nicole Arnold
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Kerry W. Koon  
Defendant: Trevor A. Cangelosi
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Defendant.
- 2014-CP-10-1904** Carlton M. Clemons vs. Steven Eames
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Matthew D. Hamrick  
Defendant: Margaret Fanning Horn
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Defendant.
- 2014-CP-10-3294** Ezekiel Moore vs. Edward Louis Picquet, Jr.
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Keith Robinson  
Defendant: James Sullivan
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$20,000.00 actual damages.
- 2014-CP-10-4273** Stephen Bell vs. Sharyn Blythe
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Jeffrey W. Buncher, Jr. and Phillip Hammond  
Defendant: Barrett R. Brewer
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Defendant.
- 2014-CP-10-4282** Robert Carter vs. John Brennan Egan
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Jonathan F. Krell  
Defendant: David S. Cobb
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Defendant.
- 2014-CP-10-4326** Julie Ann Drayton vs. Thomas Lemar Wright
- Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: James K. Holmes  
Defendant: Trevor A. Cangelosi
- Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident
- Verdict:** For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$1,007.00 actual damages.

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**FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT - CHARLESTON DIVISION**

(Information supplied by Clerk of Court's Office)

**2014-CP-10-5353** Quanesia M. Robinson vs. Milagros Caridad Hernandez

**Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Gary A. Ling  
Defendant: Kelly S. Cannon, Kate K. Hemmingway and James Sullivan

**Cause of Action:** Motor Vehicle Accident

**Verdict:** For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$4,750.00 actual damages.

**4:14-2276-RMG** Lavanda Dashun Butler vs. Officer (Mr.) Durant

**Attorneys:**  
Plaintiff: Christopher P. Kenney  
Defendant: Lisa Arlene Thomas and Daniel C. Plyler

**Cause of Action:** Prisoner Civil Rights (Prison Conditions)

**Verdict:** For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$10,000.00 actual damages and \$40,000.00 punitive damages.

**PRO BONO MOMENTS**

**By: Marvin H. Feingold, Esquire**

Director  
(Charleston) Pro Bono Legal Services, Inc.

The annual Holiday Party at the Aquarium was superlative and the venue would be difficult to beat. Kudos to the folks who put the event together. Congratulations to President, Jim Myrick for having a voice loud enough to quell the crowd for the ceremony unveiling the portrait of Judge Duffy.

Both Jim and Judge Duffy have been champions of Charleston Pro Bono. They have shown through their support of CPB, their recognition that we are fortunate to have a unique and successful model for the delivery of pro bono legal services in Charleston County. Over the past ten years, more than a thousand low income clients have been served by our volunteers. No other County bar association in the Southeastern U.S. has a Pro Bono Program comparable to ours.

We are certainly at a crossroads in this venture. With the impending retirement of the Director, we are searching a new Director, a person of vision with the energy and commitment to do the heavy lifting required. These responsibilities will involve heightening the public profile of the Program and ultimately increasing the flow of funding and volunteer services.

Over the past ten years of writing this quarterly column, personal references have been avoided by this author. I would like to say, thank you, to the Charleston County Bar Association members for the courtesy and kindness I have received in the course of my practice in Charleston over the past thirty-six years. As I prepare to retire from the practice of law (except that I intend to remain in volunteer status with CPB), I hope to maintain my membership in the CCBA and stay in touch.



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Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit located in Charleston, SC. Charleston Pro Bono is dedicated to providing legal services to low-income clients and does so by connecting clients with pro bono attorneys. We are looking for a talented individual for our Executive Director who can continue the growth and success of our mission.

**POSITION:** Executive Director

**MAJOR DUTIES:**

- Grant Management, including federal contracts and identification of new funding sources.
- Identify, coordinate, and manage fundraising projects, including Art on the Beach, Online Auctions, CLEs, and Banquets.
- Design and execute goals and strategies to implement local civil legal assistance, including developing a budget and obtaining the resources needed.
- Engage with the Board of Directors and provide detailed and open discussion of program.
- Promote and market program throughout community to increase local bar engagement.
- Develop and maintain internal systems for collecting, retrieving, and evaluating data regarding prospective clients, clients, volunteers, partner agencies, services provided, program operations, and outcomes.
- Facilitate timely and appropriate placement of and follow-up for cases with volunteers along with information regarding the nature of the problem and all available pertinent facts and documents.
- Establish priorities for the allocation of resources based upon identified client-community needs while taking into account the areas of interest and expertise of volunteers, volunteer need for specialized training and support, the priorities of other providers of legal aid and the potential for meaningful impact for the clients and community.
- Facilitate access by the client community, including addressing issues of language, disability and cultural differences.
- Offer training and mentoring to volunteers.
- Develop and utilize quantitative assessment of whether the objectives are achieved and periodically evaluate the operational effectiveness and implement appropriate automation and improvements.
- Identify potential partnerships and collaborate with other organizations to strengthen resources network and ability to connect clients with resources.
- Communicate a Clear Vision for the Program.

**REQUIRED EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, & SKILLS:**

- Bachelor's Degree.
- Five years of legal or business experience.
- Ability to recruit manage, and retain volunteers.
- Ability to represent the Program in high level settings that includes judges, law firm partners, law school faculty and deans, bar and legal association leaders, and the public through direct and mass media communications.
- Demonstrated management skills over a wide variety of people, projects, and resources.
- Proven collaboration and communication skills for high profile initiatives involving stakeholders across multiple organizations.
- Strong organizational, time management, analytical and problem solving, and oral and written communications skills with the ability to advocate persuasively for the Program's mission.

**PREFERRED ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

- J.D. from accredited law school.
- Prior experience as a practicing attorney in private practice or legal services.
- Experience in delivering or supporting pro bono legal services and/or recruiting others to deliver or support pro bono legal services.
- Demonstrated passion for seeking justice for low-income and vulnerable populations.
- Be an innovative, entrepreneurial leader who can develop and implement new strategies and operations, and who is able to manage projects from inception to completion.
- Ability to work well under pressure, set and meet deadlines, manage several priorities in a day all with minimal supervision.
- Demonstrated ability to design systems and to collect and maintain data.
- Advanced computer and technology skills including Microsoft Office, case management and customer relationship management, social media, and mobile and new technologies.
- Successful project planning and implementation, preferably across multiple teams or organizations.
- Experience in fundraising.
- Experience working with Boards of Directors.

To apply please send via email or mail a (1) Cover Letter, (2) Resume, and (3) List of three references to:

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**February 12, 2016**

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8.0 hours, including 2.0 hours of ethics (which could include 1.0 hour of mental health)  
Jury Assembly Room

**February 25, 2016**

Annual Meeting and Reception  
Francis Marion Hotel  
5:30 – 8:30 PM

### 2016 CHARLESTON COUNTY BAR DUES REMINDER

All Charleston County Bar members have received a bill for their 2016 annual bar dues from the South Carolina State Bar. You will not receive a bill from the Charleston County Bar for your 2016 dues; therefore, if you did not include your \$100.00 in payment of your Charleston County Bar dues along with your South Carolina Bar dues please remember to mail your dues now to P.O. Box 21136, Charleston, SC 29413 in order to remain on the active roster.

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