



Dauphin County Bar Association



February 2016

President's Message

As I begin my year as President of this organization, I would like to open by telling you a little about myself. I was born in Pittsburgh in 1971 and grew up thinking that the Steelers were supposed to win the Super Bowl every year. My family moved to Harrisburg in 1978. I attended Bishop McDevitt High School, headed back to Pittsburgh to attend college at Pitt, then back home to attend Widener Law. I was offered my first job by then District Attorney John Cherry and 5 years later moved on to private practice where I joined Mancke, Wagner, Tully and Spreha, now Wagner & Spreha. It was in the years after leaving the District Attorney's Office that I became more active in the Dauphin County Bar Association.

My legal connections began to expand beyond the criminal defense bar. I learned the value of the networking potential within our association and, more importantly, I developed great friendships. I became active in the young lawyers and was able to serve as their Chair. I look forward each year to the annual parties and picnic, Thursday night volleyball, the President's Dinner/Dance and of course, the Bench/Bar retreat. We have a great organization, great membership and a great staff working for us on Front Street. I am proud and humbled to have the opportunity to serve and lead this great organization over the next year.

Thank you.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Pamela C. Polacek passed on the gavel to our new incoming president **Edward F. Spreha, Jr.** at our Annual Meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at the Hilton Harrisburg.

Others assuming office include: **Matthew M. Haar**, President Elect; **Peter M. Good**, Vice President; **Brooks R. Foland**, Secretary; **Thomas P. Gacki**, Treasurer.

New Directors on the Board include: **Salvatore A. Darigo, Jr.**; **Gerald S. Robinson**, **Margaret M. Simok**, and **Ronald T. Tomasko**.



Outgoing Young Lawyer Chair, Nicole Antos receives an award from incoming President Amanda Batz.

Young Lawyers Annual Meeting

At the Young Lawyer Section meeting on January 6th, 2016, our Board said a fond farewell to outgoing Chair Nicole Antos. We want to thank Nicole for her years of service and support to the Section. Following the elections held at that meeting, **Joe Cardinale** became the new Chair-Elect, **Anthony Hoover** became the new Secretary, **Kristen Sinisi** became the new Treasurer, and we welcomed **Jessica Smith** as the new Social Chair. The Young Lawyers are looking forward to the upcoming year! Keep an eye out for emails regarding our upcoming events and service/pro bono opportunities!



2016 Young Lawyers Officers: Amanda A. Batz, Joseph P. Cardinale, Anthony M. Hoover, Kristen Sinisi and Jessica Smith.



DCBA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL MEETING



DCBA Secretary Matthew M. Haar with new members: Anita Alexander (Robinson & Geraldo, Lyndsay M. Conforto (MidPenn Legal Services); Thomas S. Markey (McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC), Daniel J. Bell-Jacobs (Howett, Kissinger & Holst, P.C.), Douglas G. Fogle (Caldwell & Kearns, P.C.), Jacquelyn R. Harris (Artell Law Group LLC) and President Judge Hon. Richard A. Lewis.

Welcome to All New Members

The following New Members were inducted into the Bar Association on Wednesday, January 27, 2016:

Anita Alexander	Celia L. Fasnacht
Erik R. Anderson	Douglas G. Fogle
Daniel J. Bell-Jacobs	Ryan T. Gonder
Joseph F. Canamucio	Jacquelyn R. Harris
Jason R. Carpenter	Ryan S. MacDonald
Kaitlyn Clarkson	Thomas S. Markey
Lyndsay M. Conforto	Aaron D. Martin
Christopher H. Cooper	David R. Osborne
Sean M. Cooper	Caleb K. Shreve
Dance F. Drier	

Congratulations!

DCBA ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTED

The 2016 DCBA Annual meeting was a great success this year for several reasons. We were able to honor a great firm for its commitment to diversity, a member whose pro bono service is unsurpassed and pay tribute to **Joyce Tambo** upon her well-deserved retirement.

The firm of **Pepper Hamilton LLC** was awarded the Honorable Clarence C. Morrison Award for 2016. Pepper has been a strong participant in the CAMP 1L program for nearly a decade and recognizes that diversity in characteristics and talent benefit their entire organization and community.

Steve Turner was awarded the Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year award for his lifetime commitment to serving disadvantaged individuals. Steve has provided this service in so many capacities and now makes it his mission in his retirement. He is a model for all to follow.

Congratulations to Pepper Hamilton and Steve for making our community a better place.

You can find video of the "Passing of the Gavel" at

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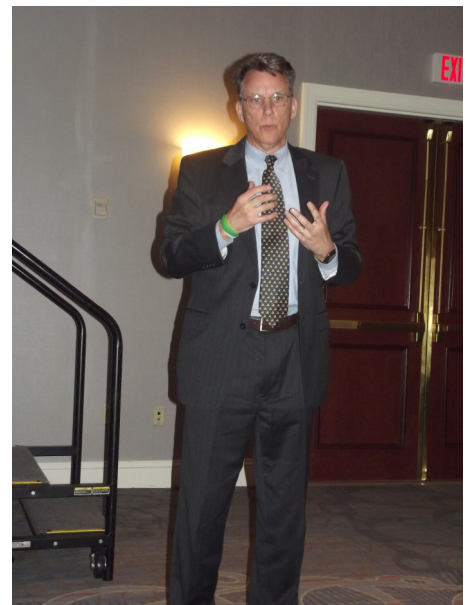
Thomas B. Schmidt, III; Brian P. Downey; Justin G. Weber; Royce Morris (DCBA EPOC Chair); Anne D. Newman and Kathleen Mullen with Pepper Hamilton accepted the 2016 Clarence C. Morrison Award.



Pepper Hamilton LLP
Attorneys at Law



Sandra A. Ballard (DCBA Pro Bono Coordinator); Pamela C. Polacek (DCBA Past-President) present Steven V. Turner with the 2016 Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year award.



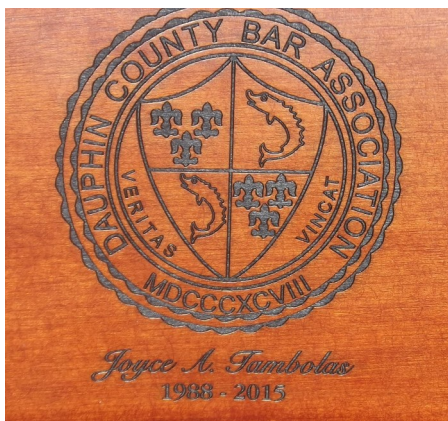
DCBA HONORS JOYCE A. TAMBOLAS



DCBA Young Lawyer Section Chair, Amanda Batz, presents Joyce Tambolas with a Gift Certificate to the Hershey Spa for her many years of dedication and service to the DCBA Young Lawyers.



DCBA Past President, Pamela Polacek presents Joyce with her Chair.



2016 DUES ARE NOW DUE!

All 2016 dues invoices were mailed to members in November, 2015 and are due in at the Bar Association by March 31, 2016. If you have not received your invoice, please call the Bar Association today to get a copy.

Membership Dues

MEMBER UPDATES

MEMBER
UPDATE



Vaishnavi Arshanapally has joined the firm Saxton & Stump, LLC.



John J. McNally, III has joined the firm of Salzmann Hughes, P.C.



Melissa Van Eck has joined the firm of Daley Zucker Meilton & Miner, LLC.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR 2015 CLE PRESENTERS

William L. Adler
Robert J. Baker
Sandra A. Ballard
Andrew W. Barbin
Audrey L. Buglione
Joseph T. Cawley
Robert E. Chernicoff
Robert R. Church
Kim Cole
Nancy Conrad
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Katherine S. Petruczok
Vince Robisch
Andrew M. Rongaus
Dana Roseman
Deb Salem
Ed Schwartz
Margaret Simok
Jonathan Spadea
James Strupe, Jr
Sarah Martin Torres
Ronald T. Tomasko
Hon. Jeannine Turgeon
Peter Train
John P. Weidman
Victoria White
Claudia Williams
Bradley A. Winnick





WHAT COMMITTEES DOES THE DCBA OFFER?

Here at the DCBA, we offer a variety of Committees that you can join to become more active. To the right is a list of those committees. If you wish to belong to one or more, please email bridgette@dcba-pa.org and I will be more than happy to add you to the list.

There is NO FEE to join a committee.

Alternative Dispute
Auto Law
Bylaws
Continuing Legal Education
Court Relations
Court Rules
Criminal Law
Equal Professional Opportunity
Fee Dispute
House
Insurance
Juvenile Law
Law Day

Membership
Memorial & Outreach
Military
Orphans Court Rules
Personnel
Public Service
Small & Solo Firm
Social
Social Media
Unauthorized Practice of Law
Veterans Law
Women in the Profession

SIGN UP FOR A DCBA SECTION TODAY!



Just like committees, the DCBA offers several sections that you may join to get more involved. If you would like to join a section, please email bridgette@dcba-pa.org and I will be more than happy to add you.

However, unlike the committees, there is a \$20 fee for the Young Lawyer Section and \$10 for each other Section. To the right is a list of our sections.

Bankruptcy Law Section
Estate Planning & Probate Section
Family Law Section
Government Law Section
Senior Lawyer Section (Attorneys 55 years and older)
Workers Compensation Section
Young Lawyers Section (An attorney who has not yet attained the age of 40, if so, was not first admitted to the practice of law in any jurisdiction more than 5 years prior thereto.



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DO YOU HAVE AN ARTICLE YOU THINK MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THE DCBA MEMBERSHIP?

If so, articles can be emailed to bridgette@dcba-pa.org.

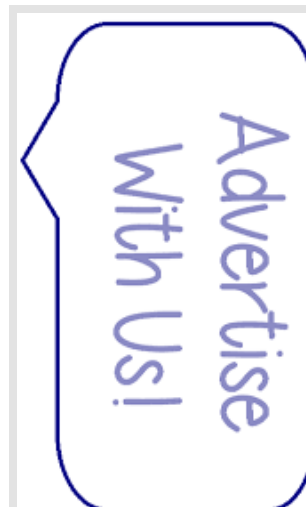
AD SPONSORS NOW BEING TAKEN FOR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Beginning with the March, 2016 DCBA Newsletter, you can now sponsor your law firm in our monthly newsletter.

Prices are below:

Business Card Ad: (3 1/2" x 2") \$25 per month
 Half Page Ad: (4 1/2 " x 5 1/2") \$50 per month
 Full Page Ad: (8 1/2" x 11") \$75 per month

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DAUPHIN COUNTY REPORTER NEWS



Dauphin County Reporter ADVANCE SHEET

(USPS #10-280)
A weekly Journal containing the decisions rendered in the 12th
Judicial District

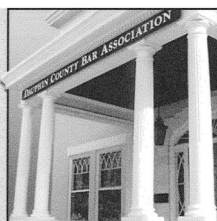
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TERMS: Advertisements must be received before 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday of each week at the office of the Dauphin County Reporter, 213 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA. 17101; Telephone: (717) 232-7536.

Bar Association Page

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BOUND VOLUME 125:

Every few years, after a page limit has been reached, it has been the traditional practice to bind the Reporter into volumes. This is a costly process and one that most bar associations no longer follow. As this page limit has been reached, we have decided that we will no longer undergo the binding process.

A zip/PDF file has been created and is now available for \$50. If you wish to receive this file,

please email bridgette@dcba-pa.org to receive information on how to obtain it.

ADVANCED SHEETS 126:

If you would like to receive a weekly subscription to the Dauphin County Reporter, please email bridgette@dcba-pa.org to receive information on purchasing a subscription.



Twice a year, the DCBA CLE committee will meet and discuss possible topics for lunch & learns for the year. If you have a specific topic you would like to add to the list for suggestions for the next CLE Committee meeting, please email your suggested topic to Bridgette@dcba-pa.org.

Thank you.

PRO BONO

FEB 23: PRO BONO LITIGATION SKILLS (FREE WEBCAST)

The Practicing Law Institute is offering a free webcast of a live presentation from San Francisco entitled Pro Bono Litigation Skills 2016 on **February 23, 2016 from Noon to 3:30 PM**. PLI's live webcasts qualify as "distance learning" credit. Attorneys are limited to 6 credits of distance learning per reporting period.

Panelists will discuss pro bono litigation practice with examples from consumer cases. The Panel will cover what you need to do in litigation from both plaintiff and defense perspectives, including drafting and responding to a complaint, motion practice, discovery, and trial. The training is designed for advocates with limited trial experience, but lawyers at all experience levels would benefit from attending.

What You Will Learn

- Drafting a complaint
- How to respond to a complaint
- Tips on discovery practice
- Settlement considerations
- Pointers on how to prepare for trial

Speakers:

- Sharon Djemal - Director, Consumer Clinic, East Bay Community Law Center
- Nelson Goodell - The Goodell Law Firm
- Elizabeth S. Letcher - Law Offices of Elizabeth Letcher
- Scott Maurer ~ Associate Clinical Professor in Consumer Law, Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center

More Information and Free Registration:

http://www.pli.edu/Content/Seminar/Pro_Bono_Litigation_Skills_2016_/N-4kZ1z111w3?No=75&ID=272741



PRO BONO PERFORMANCE

In 2016, our Pro Bono Program has:
Assisted 24 clients (based on new cases)
Donated 60 hours of legal services
Valued at \$9,000
Conducted 2 Pro Se Clinics

Additionally, our Lawyer Referral Program has fielded 44 calls and referred 44 clients, including 3 clients who qualified for Modest Means Panel. Thanks to all those who helped maintain this tradition of community service.

PRO BONO RECOGNITION

The following participants provided pro bono service during the month of JANUARY by accepting new clients, making a financial contribution to MidPenn Legal Services, participating in one of our pro bono programs, or conducting one of our family law clinics:

Attorneys

Neil Bakshi
 Jason R. Carpenter
 Robert F. Claraval
 Richard E. Connell
 Jeanne B. Costopoulos
 Robert H. Davis Jr.
 Stephen Dukes
 Michael A. Finio
 Donna L. Fisher
 Joshua S. Harshberger
 Stephen R. Krone
 Gina Lynne Lauffer
 Spencer G. Nauman Jr.
 Courtney Kishel Powell
 Delores Ritzman
 D. Troy Sellars
 Mark T. Silliker
 Richard B. Swartz
 Hilary P. Vesell

Paralegals

Isaac Huggins
 Alana Humphrey
 Tarcher Lowery
 Rose Merrick
 Melissa Miller

Students

Ashley Griffen

MARCH 17 PRO BONO CLE OFFERED

You are invited to attend "*Expand Your Custody/Dependency Practice to Represent Immigrant Children and Their Caretakers*," a CLE training on March 17 from Noon to 1:30 PM at the Dauphin County Bar Association. HIAS-Pennsylvania, with support from Stoneleigh Foundation, will present the training. The Luncheon will be available beginning at 11:30 AM.

Due to the great need for pro bono representation in this area, the CLE and lunch will be FREE for any attorney who has taken or is willing to take a pro bono case from HIAS or the Pa Immigration Resource Center.

Many children in Pennsylvania lack legal immigration status and are at risk of being separated from their caretakers, denied services, and forcibly returned to places where they will be exploited or abused. Some of these children can apply for legal immigration status because they are Special Immigrant Juveniles ("SIJs").

However, before children can apply for this special protection, they or their caretakers must obtain certain findings of fact, which can only be made by a state or county court, often in custody or dependency proceedings.

This training teaches attorneys who handle custody/dependency proceedings to represent SIJ-eligible children or caregivers in these contexts. After the training, HIAS will invite interested attorneys to develop their new skill by joining their team of lawyers who accept pro bono referrals in this niche area of family/child welfare law. The training will cover:

1. Who is eligible for SIJ classification
2. How to represent SIJ-eligible children/caretakers in Dauphin County
3. Common court concerns/Trouble shooting

Presenters will include:

- Judge Jeannine Turgeon
- Justin Mixon, Esq. and Catherine Feeley, Esq. of HIAS Pennsylvania
- Pro Bono Attorneys Anthony Hoover, Kandice Hull and Lori Serratelli

Register online at <http://www.dcba-pa.org/register/?EventNo=461>

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NON-DCBA EVENTS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016: WIDENER LAW JOURNAL SYMPOSIUM; RULING THE COURTS: THE FUTURE OF LOCAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE IN PENNSYLVANIA 8:15AM: Early: \$85 (ends February 9); Regular: \$100; Discounted: \$75 (alumni, government lawyers, and academics); Register online: commonwealthlaw.widener.edu/eventregistration, Questions: CLEcwlaw@widener.edu.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016, 8:30AM REGISTRATION, 9:30AM FUN RUN/WALK, 10:00AM 5K RUN/WALK: WIDENER UNIVERSITY COMMONWEALTH LAW SCHOOL, PHI ALPHA DELTA PEPPER CHAPTER, Presents The First Annual Speedy Trial 5K. Proceeds benefit MidPenn Legal Services & VITA. Seeking Sponsorships of \$100, \$200, \$300 and \$600. Find all forms located at: <http://www.dcbapa.org/UserFiles/files/ProBono/phialphadelta.pdf>.

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016:8:30AM KEYSTONE ALLIANCE OF PARALEGAL ASSOCIATIONS BI-ANNUAL EDUCATION SUMMIT: The Keystone Alliance of Paralegal Associations is the state-wide organization for the Pennsylvania paralegal associations. Biannually, we hold an education summit for students, paralegals and attorneys from across the Commonwealth, to gain continuing legal education credit. For more information or to register, please go to: <http://keystoneparalegals.org/events/> or email: deblong420@gmail.com

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Please considering adding us as a safe sender with Gmail so that our emails may come through.

Thank you.



FEBRUARY 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Constitution Day	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6 6:00pm Presidents Gala West Shore Country Club http://www.dcba-pa.org/pdfs/eventAds/2016DindanceFlyer.pdf
7 Super Bowl Sunday 	8 5:00pm Lipsitt Inn of Court	9 Lunch & Learn 11:30am Lunch 12 Noon program “Patent Law” https://www.dcba-pa.org/register/default.aspx?eventno=453	10 Ash Wednesday  9:00am Custody Clinic 5:00pm Bowman Inn of Court	11	12	13
14 Valentines Day 	15 DCBA Closed President’s Day 	16	17 9:00am Custody Clinic 12:00pm Family Law Subcommittee Meeting	18 4:30pm Board of Directors Meeting	19	20
21	22	23 Lunch & Learn 11:30am Lunch 12 Noon program “Legal Updates at the Public Utility Commission” https://www.dcba-pa.org/register/default.aspx?eventno=454	24 Flag Day 	25	26	27
28	29 Happy Leap Day 					

MARCH 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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6	7	8 Lunch & Learn 11:30am Lunch 12 Noon program “Dauphin County ARD Program – Dos and Don’ts http://www.dcba-pa.org/register/?EventNo=460	9 9:00am Custody Clinic 5:00pm Bowman Inn of Court	10	11	12
13	14 5:00pm Lipsitt Inn of Court	15	16 9:00am Custody Clinic 12:00pm Family Law Subcommittee Meeting	17 Lunch & Learn 11:30am Lunch 12 Noon program 1.5 HOUR CLE “Special Immigrant Juvenile Status and Other Immigration Issues Affecting Youth in Central PA” http://www.dcba-pa.org/register/?EventNo=461 Young Lawyers St. Patrick’s Day Party (Off site - more information to follow)	18	19
20	21	22 Lunch & Learn 11:30am Lunch 12 Noon program “Federal Rules Update: The 2015 Amendments” http://www.dcba-pa.org/register/?EventNo=462	23	24	25 DCBA Closed Good Friday 	26
27 Easter 	28	29	30	31		



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"The purposes of the Dauphin County Bar Association are to advance the science of jurisprudence, to promote the administration of justice, to encourage a thorough legal education, to promote continuing legal education, to uphold the honor and dignity of the Bar, to encourage the fulfillment of the obligations of the profession among its members to the courts and to society, to promote programs to provide effective, affordable legal services to all segments of society, to cultivate cordial intercourse among the members of the Association and to perpetuate the history of the profession and the memory of its members and such kindred purposes as the Association may from time to time determine."

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MARCH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you would like an event or member update advertised in our next newsletter, please submit it **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016** to bridgette@dcba-pa.org.



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DCBA HAS PARTNERED WITH DATAMOTION TO BRING MEMBERS SECUREMAIL ENCRYPTED EMAIL

The DCBA has negotiated a special rate on our members' behalf for [DataMotion](#) SecureMail.

If you are like most professional practices then you handle clients' sensitive personal information every day. Due to industry regulations and privacy reasons this information cannot be sent through regular email. The American Bar Association published an article in September that stated, "...attorneys have duties to take competent and reasonable measures to safeguard information relating to clients..." [\[read more\]](#).

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