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Saturday Legal Advice Clinics Service Diverse Areas of City

The Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program sponsors a number of legal clinics each month to serve diverse clients throughout the area. The HBA and the HVLP would like to thank the volunteers listed below who as-

sisted at clinics during the months of February and March. For information on volunteering for legal advice clinics, please contact Bill Eckert at the Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program, 713-228-0735.

February Clinics

Aldine Youth Center
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Brent Benoit
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John Wallace
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VN Teamwork Clinic and Chinese Legal Clinic
Peter J. Bennett

Veterans Legal Advice Clinics

February 11
Judy Azzo
Cliff Hayes
Joyce Margarce
Ryan McKnight
Ashley Pall

February 18
Kadian Blanson
Dan Brink
Maureen Chavez
Bob Devlin
Lucy Greenwood
Rachel Grogan
Will Hailey
Cliff Hayes
Iman Houston
Lutitia Lewis
Dimitri Millas
Lori Pennington
Melanie Rother

February 25
Bob Devlin
J. William Earle
Matt Foytin
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Anita Mayur
Michael Moehlman
Dawn Norman
Zach Thomas

March Clinics

Spring Branch Family Center

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Russel Durand
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Myriam Grohs
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Neal Nobles
Kathryn Ressler
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Nared Qazi
Shannon Quadros
Jason Richardson
David Sawyer
Drew Shirley
Hutson Smelley
Andy Taylor
Dorian Vandenberg

VN Teamwork Clinic
Peter Bennett

Veterans Legal Advice Clinics

March 4
Judy Azzo
Kate Blaine
Bryant Bremer
Shawn Foster
Daniella Landers

March 11
Steve Biegel
Bob Devlin
Ellyn Josef
Shay Kuperman
Darin Schultz

March 18
Anita Barksdale
Drew Hallin
Kim Tyson

March 25
Judy Azzo
Anthony Cavender
Bob Devlin
Andrew Edelman
Cliff Hayes
Lauren Hoffman
Sue Jean White
Forest Wynn



Equal Access STAR

This month we are highlighting the work of several companies that helped the HBA's Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program to reconstitute after a fire severely damaged HVLP's offices last August.

PWT Technologies, Laura Protz - PWT Technologies, led by Laura Protz, was instrumental in remaking the technology infrastructure from the ground up. After the fire destroyed the onsite servers as well as the work stations, PWT Technologies worked with HVLP's Technology Committee to acquire and deploy all the necessary equipment to ensure that day to day operations, as well as client services, would not be interrupted. Ms. Protz also assisted with the planning and development of the reconstituted phone systems and the implementation of new technology needs in light of multiple locations. She spent countless hours working as an advocate on HVLP's behalf. Reach her at lprotz@pwtechnologies.com or www.pwtechnologies.com

Robert Vaesa Moving Company, Robert Vaesa - Faced with the daunting task of redeploying what could be salvaged after the fire, HVLP relied on Robert Vaesa Moving Company to assist. Once the initial move was complete, Mr. Vaesa continued to assist HVLP with subsequent moves as space became available at a secondary location at 3100 Richmond, and as the organization purchased replacement furniture. Mr. Vaesa's professionalism, attention to detail, patience, and drastically discounted rates enabled HVLP to redeploy successfully. Reach him at **713-385-7344** or robertvaesa@yahoo.com.

RA Architects, Hy Applebaum - When the 27th Floor of HVLP's space was gutted and being prepared for reconstruction, HVLP's Board of Directors turned to RA Architects and its principal, Hy Applebaum for assistance. Working under a very tight time frame, Mr. Applebaum created an occupant-friendly space that allows for maximum use and ease of flow. Mr. Applebaum assisted through construction, and his input and expertise were critical to completion of the project. Reach him at **713-981-7315** or ra.arch@sbcglobal.net.

Ricoh, Frank Clements - As HVLP reorganized at 3100 Richmond, copying and printing equipment was needed. Ricoh and agent Frank Clements stepped up to the plate to assist. Ricoh provided the loan of high-functioning copier/scanner/fax to the organization at no cost and gave HVLP other equipment to utilize so that there would not be any issues regarding the production of forms, applications, etc. Mr. Clements also spent a great deal of time personally programming and trouble-shooting any issue that presented itself and was, as he said, "Just a phone call away." Reach him at **713-290-2978** or frank.clements@ricoh-usa.com.

HVLP also wishes to thank all of the law firms, corporations and individuals that were so thoughtful during these challenging times.

HOUSTON VOLUNTEER LAWYERS PROGRAM

Equal Access = Justice for All Houstonians

To volunteer, please call 713-228-0735.





LegalLine Volunteers

The HBA and the LegalLine Committee would like to thank The Spaghetti Warehouse, 901 Commerce Street, for providing dinner for LegalLine volunteers. The HBA and the LegalLine Committee also thank the volunteers listed below.

<p>February 16 Volunteers M. Natalie Alfaro Gary Alfred John Broussard Keri Brown Stephanie Bundage Douglas Darrow Scott Davis Jeannie Diep Brandon Dillard Andrew Edelman Taylor Evans J. Robert Fowler James Greer Travis Hedgpeth Melvin Huang Sarah Kittleman Huyen Luong Anita Mayur Dimitri Millas Justin Murray Callie Parker M. Jonathan Pelayo John Pieratt James R. Porter</p>	<p>Mitch Reid Brittany Ringel Mark Shelley David Silbert Jocelyn Tau Zachary Thomas Brandon Tuck</p> <p>Family Law Specialists Marjorie Maxwell Cali Schwarz</p> <p>March 2 Volunteers Anna Archer Christopher Bradley Laura Cahill Yushan Chang Jennifer Day N. Jim Farrell Ronnie Harrison Melissa Hotze Cisselon Nichols-Hurd James Hurd</p>	<p>Claudine James Kenneth Krock Pamela Linberg M. Angel Magouirk Elaine McAnelly Pamela Nieto Lloyd van Oostenrijk Rock Owens Brian Quintero Mitch Reid Stanley Santire Michelle Thuillier Ella Tyler K. Nicole Voyles Renee Wells Aaron Reimer</p> <p>Family Law Specialists Bret Bosker Sara Valentine</p>	<p>March 3 Consejos Legales Volunteers Jose Cantu Kevin Chavez Leslie Giron Angelica Hernandez Robert Medina Francisco Rivero Ivan Rodriguez Raul Rodriguez Joe Villarreal</p> <p>March 16 Volunteers Jeremiah Anderson Matt Archer Adam Auchter James Beebe Rabea Benhalim Patricia Casey Francisco Caycedo David de la Cerda Ryan Cicero Robin Clarkson Randall Conklin</p>	<p>Patrick Elkins D. Archie Fallon Henry Fasthoff Kathleen Frazier Kimberly Glasspool David Glenn Ruchi Gogia David Hartnett Stephen Hatridge Lauren Hoffer C. Elaine Howard Rajesh Mahadass Quincy McNeal Benjamin McReynolds Mari Otjen Julie Pradel Denise Smith Nicole Turpen Manmeet Walia Daniel Wilson N. Jill Yaziji</p> <p>Family Law Specialists Ellen Mabry</p>	<p>Aaron Reimer Sara Valentine</p> <p>April 6 Volunteers Benny Agosto Anita Barksdale James Barnish Sarah Branstetter Avery Carson J. Christopher Champion Colleen Cockrum Leslie Dite Colette Fields Eric Hawley Jennifer Hasley Robert Hayter David Hsu Michael P. Jones Cynthia Lam Pamela Linberg Kristen Olson Lyons James Marrow Kevin Page Frank Parish</p>	<p>Heather Potts Andrew Reif Holly Robbins Justin Schwartz Jennifer Stein Rob Stutphen Frank Vlahakos</p> <p>Family Law Specialists Jeremy Heallen Paula Vlahakos</p> <p>April 7 Consejos Legales Volunteers Karleana Lahens-Abner Kevin Chavez Angelica Hernandez Ivette Hughes Santiago Laverde Francisco Rivero Joe Villarreal</p>
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DRC Attorney Volunteers

The Dispute Resolution Center (DRC) of Harris County relies on trained volunteers as mediators and arbitrators. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer and have completed the necessary DRC or DRC approved ADR training, please contact the DRC at 713-755-8274 or email@drc-houston.org.

The DRC and Houston Bar Association would like to thank the following volunteers who mediated DRC cases during February 2011 and March 2011:

<p>February 2011 Adrian Almaguer Bruce Bain Roger Barras Tony Benedetto C. Michael Black Mary Jo Black Charles Brack Gerald Brown Gerald Buttrill Kati Cesario Robbie Gail Charette Danielle Comeaux Mark Curry Claude Davis Bob Devlin Russell Ducoff</p>	<p>Dal Fenton Harold Graham Sam Gutierrez Hal Hargis Thelma Harmon Alan Holzberg Connie Howell Pratima Kaza John Kelly Katie Kennedy Jon King Paul Krieger Lori LaConta Daniella Landers Derek Lisk Joyce Margaree Ernest Martin</p>	<p>Monica McHam Linda Moore Michele O'Brien Austin O'Toole Brenda Page Diana Perez Pat Primavera Rebecca Renfro Amelia Rodriguez Mark Salvato Kamy Schiffman Robert Scruggs Nina Taylor Warren Taylor David Verbit Mark Watler Ted Weiss</p>	<p>Mike Yauch</p> <p>March 2011 Hal Agron Adrian Almaguer Bruce Bain Joan Bain Roger Barras Francine Barton Tony Benedetto Mary Jo Black Guessippina Bonner Charles Brack Gerald Buttrill Kati Cesario Robbie Gail Charette Mark Cohen</p>	<p>Danielle Comeaux Claude Davis Bob Devlin Kathryn Dollins Amy Dunn Shelly Durham Michelle Eddington Richard Edelman Jeff Elkin Bruce Feichtinger Dal Fenton Harold Graham Jim Greenwood Diane Guillerman Sam Gutierrez Hal Hargis Thelma Harmon</p>	<p>Bernard Hebinck Connie Howell John Kelly Tamara Kent Jon King Paul Krieger Lori LaConta Derek Lisk Ernest Martin Monica McHam Julie Miller Jack Mixa Linda Moore Nkem Okeke Austin O'Toole Diana Perez</p>	<p>Patrick Primavera Patricia Quinn Rebecca Renfro Amelia Rodriguez Mark Salvato Kamy Schiffman Iain Simpson Bryan Sky-Eagle Warren Taylor Bernadette Thomas Geric Tippsword Griffin Vance David Verbit Leslie Yates Mike Yauch</p>
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Upcoming HBA/CLE Seminars

<p>Thursday, May 5, 2011 Environmental Law: Practical Tips for Non-Environmental Lawyers</p>	<p>Friday, May 6, 2011 Boomtown D.A. .25 hours ethics credit.</p>	<p>Thursday, May 12, 2011 Sale of a Law Practice/Death of a Solo Practitioner 1.5 hours ethics credit.</p>	<p>Friday, May 13, 2011 New Chapter 34 .25 hours ethics credit.</p>	<p>Thursday, May 19, 2011 How to Write a Brief</p>
<p>Friday, May 20, 2011 Health Care Reform – Impact on Employer-Sponsored Group Health Plans</p>	<p>Thursday, June 2, 2011 Ethics and Entity Formation 1.0 hour ethics credit.</p>	<p>Friday, June 3, 2011 Heirship & Other Elder Issues .25 hours ethics credit.</p>	<p>Friday, June 10, 2011 Investigating, Evaluating and Prosecuting General Aviation Crashes</p>	<p>Thursday, June 30, 2011 How to Collect e-Data – Efficiently and Legally .25 hours ethics credit.</p>

Thursday Seminars are held at the Junior League of Houston, 1811 Briar Oaks Lane, from 8 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. Friday Seminars are held downtown at the Harris County Jury Assembly Room, 1019 Congress Plaza, 1st Floor, from 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Seminars include 1.5 hours MCLE credit (ethics credit included where indicated above) and are free to HBA members only; written materials may be purchased for \$15. Non-HBA members will be charged \$25 per program, including written materials. Registration at the door only. Please visit the HBA Web site, www.hba.org, for the full seminar schedule.

Inspired to Win



When 8th grader Matthew Barker won his age division in the 26th John J. Eikenburg Law Week Fun Run on March 26, he decided to give his award to those who had inspired him to win. Matthew presented his plaque, featuring original artwork by a client of The Center, to fellow 8th grader Jonathan Reyes and his classmates in the Life Skills class for special needs students at Morton Ranch Junior High. In presenting the award, Matthew explained to the students that they were his “super heroes,” whose encouragement helped him win the race.

The Law Week Fun Run, coordinated by the HBA’s Fun Run Committee and chaired this year by Danielle Harsany and John Spiller, raised nearly \$60,800 for The Center, which helps people with developmental disability reach their full potential through education, job training, socialization and community involvement. For more information on The Center, visit www.cri-usa.org.



Members of the Eikenburg family always come out in full force to support the race, named for the late John J. Eikenburg, former president of the HBA who founded the Fun Run.



Clients from The Center join the one-mile walk.

Special Olympics Committee Participates in Successful Families Resource and Health Fair; Volunteers Also Needed

On Saturday, April 2, 2011, the HBA Special Olympics Committee organized volunteers to assist with the Special Olympics Texas Families Resource and Health Fair. The event was hosted by the University of Houston College of Optometry at the University Eye Institute, which provided free sports physicals and screenings offered by vision, dental and auditory specialists.

The Families Resource and Health Fair was open to anyone in the Greater Houston area with intellectual disabilities, including current Special Olympics athletes and those not yet involved in the program. In addition to the vision and health screenings, Special Olympics athletes were provided free sports physical examinations required to participate in Special Olympics sports programs in Texas and at the national level. Special Olympics family members were also provided many educational seminars during the event to help educate athletes and their families about financial planning for children with special needs, basics for special education, guardianship and community services.

HBA Special Olympics Committee members volunteered their own time and recruited other volunteers for the health fair. The HBA volunteers spent several hours on Saturday serving as in-processing officials, as well as helping athletes and event organizers throughout the morning of the event. By providing several rewarding hours of volunteer service, HBA members played an important role in ensuring special needs athletes can compete in Special Olympics events throughout the year to show the world how much can be accomplished through sports participation. HBA Committee member Mitch Reid served as volunteer coordinator for the event.



Pictured from Left to Right – Mitch Reid, Ryan Johnson, Suzi Huntsman

The HBA Special Olympics Committee is seeking volunteers to help with the Regional Cycling Competition on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at Memorial Park. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Special Olympics Committee co-chair Mike Killelea at mike.killelea@goodrichpetroleum.com or 832-399-3173.



Volunteers Needed for Friday Legal Clinics at VA Hospital

The HBA Veterans Legal Initiative sponsors a legal advice clinic for veterans at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center each Friday afternoon from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Volunteers meet and counsel veterans on all types of legal issues, including family law, wills and probate, consumer issues, landlord/tenant problems, disability, and veterans benefits.

Volunteers are still needed for the following dates in 2011: May 27, July 1 and September 2.

If you would like to volunteer for the clinic on one of these dates, please contact Mickey Baden at the Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program at 713-228-0735 or mickey.baden@hvlp.org.

Texas Minority Counsel Program Nominations due by June 15

The Texas Minority Counsel Program will be held at the Austin Hyatt Regency from September 7-9, 2011. At the conference, the Third Annual Outside Corporate Counsel of the Year will be recognized. Additionally, for the first time, the TMCP will be recognizing an Outside Counsel Trailblazer. Nominations for both awards are due by June 15, 2011. Please go to the Texas Bar website at www.texasbar.com/tmcp to review the criteria for both awards and to download a nomination form.

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May Calendar

Texas Lawyers' Assistance Program Support Group

Date & Time: Monday, May 2, 2011; 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Place: Houston Council on Alcohol and Drugs Building, 303 Jackson Hill, Room B-164.

Information: A confidential support group and educational forum for attorneys who are currently depressed, recovering from depression or seeking to maintain remission from the disease. The group meets the first Monday of each month. All are welcome. More information available by calling 1-800-343-8527 or Cameron.Vann@texasbar.com.

Entertainment & Sports Law Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 3, 2011; Noon

Place: Hard Rock Cafe, 502 Texas Ave., Houston, Texas 77002.

Cost: \$25 for section members; \$30 for non-section members.

Program: Jeff Nalley and Matthew Frazier, CEO and General Counsel, Select Sports Group, Inc. and James Casey, Houston Texans tight end and Rice University graduate, to present, "LOCKED OUT: Player, Sports Attorney and Agent Involvement in the Antitrust Litigation Against the NFL."

Information: To RSVP, email Yocel Alonso, Chair, to yocelaw@aol.com.

Mergers & Acquisitions Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 4, 2011; 7:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

Place: Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP, 600 Travis, JPMorgan Chase Tower, 25th Floor Conference Room, Houston, Texas 77002.

Cost: \$15 cash or check (please have exact change if paying cash).

Program: Arthur Wright, Thompson & Knight LLP, Dallas, to present, "Key Issues in Oil and Gas Purchase and Sale Agreements."

Information: RSVP to Courtney Outland to coutland@boyarmiller.com or 713-850-7766. Make checks payable to HBA M&A Section and mail to Courtney Outland, BoyarMiller, 4265 San Felipe, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77027. Parking is available at the Chase Center Garage (entrance on Travis between Capitol and Texas).

Family Law Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 4, 2011; Noon

Place: The Petroleum Club, 800 Bell, 43rd Floor.

Cost: \$30 for Family Law Section members with timely reservations; \$35 for members without reservations and for non-member licensed attorneys and non-attorney guests with timely reservations (non-attorney guests must be accompanied by a Family Law Section member); \$40 for late reservations.

Program: Sam M. (Trey) Yates, III and Tammy S. Adams to present "Learn to Dance with the One that Brung Ya: A Private Practitioner's Dance with the Office of the Attorney General and the IVD Courts of Harris County, Texas." Plus, interesting cases by Sallee Smyth.

Information: For more information or to RSVP, please mail your check (payable to the HBA-Family Law Section) to Kate McConnico, Looper Reed McGraw, 1300 Post Oak Blvd, #2000, Houston, Texas 77056. Reservations will not be taken by phone or at the door. Reservations may be faxed to Kate McConnico at 713-986-7100 or emailed to Mary Rowan at mrowan@lrmlaw.com.

International Law Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 10, 2011; 11:30 a.m.

Place: Andrews Kurth, JPMorgan Chase Tower, 42nd Floor, 600 Travis, Houston, Texas.

Cost: \$25 for section members and law students; \$30 for non-section member professionals; \$35 at the door (space permitting - checks only).

Program: James G. Munisteri, Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, Anacarina Estaba, Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, and Juan Vasquez

to present a panel discussion on "Best Practices for Serving Letters Rogatory."

Information: Please send your check, payable to the HBA, to Sandy Bergeron, Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, 1000 Louisiana, Suite 3400, Houston, Texas 77002 by Monday, May 9.

Securities, Litigation & Arbitration Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 10, 2011; 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Place: Vincent's, 2817 W. Dallas, Houston, Texas 77019.

Cost: \$35 for members and non-members.

Program: Hon. Benette Zivley, Texas Securities Commissioner, to present "Texas Securities Regulation and Enforcement."

Information: RSVP to Laura Marsh at laura.marsh@bakerbotts.com no later than May 3 to reserve your seat. This is an RSVP only event.

Health Law Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 11, 2011; registration, 11:30 a.m.;

Lunch and presentation, Noon.

Place: Damian's Cucina Italiana, 3011 Smith, Houston, Texas 77006.

Cost: \$35 with registration; \$45 at the door; \$25 for law students.

Program: Marissa G. Arreola, The Methodist Hospital and Stuart F. Miller, Strasburger & Price, L.L.P., to present "Hospital Acquisition of Physician Practices."

Information: Valet parking at Damian's included in cost. Register with Heather Morlang at hmorlang@wattbeckworth.com or 713-333-9142 by noon on Monday, May 9.

Commercial and Consumer Law Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 11, 2011; registration, 11:45 a.m.;

lunch and presentation, Noon.

Place: Downtown Club at Houston Center, 1100 Caroline & Lamar.

Cost: \$30 for members with timely RSVP, \$35 for members with late RSVP/walk-ins; \$39 for non-members.

Program: David M. Tiede to present "Cars and the Law - A Consumer Lawyer's Survey of the Diverse Legal Issues Concerning the Purchase, Maintenance and Operation of our Vehicles." 1.0 hour MCLE, including .25 hours ethics.

Information: RSVP by May 5 to Robert Johnson to rbjohnson@uh.edu. Please make payments at the luncheon.

Collaborative Law Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Place: Four Oaks Place - Central Plains Room, 1330 Post Oak Blvd., Level 2.

Cost: \$20, includes hot lunch.

Program: Noel Cookman, The Mortgage Institute, to present "How a Mortgage-Divorce Specialist Can Help in Your Collaborative Law Practice: The Use of Owlty Agreement and Lien."

Information: Please RSVP to ldurso@shortcartermorris.com or fax to 713-759-9650 by 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 13. Make checks payable to HBA Collaborative Law Section and mail to Lauren Durso, 1177 West Loop South, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77027. Payment also accepted at the door. If you RSVP and do not attend, you will be billed for the cost of the lunch. Reminder: bring someone new to the Collaborative Law Section meeting and lunch is on us!

Corporate Counsel Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 17, 2011; Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Place: Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, 1111 Louisiana, Suite 4400, Houston, Texas 77002.

Cost: No charge for section members.

Program: Judy Lee, Foster Quan LLP, to present, "Deemed Export Compliance."

May Calendar, cont.

Information: Reservations are not required and a light lunch will be served. Please contact John Goodgame at 713-220-8144 or JGoodgame@AkinGump.com with any questions.

Real Estate Law Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 18, 2011, Noon.

Place: Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP, 25th Floor conference room.

Cost: \$35 with RSVP; \$40 at the door, space permitting.

Program: Ron Dold, First American Title Company, to present, "Title Insurance Update."

Information: To RSVP, make your check payable to HBA Real Estate Law Section and mail to Barry L. Racusin, Racusin & Wagner, L.L.P., 600 Woodway Tower, 4900 Woodway, Houston, Texas 77056. For information email blr@racusinlaw.com or call 713-626-1450.

Taxation Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 18, 2011; Noon - 1:15 p.m.

Place: The Downtown Club at the Plaza, 910 Louisiana, 49th Floor.

Cost: \$29 for section members with timely RSVP; \$35 for others; Government personnel and students pay one-half applicable price.

Program: Stanley Johanson, University of Texas School of Law, to present, "Current Developments in Estate Planning." (1.0 hour MCLE credit.)

Information: Please RSVP by Friday, May 13 by sending a check, payable to the HBA Taxation Section to: Christine Cunningham, Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, 1000 Louisiana, Suite 3400, Houston, Texas 77002. For more information, please contact Christine Cunningham at ccunningham@gardere.com.

Solos Supporting Solos

Date & Time: Thursday, May 19, 2011; 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Place: Wortham Tower Cafeteria, 2727 Allen Parkway at Waugh.

Cost: \$5 (breakfast available, but not included in charge.)

Program: Denise Scofield, HBA President-elect, to present "What's New at the HBA."

Information: For reservations contact Lynne Andrews at 713-626-7272; fax to 713-626-3606 or email AndrewsLynne777@gmail.com.

Construction Law Section

Date & Time: Thursday, May 19, 2011, registration, 11:45 a.m.; Lunch and presentation, Noon.

Place: Brennan's of Houston, 3300 Smith, Houston, Texas 77006.

Cost: \$35 for section members with timely reservations; \$40 for non-

section members and/or paid at the door; \$45 for non-HBA members.

Program: William Allensworth to present "Case Law Updates."

Information: RSVP by May 12 and send a check to Kellie McGill, Coats | Rose, 3 East Greenway Plaza, Suite 2000, Houston, Texas 77046. Email kmcgill@coatsrose.com or call 713-653-7352 for more information.

Oil, Gas and Mineral Law Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 24, 2011, 11:30 a.m.

Place: The Houston Club, Texas Room (10th Floor), 811 Rusk.

Cost: \$30 with RSVP; \$35 at the door, space permitting.

Program: Buddy Clark, Haynes and Boone, L.L.P., to present, "The Latest on Oil and Gas Financing Issues."

Information: Please send checks, payable to HBA, to: James L. Connor, III, El Paso Corporation, 1001 Louisiana, Houston, Texas 77002. Checks must be received by Friday, May 20, 2011.

Federal Practice Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 25, 2011, registration, 11:30 a.m.;

Lunch and presentation, Noon.

Place: The Houston Club, 811 Rusk.

Cost: \$30 for section members with RSVP; \$35 for section members who do not RSVP and non-section members.

Program: Magistrate Judges Mary Milloy and Stephen Wm. Smith will be speaking.

Information: Please RSVP by Friday, May 20 to Carrie Arnett at carnett@jonesmclure.com or by mailing a check, payable to HBA, to Jones McClure Publishing, Attn: Carrie Arnett, 3131 Eastside Suite 300, Houston, Texas 77098.

Association of Women Attorneys

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 25, 2011; 6:00 p.m.

Place: Daily Review Cafe.

Cost: No cost to AWA members; \$15 at the door for non-members.

Program: Hon. Alice Oliver-Parrott, Alice Oliver-Parrott, P.C., to present "Success in the Practice - The Advantage We Have as Women."

Information: To learn more about this event, please visit www.awahouston.com. To RSVP for this event, please email rthai@intlcorpcompliance.com.

The HBA Office will be closed Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

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Thursday, May 5, 2011
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Fulbright Tower Auditorium, 1st Floor
1301 McKinney
3.0 hours MCLE, including 1.0 hour ethics credit.
Reception Immediately Following:
Fulbright Tower, 51st Floor

Registration Fee: \$ 80.00

Please visit the Institute Section of the HBA's web site, www.hba.org, for a detailed agenda and registration form.

June Calendar

Family Law Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, June 1, 2011; Noon

Place: The Petroleum Club, 800 Bell, 43rd Floor.

Cost: \$30 for Family Law Section members with timely reservations; \$35 for members without reservations and for non-member licensed attorneys and non-attorney guests with timely reservations (non-attorney guests must be accompanied by a Family Law Section member); \$40 for late reservations.

Program: Judge Leta Parks and Judge Jeff Bohn to present "What Every Family Lawyer Needs to Know About Bankruptcy." Plus, interesting cases by Sallee Smyth.

Information: For more information or to RSVP, please mail your check (payable to the HBA-Family Law Section) by May 27, to Kate McConnico, Looper Reed McGraw, 1300 Post Oak Blvd, #2000, Houston, Texas 77056. Reservations will not be taken by phone or at the door. Reservations may be faxed to Kate McConnico at 713-986-7100 or emailed to Mary Rowan at mrowan@lrmlaw.com.

Texas Lawyers' Assistance Program Support Group

Date & Time: Monday, June 6, 2011; 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Place: Houston Council on Alcohol and Drugs Building, 303 Jackson Hill, Room B-164.

Information: A confidential support group and educational forum for attorneys who are currently depressed, recovering from depression or seeking to maintain remission from the disease. The group meets the first Monday of each month. All are welcome. More information available by calling 1-800-343-8527 or Cameron.Vann@texasbar.com.

International Law Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, June 14, 2011; 11:30 a.m.

Place: Andrews Kurth, JPMorgan Chase Tower, 600 Travis, Houston, Texas.

Cost: \$25 for section members and law students; \$30 for non-section member professionals; \$35 at the door (space permitting - checks only).

Program: Sashe Dimitroff, Haynes and Boone, L.L.P., to present, "Saving the International Deal from Catastrophe: Tools to Avoid Litigation and Unexpected Results."

Information: Please send your check, payable to the HBA, to Sandy Bergeron, Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, 1000 Louisiana, Suite 3400, Houston, Texas 77002 by Monday, June 13.

Real Estate Law Section

Date & Time: Wednesday, June 15, 2011, Noon.

Place: Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP, 25th Floor Conference Room, JPMorgan Chase Tower, 600 Travis, Houston, Texas 77002.

Cost: \$35 with RSVP; \$40 at the door, space permitting.

Program: David Weatherbie, Cramer Weatherbie Richardson Walker LLP to present, "Case Law Update."

Information: To RSVP, make your check payable to HBA Real Estate Law Section and mail to Barry L. Racusin, Racusin & Wagner, L.L.P., 600 Woodway Tower, 4900 Woodway, Houston, Texas 77056. For information email barryrac@peoplepc.com or call 713-626-1450.

Solos Supporting Solos

Date & Time: Thursday, 16, 2011; 7:30 a.m.- 8:30 a.m.

Place: Wortham Tower Cafeteria, 2727 Allen Parkway at Waugh.

Cost: \$5 (breakfast available, but not included in charge.)

Program: Al Harrison to present "How a Solo Can Benefit From Voice Recognition Technology."

Information: For reservations contact Lynne Andrews at 713-626-7272; fax to 713-626-3606 or email AndrewsLynne777@gmail.com.

Construction Law Section

Date & Time: Thursday, June 16, 2011, registration, 11:45 a.m.; Lunch and presentation, Noon.

Place: Brennan's of Houston, 3300 Smith, Houston, Texas 77006.

Cost: \$35 for section members with timely reservations; \$40 for non-section members and/or paid at the door; \$45 for non-HBA members.

Program: Steve Nelson will discuss "Legislative Updates."

Information: RSVP by June 9 and send a check to Kellie McGill, Coats | Rose, 3 East Greenway Plaza, Suite 2000, Houston, Texas 77046. Email kmcgill@coatsrose.com or call 713-653-7352 for more information.

Corporate Counsel Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, June 21, 2011; Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Place: Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, 1111 Louisiana, Suite 4400, Houston, Texas 77002.

Cost: No charge for section members.

Program: "The Path to General Counsel," an in-depth panel discussion on the steps required to become General Counsel, including Mark Prescott, Prescott Legal Search; Bass C. Wallace, Jr., Tetra Technologies, Inc.; Bob Major, Major Lindsey & Africa; and Sean Elliot, CARBO Ceramics, Inc.

Information: Reservations are not required and a light lunch will be served. Please contact John Goodgame at 713-220-8144 or JGoodgame@AkinGump.com with any questions.

Association of Women Attorneys

Date & Time: Wednesday, June 22, 2011; 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Place: Daily Review, 3412 West Lamar Street, Houston, Texas 77019.

Cost: No cost to AWA members; \$15 at the door for non-members.

Program: Janet Moore, International Lawyer Coach, Inc., to present, "What Every Woman Lawyer Needs to Know About Successful Rainmaking."

Information: To learn more about this event, please visit www.awahouston.com. To RSVP for this event, please email rthai@ogblh.com.

Oil, Gas and Mineral Law Section

Date & Time: Tuesday, June 28, 2011, 11:30 a.m.

Place: The Houston Club, Texas Room (10th Floor), 811 Rusk.

Cost: \$30 with RSVP; \$35 at the door, space permitting.

Program: Justin Furnace, Executive Vice President of Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association, to present "Lease Savings and Termination When the Prices Are Down."

Information: Please send checks, payable to HBA, to: James L. Connor, III, El Paso Corporation, 1001 Louisiana, Houston, Texas 77002. Checks must be received by Friday, June 24, 2011.

Summaries

Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee – The Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee for the Houston area is seeking volunteers (to be appointed by the Texas Supreme Court) to investigate the unauthorized practice of law. Cases are referred to the committee from numerous sources, including judges, attorneys, non-profit organizations, government agencies and private corporations. Referrals have increased significantly and the committee needs additional members to investigate and litigate these complaints. If you are interested in becoming a member of the District 4 Subcommittee, please contact Lawana Reynolds at lawanaupl@comcast.net.

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GlobalFit Member Benefit Offers May Special – May is National Fitness Month. To celebrate, HBA members can join a participating GlobalFit gym for no activation fee during the month of May

by using the code MATW0511 during enrollment. GlobalFit offers HBA members the opportunity to participate in its Corporate Fitness Program, which offers discounted memberships to many area health clubs. To find out which facilities are participating in the May special, call 800-294-1500 or visit www.globalfit.com.

Member Benefit Update – In January 2011 Mister Car Wash launched a new discount program called the MVP Program (Mister Value Program). This program replaces the former corporate card program with the HBA. The Mister Value Program membership continues to be Free; however, no discount card is required to obtain a discount. Simply register your vehicle license plate or telephone number online and begin saving 10% on Full Serve car washes, Express Detail, Express Lube Services and merchandise each time you visit. The program also offers the privileges of exclusive discount emails or texts on a monthly basis and a 48-Hour Rain Guarantee. Visit www.mistercarwash.com/WashMVP for more information.

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