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July 10 th	4:00 PM	Disputed Fee Committee Meeting
July 13 th	12:00 NOON	Legal Aid/Pro Bono Committee Meeting
July 18 th	3:45 PM	Grievance Committee Meeting
July 19 th	4:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
July 20 th	12:00 NOON	Finance Committee Meeting
July 27 th	12:00 NOON	Military & Veterans Affairs Committee Meeting

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July 14, 2023	2023 Criminal Law Video Replay SCBA Conference Room See Pg. 8
August 9, 2023	2023 Municipal Court Video Replay SCBA Conference Room See Pg. 9
August 24, 2023	2023 Professional Conduct Video Replay SCBA Conference Room See Pg. 10

Upcoming CLE

September 13, 2023	2023 Family Law Video Replay SCBA Conference Room Details in next issue.
September 28, 2023	2023 Professional Conduct Video Replay SCBA Conference Room Details in next issue.

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Let's Try Mentoring

"The delicate balance of mentoring someone is not creating them in your own image, but giving them the opportunities to create themselves."

- Steven Spielberg

One of the main goals this year as Bar President is to encourage veteran lawyers to take the initiative to mentor younger attorneys. Since sitting on the bench, I've tried to make it a point to ask a young attorney to lunch periodically. As we all know, the world has changed. No longer is there a local watering hole like "the Wheel Café" or regular stomping grounds where attorneys can congregate to share war stories and provide insight while fostering new and valuable relationships. Instead, most communication is conducted through texts, emails or social media.

I was fortunate to have several influential mentors in the formative years of my career. Renowned Court of Appeals Judge W. Scott Gwin, then the City Law Director, gave me my first break as a city prosecutor. He stressed the importance of making good, sound decisions and to always "do the right thing". (Although now he's been known to exclaim after reading one of my trial transcripts, "He did what?!") The brilliant former Law Director and Canton City Council President Kristen Bates-Aylward taught me the ropes as a summer intern (mentioning several times, "Frank it may help you if you actually read the law.") The legendary Judge Richard Reinbold shared his extraordinary trial skills, teaching me the "tricks of the trade" for voir dire and cross examination. (His frustration with me at one point caused him to suggest, "maybe you should consider another profession." Listening to prominent trial lawyer Lee Plakas while attending seminars convinced me that the key to any case is to out-prepare your opponent. (He also pointed out, "You shoot from the hip more than Jessie James.") A loyal comrade in the pursuit of justice was Attorney Craig Chessler, who spent many rounds of golf and time at the 19th hole analyzing the causes of my latest debacle or failure in the courtroom. (Sympathetically, he would hand me another cold one and tap my glass, saying, "This too shall pass.")

During this next year I ask everyone to take a more active role in assisting those who recently passed the bar as they attempt to navigate this minefield called "the practice of law". Unfortunately, some critical lessons are simply not taught in law school. It was always helpful



Honorable Frank Forchione
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when spirited Attorney John Giua would scream at me, "What are you doing!?", then kindly show me the right way to handle the situation I found myself in. Think about it – you have the opportunity to shape a blossoming career in a positive way. More importantly, you may find that you learn a little bit from them as well. Thank goodness I had a few generous mentors take me under their wing.

Sometimes it's hard to ask others for help, especially from judges and lawyers who you admire. I pledge to do a better job of making an impact. If there is anyone interested in having lunch to commiserate together, please call (330) 451-7715. As a judge I get the opportunity to observe the first-rate talent the Stark County Bar brings each day – let's make an effort to make it even better!

I'd also like to thank past presidents Aletha Carver and Stephan Babik for the incredible work they've done for the Bar Association. Just observing them in action has been a beneficial experience. Lastly, we are so lucky to have Tina McCort as our Executive Director. Her organizational skills and crisis management is second to none. I'm issuing a restraining order so she can never leave!

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Report of Bar Applicant Committee

On June 1st the Bar Applicant Committee conducted interviews of 16 candidates.

The breakdown of activity is as follows:

Candidates interviewed and approved for a subsequent bar examination	16
Re-Examination application approved.	1
Supplemental applications approved	14
Total approvals granted.	31

Committee members present and conducting interviews were Chairman James M. Conley, Amanda Paar Conroy, Robert W. Eckinger, Mary Beth Ulm-Green, Anthony J. Flex, Anthony Kaplanis, Honorable Jim D. James, Kristen S. Moore, Ivan L. Redinger, Honorable Richard D. Reinbold, Jr., and Scott P. Sandrock. We thank the members for taking time from their busy schedules to assist in conducting the interviews!

2022 - 2023 Stark County Bar Association's Legal Scholarship

This year the Bar Association awarded three scholarships. The three recipients are Haley Bonnot attending the University of Akron, Amber Hassig attending the University of Akron, and Katherine McHugh attending the University of Akron.

Stark Community Foundation administers the scholarship fund for the Bar Association and works closely with our Scholarship Committee. The scholarships have been funded from donations from the Stark County Bar Association throughout the years. Included in the fund are donations received in memory of a deceased attorney or loved one. Donations are always welcomed so that we may continue this scholarship opportunity for years to come. Please send any donations directly to the Bar Association. Thank you.

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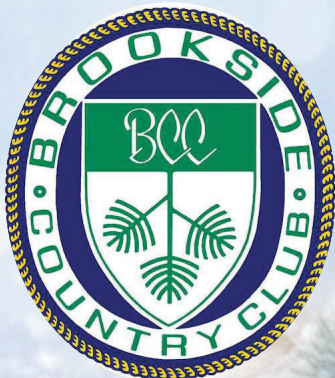
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Friday, July 14, 2023 – SCBA Conference Room

- 8:45 A.M. **REGISTRATION** – Coffee, water & donuts provided.
- 9:00 A.M. **BAIL REFORM: OR IS IT?**
Honorable Kristin G. Farmer
Stark County Court of Common Pleas
- 9:30 A.M. **JUVENILE LAW: CHANGES AND CHALLENGES**
Anthony Kaplanis, Esq., Chief of Family Court Division
Stark County Public Defender Office
Melissa Day, Esq., Assistant Prosecutor/Chief of Juvenile Division
Stark County Prosecutor's Office
- 10:15 A.M. **BREAK**
- 10:30 A.M. **U.S. AND OHIO SUPREME COURT CASE LAW UPDATE**
Patrick T. Clark, Esq., Managing Counsel, Legal Department
Office of the Ohio Public Defender
- 11:45 A.M. **A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND DUAL DIAGNOSIS TREATMENT**
Keith Hochadel, Clinical Consultant
Emmanuel Turner, Director of Operations
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- 12:15 P.M. **ADJOURN**



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Wednesday, August 9, 2023 – SCBA Conference Room

- 12:45 P.M. **REGISTRATION** – Coffee & Water Provided.
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- 1:00 P.M. **CANTON MUNICIPAL COURT**
Honorable Curt Werren
Chief Magistrate Jeremy Foltz
Magistrate Derek McClowry
Magistrate Christy Pierson

Practice in the Canton Municipal Court – Policies and Procedures
- 1:50 P.M. **MASSILLON MUNICIPAL COURT**
Honorable Edward J. Elum
Honorable Joel C. Fichter

1. Basic Forms to Survive and Updates/Changes to the Law
2. Landlord/Tenant Current Issues, Hearings, and Mediations
3. Coordinated Probation/Community Control Orders
- 2:40 P.M. **BREAK**
- 2:55 P.M. **ALLIANCE MUNICIPAL COURT**
Honorable Andrew L. Zumbar

Policies, Procedures, and Updates
- 3:45 P.M. **MENTAL HEALTH COMMITMENTS FROM CRIMINAL
MUNICIPAL COURT CASES WITH SAMPLE FORMS**
Honorable Dixie Park, Stark County Probate Court
- 4:15 P.M. **ADJOURN**



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- 1:00 P.M. ACCESS TO JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS
Honorable Kristin G. Farmer, *Stark County Common Pleas Court*
- 1:50 P.M. ETHICS
Peter T. Cahoon, Esq., *Plakas Mannos*
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- 2:40 P.M. BREAK
- 2:55 P.M. PROFESSIONALISM
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