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Help Set the Table This Thanksgiving for Our Veterans in Need

SAM ★★★★★ CENTER
Serving Area Military

Join the SAM Center to collect items to provide Thanksgiving Feasts to Veterans, Service Members and Military Widows in Our Community.

- $10 Grocery Cards
- Corn Muffin Mix
- Egg Noodles
- Broth
- Turkey Gravy Packets
- Canned Corn
- Canned Green Beans
- Jell-O Mix
- Mushroom Soup
- Stuffing Mix
- Mashed Potatoes
- Cranberry Sauce

Thank You for Your Support!

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The SCBA Military Affairs and Community Involvement Committees ask that the above items or cash donations be dropped off at the SCBA Office M-F 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM at 116 Cleveland Ave. NW, Suite 400, Canton, OH 44702 No later than Nov. 13, 2026

330-956-6162, Ext 2



support@servingareamilitary.com

Holiday Party

Join us for good food, great company and holiday cheer!

Brookside Country Club
Friday, December 4, 2026 at 6:30 pm
Invitations will be e-mailed soon!!

SCBA November 2026 Office Schedule

Nov. 4th	11:30 AM	Family Law Committee Meeting at Bender's Tavern
Nov. 5th	12:00 NOON	Community Involvement Committee Meeting
Nov. 9th	4:00 PM	Disputed Fee Committee Meeting
Nov. 11th	OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY	
Nov. 17th	3:45 PM	Grievance Committee Meeting
Nov. 18th	12:00 NOON	Law Day Committee Meeting
Nov. 18th	4:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
Nov. 19th	4:00 PM	Municipal Court Committee Meeting
Nov. 26th - 27th	OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING	

ELDER LAW COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be no Elder Law Committee Meeting in November. The next meeting will be held in January 2027.

NOTARY EDUCATION CLASS & TESTING

Classes and Testing offered every 2nd & 4th Tuesday
Stark County Bar Association Office
By Appointment Only

1 Hour Renewal Education Class • 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

3 Hour New Notary Public Education Class
12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM
TESTING 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Online classes and testing available at our website: www.StarkCtyBar.com

2026 CLE Seminars

Nov. 19, 2026 — View From The Bench Seminar
Auditor's Hearing Room
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December 2026 — Multi-Topic Video Replays
SCBA Conference Room
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On-Line CLE

Take advantage of the Stark County Bar Association's SELF-STUDY courses through our website: www.StarkCtyBar.com.

Reminder: M - Z!
Complete your CLE by Dec. 31, 2026

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Did You Know?

As a member of the Stark County Bar Association you may request for your review our annual Budget or our Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets. These financial documents are available upon request made to Tina McCort, our Executive Director.

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From Our President



Honorable Andrea M. Scassa
President, Stark County Bar Association

Signifying the anniversary of the end of World War I, "Armistice Day" was first observed on November 11, 1919. Although Congress passed a resolution in 1926 marking the annual observance, it was not until 1954 when President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name to "Veterans Day." By another act of Congress, the federal holiday was moved to the fourth Monday in October in 1968; however, President Gerald Ford moved the holiday back to November 11th in 1975 as it was strongly believed that the significance of this actual date should be memorialized.

Although parades and ceremonies are traditionally held on Veterans Day, the entire month of November becomes a time to honor veterans' contributions to our country and show appreciation for their sacrifices. I encourage you to look to your local community for a special way to honor our heroes this November. One such way is by donating to the annual Thanksgiving Basket Drive for the SAM Center, sponsored by the Military and Veterans Affairs and Community Involvement Committees. With locations in Massillon and Canal Fulton, the SAM Center has been a beacon of support for our local military families. Please review the flyer on the cover of this Journal and consider what you would like to donate to help one of our local military families. Each year, I am so proud of the generosity of our members!

I would also like to recognize Judge Taryn Heath as she presides over her last graduating class of Honor Court on November 6th. Overseeing Honor Court during her time on the bench at Common Pleas, Judge Heath and her staff have worked tirelessly to provide vital resources and a network of support to those who have served. Thank you to Judge Heath for your dedication to our veterans!

Before I end with my monthly reminder of upcoming events and happenings, I would like to wish all a very peaceful Thanksgiving surrounded by those you hold most dear. In the eloquent words of Maya Angelou, "Be present in all things and thankful for all things."

As you are reading this letter, the July Bar results have been released, and these new attorneys will be sworn in soon. A critical step in the Bar Exam process is passing a Character and Fitness interview. On September 29th, the Bar Applicant Committee attended an online seminar hosted by the Ohio Supreme Court to further learn how to effectively conduct and evaluate these vital interviews. Thank you to Committee members, Chair Scott Sandrock, Judge Richard Reinbold, Judge Katie Erchick-Gilbert, Judge Jim James, Magistrate Gretchen Stocker, Christine Johnson, Bob Eckinger, Ivan Redinger, and Andrea Bartos, for doing the work necessary to ensure the next generation of attorneys meet the high standards of our profession.

Are you in need of some CLE before the end of the year? Join us for the View from the Bench Seminar with the newest member of the Stark County Family Court, Judge Beverly Proctor-Donald. In addition to the wisdom imparted from Judge Proctor-Donald, Lisa Murray from the Stark County Law Library will share valuable information about the wonderful resources the Law Library has to offer. Come support our Young Lawyer's Committee and the

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Stark County Law Library on November 19th. More information is contained on Page 7 of this Journal.

Lastly, as you put away your Jack-O-Lanterns, you are beginning to see Holiday decor and music, you know what that means... invitations will be going out soon for the annual Holiday Party! Mark off the night of Friday, December 4th on your calendar for fun, food and friendship!



THANK YOU TO THE VETERAN MEMBERS OF THE STARK COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

This Veterans Day, and throughout the year, we extend our sincere appreciation to the veteran attorneys of the Stark County Bar Association. Thank you for your military service, your continued service to the legal profession, and your dedication to the people and communities you serve.

The Stark County Bar Association's Military and Veterans Affairs Committee is grateful for the sacrifices these attorneys and their families have made in service to our nation. We recognize that the freedoms and opportunities we enjoy are made possible by the courage and dedication of those who have answered the call to serve.

We are honored to recognize you, grateful for your service, and proud to call you colleagues. Thank you for your service to our country and to the Stark County community.

MICHELE M. HAMMERS
HONOR COURT, DIRECTOR
MILTARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, CO-CHAIRPERSON



Holiday Centerpieces

The centerpieces decorating the Holiday Party will be raffled/auctioned off at the event, with all proceeds going to the Stark County Bar Association's Scholarship Committee. Any individuals, firms, or even Bar Committees interested in donating a centerpiece for the Holiday Party should contact Tina (Tina@StarkCtyBar.com) at the Bar Association. Each centerpiece will cost $75.00 and will display the name of the individual(s) or entity who has sponsored it. This is a great way to contribute to the largest Bar social event of the year while supporting the students who receive scholarships for law school from the Stark County Bar Association.

Social Committee



CANTON MUNICIPAL COURT

The Canton Municipal Court is seeking an experienced Court Transcriptionist or Paralegal interested in becoming a Court Transcriptionist to serve as a free-lance Court Transcriptionist.

The Transcriptionist will be appointed by the Court to complete typed, verbatim transcripts from the original audio/video recording of court proceedings. The duration of proceedings varies from short sentencing hearings of a few minutes to multi-day jury trials. The typical turnaround time for transcripts is 7 to 10 days from the date of assignment. Compensation for transcripts are set pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Section 2301.24 and is currently $6.00 per page or $6.50 per page for expedited requests. All supplies requisite for the preparation of an official transcript, to include transcription paper and transcription jackets, shall be furnished by the Canton Municipal Court. The complete Local Rule of Practice that governs court transcripts can be found at: www.cantoncourt.org/assets/pdf/LocalRules2026.pdf.

Interested parties may express interest by submitting a letter of interest, resume' and transcript sample (if applicable) to michael.kochera@cantonohio.gov.

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, ATTORNEYS, AND ADDITIONAL JUSTICE PARTNERS:

COURT ADJUSTS SCHEDULE AS A NEW CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IS LAUNCHED:

The Stark County Court of Common Pleas and the Stark County Clerk of Courts will launch a new electronic case management system (CMS) and Electronic Filing System on Tuesday, December 8, 2026. Implementing this new system requires a shutdown of the current CMS from Monday, November 23, 2026 through Monday, December 7, 2026. This will cause all cases to be processed manually.

To assist with efficient operations during this time, both the General Division and the Family Court Division are requesting that only emergency motions/filings be presented for filing during the shutdown. The Clerk of Courts will only accept filings in limited circumstances.

Additionally, the Stark County Family Court is asking that no new traffic summonses, traffic arraignments, or juvenile summonses be issued with court appearances scheduled for the week beginning November 23, 2026 and the week ending December 4, 2026. Any summons issued with a court appearance scheduled for these weeks will be rescheduled by the Clerk. Please notify your colleagues regarding this request.

For interested parties and/or attorneys with hearings scheduled during the shutdown period, please reach out to the assigned courtroom in advance to confirm the case is moving forward as scheduled.

All court users are directed to review the Administrative Court Order that will be posted for more specific instructions. Training materials and information about registration for electronic filing will be available on the website: https://starkcountyohio.gov/efiling

The Court appreciates the cooperation of all court users in this endeavor. The modernization of the CMS and E-filing will significantly improve our operations, but there will be an adjustment period and we thank you in advance for your patience.



HOLIDAY PROGRAM

ADOPT-A-CHILD

The Community Involvement Committee is adopting a "sibling group" this year through Project KARE for Christmas. We are currently working on their "wish lists" creating tags that will be available **Monday, November 2nd** for members to swing by the Bar Office (like in years past) to pick up. The gifts should be wrapped and have the tag on them. All gifts should be returned to the Bar Office by Monday, December 7th for delivery to Project KARE.

Thank you for your participation!!

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DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT CLINIC



Saturday, November 7, 2026

Kingdom Center

2631 Harvard Ave NW, Canton, OH 44709

9:00am - 12:00pm

Find out:

- What you need to do to get your license back
- If you are eligible for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles Reinstatement Fee Amnesty Initiative and how much BMV fees can be reduced
- How to arrange payment plans for court fines and fees



FAQ:

Do I need to bring anything?

It is helpful if you would bring some form of ID.

Do I need to make an appointment?

Walk in any time between 9-12.

Do I have to live in Stark County?

No, everyone is welcome.

Stark County Bar Association, Community Legal Aid Services and Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty, Co., L.P.A.

Stark County Bar Association

VIEW FROM THE BENCH SEMINAR

Thursday, November 19, 2026

Stark County Office Building
110 Central Plaza South
Auditor's Hearing Room, Suite # 210
Canton, OH 44702

NEW LAWYER TRAINING!!
Non-new attorneys will receive 1.50 CLE General Credit Hours

Sponsored by the Young Lawyer's Committee of the Stark County Bar Association and the Stark County Law Library

Lunch Provided by the Stark County Law Library

11:30 A.M.	TODAY'S RESOURCES AT THE LAW LIBRARY Lisa Murray, *Assistant Director of the Stark County Law Library*
12:00 NOON	VIEW FROM THE BENCH Presented by the Honorable Beverly Proctor-Donald *Stark County Family Court*
1:00 P.M.	ADJOURN

Attorney Members and Non-Members admitted to the Bar 5 years or less: COMP.

Members/Assoc. Members/Non-Members: $30.00

Registration deadline is Thursday, November 12, 2026

The boxed lunch options are as follows:

_____Turkey Boxed Lunch _____Ham Boxed Lunch _____Herbivore (vegetarian) Boxed Lunch

_____Grilled Chicken House Salad (Select either Ranch or Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressing)

*All lunches come with chips, pickle, cookie, bottled water, and utensils.

Name: _____ Atty. Reg. No. _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Do you prefer to receive the seminar materials via Email or Hard Copy on the day of seminar? Circle one.

*** Seating is Limited***

Please mail checks to: Stark County Bar Association
116 Cleveland Avenue, N.W., Suite 400, Canton, OH 44702-1728

NO REFUNDS UNLESS RESERVATION CANCELLATION IS RECEIVED 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF SEMINAR.
Application has been approved for 1.50 NLT/General CLE Credit Hours.

DECEMBER 2026
CLE CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar 1:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 2026 Family Law Seminar 9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	10 2025 Estate Planning & Elder Law Symposium 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 2026 Law Day Seminar 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	18 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	19
20	21	22	23	24 **Office Closed**	25 **Office Closed**	26
27	28	29 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	30	31	1	2

Stark County Bar Association Video Replay Seminars

Tuesday, December 1, 2026 – 1:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
2026 PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT VIDEO REPLAY SEMINAR
Members: $75.00 Assoc. Members: $62.50
Non-Members: $137.50
2.50 Professional Conduct CLE Credit Hours Requested

Wednesday, December 9, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
2026 FAMILY LAW VIDEO REPLAY SEMINAR
Members: $90 Assoc. Members: $75
Non-Members: $165
3.00 General CLE Credit Hours Requested

Thursday, December 10, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
2025 ESTATE PLANNING & ELDER LAW SYMPOSIUM VIDEO REPLAY
Members: $180.00 Assoc. Members: $150.00
Non-Members: $330.00
6.00 General CLE Credit Hours Requested

Thursday, December 17, 2026 – 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.
2026 LAW DAY VIDEO REPLAY SEMINAR
Members: $82.50 Assoc. Members $68.75
Non Members: $151.25
2.75 General CLE Credit Hours Requested

Friday, December 18, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
2026 PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT VIDEO REPLAY SEMINAR
Members: $75.00 Assoc. Members: $62.50
Non-Members: $137.50
2.50 Professional Conduct CLE Credit Hours Requested

Tuesday, December 29, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
2026 PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT VIDEO REPLAY SEMINAR
Members: $75.00 Assoc. Members: $62.50
Non-Members: $137.50
2.50 Professional Conduct CLE Credit Hours Requested

Video Replay Seminars – SCBA Conference Room

Please check the program(s) you will be attending and return this form with your check, as soon as possible, to assure a seat. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided for morning video replays. Lunch, where applicable, is on your own.

- ☐ 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar – 12/1/26 – 1:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. – $75 / $62.50 / $137.50
- ☐ 2026 Family Law Seminar – 12/9/26 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. – $90.00 / $75.00 / $165.00
- ☐ 2025 Estate Planning & Elder Law Symposium – 12/10/26 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. – $180 / $150 / $330
- ☐ 2026 Law Day Seminar – 12/17/26 – 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – $82.50 / $68.75 / $151.25
- ☐ 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar – 12/18/26 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. – $75 / $62.50 / $137.50
- ☐ 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar – 12/29/26 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. – $75 / $62.50 / $137.50

Name _____ Atty. Reg. No. _____

Address _____

Email _____

*PLEASE NOTE: If you are currently a member of any local bar association, you may attend at our members' price.

Do you prefer to receive the seminar materials via E-mail or Hard Copy on the day of the seminar? Circle one

NO REFUNDS UNLESS RESERVATION CANCELLATION IS RECEIVED 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF SEMINAR.

Please mail with your check to:

Stark County Bar Association, 116 Cleveland Ave., N.W., Suite 400, Canton, OH 44702-1828



CLE UPDATE!

Take advantage of the Stark County Bar Association's SELF-STUDY courses through our website: www.starkctybar.com

THE FOLLOWING SELF-STUDY COURSES ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE:

- 2025 Criminal Law Seminar (3.00 General credit hours)
- 2025 Municipal Court Seminar (2.5 General credit hours & .50 Professional Conduct credit hour)
- 2025 Family Law Seminar (2.75 General credit hours)
- 2025 Law Day Seminar (2.25 General credit hours & .75 Professional Conduct credit hour)
- 2025 Professional Conduct Seminar (2.5 Professional Conduct credit hours)
- 2025 Estate Planning & Elder Law Symposium (6.0 General credit hours)
- 2026 Criminal Law Seminar (3.00 General credit hours)
- 2026 Municipal Court Seminar (3.00 General credit hours)
- 2026 Family Law Seminar (3.00 General credit hours)
- 2026 Law Day Seminar (2.75 General credit hours)
- 2026 Professional Conduct Seminar (2.5 Professional Conduct credit hours)

* Additional courses available soon. *

SCBA's self-study courses direct link: https://starkctybar.com/cle/cle-self-study/

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If you have questions about our online CLE or have problems logging in, please call the Bar Office or email CLE@starkctybar.com.

2026 GOLF OUTING & BAR REVIEW HAPPY HOUR

Thursday, October 15, 2026



Judge Kristin Farmer, Judge Natalie Haupt, Judge Gary Willen



Daniel Eisenbrei, Kim Wyss, Bryce Harvey, Anthony Brown



Todd Evans, Cari Evans, Shawn Goethrl, Don Robbins



Paul Pusateri, Sydney Pearce, Jenna McKean, Brandon Trent



Stephen Kandel, James Kandel, Judge Willen, John Anthony



Judge Proctor-Donald, Judge Scassa, Judge Haupt, Judge Cordova

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Pizza For Pro Bono Event

October 5, 2026



Bar Review Fall Happy Hour

September 24, 2026 • The Canton Club Vault





Judge Proctor - Donald's Investiture



Judge Hall's Retirement Reception



Community Involvement Committee

October 13, 2026 • Heart of Ohio Diaper Bank Volunteering

This year, we will take the opportunity to recognize local practitioners who are celebrating 50 years in the practice of law. Our next attorney to be recognized for a largely commendable 50 years of practice is Dianne Blocker Braun, Esq.

50th Year Spotlight

Dianne Blocker Braun, Esq.



Growing up in Canton, I had no aspiration to become an attorney. One of my criteria for selecting a college was that I knew no one going there. My brother, Douglas Blocker, was at Miami University. He had visited Indiana University (IU) and suggested I apply there. I followed his advice and graduated from IU in December 1972 with a B. A. in Sociology. Having finished college a semester early, I still stayed in Bloomington as I was sharing an apartment with my friend, Janice (Podoll) Frankle. I took a job as a barmaid, and while working, I started questioning my decision to attend the University of Chicago to pursue a PhD. Janice was planning to become a lawyer and suggested I take the LSAT, move with her to D.C., and attend law school the following year.

IU School of Law had rolling admissions for its undergraduates. I applied after the standard deadline and was placed on the waiting list. I headed to D.C. to job-search, but shortly after arriving, IU's admission office called saying there was an opening. Classes started in a few days. That stressful decision was pivotal in my life. With my parents' support and Janice's help, I flew to Bloomington, stayed temporarily with a friend, and started classes.

There were few women students and no women professors. 1973 was at the start of the growing number of women seeking what had been non-traditional careers. Of all the changes in the legal profession, I believe the increased number of women attorneys has been one of the most profound.

My legal career did not follow a straight-forward path. Ann (Keller) Bailey, an IU colleague, was headed to work as an attorney at Proctor & Gamble. I knew other friends in Cincinnati and decided to pursue a position there and share an apartment with Ann. I was hired by a boutique firm focused on personal injury, medical malpractice, and workers' compensation. I found value in advocating for injured individuals; but in 1984, changes in my personal life resulted in my moving to Cleveland. A boutique bankruptcy firm was willing to train me to handle Chapter 11 reorganizations. I enjoyed practicing in the federal courts; however, it was an intense practice.

I moved back to Canton where my family and future husband lived; and became an in-house counsel at AEP handling a variety of issues electric companies encounter. During the next 5 years, I got married and became a mother to the first of our two children. When AEP moved their attorneys to Columbus, I returned to private practice.

KWGD was growing its estate planning practice. They took a chance to train me. When my two mentors, Joseph Perkovich and Christine Evans left Canton, I was not ready to take over their work. Buckingham was building its Canton office. I spent time in their Akron office with several experienced mentors; and over 11 years built my estate planning practice. When BDB underwent a re-organization, I called Terry Moore at KWGD and was welcomed back. For the next 16 years at KWGD, I brainstormed with seasoned colleagues and mentored paralegals and young attorneys who would succeed me upon my retirement.

Thoughts for Young Attorneys –

- Look for good mentors with expertise and good rapport with clients.
- Be open to learning new areas of law. Changes in the law or in your life may require a career change.
- Good staff members are key. Spend time training them, and treat them with respect.
- Timely respond to clients and others (including your own colleagues). Courtesy will help build your practice.
- Support SCBA. Bar associations will serve you, including with networking (attorneys refer to other attorneys).

My favorite legal book is *The Lady and the Law*, the biography of Fanny Holtzman, a pioneering women attorney who started practicing in 1922 in NYC, and successfully sued MGM studios in a significant international libel action.



Notary Stamp Prices

The Stark County Bar Association is offering for sale Attorney and Non-Attorney Notary Public Stamps and Seals. If you are interested in purchasing these items, please contact the Stark County Bar Association at 330-453-0685, or visit our website at www.starkctybar.com.

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