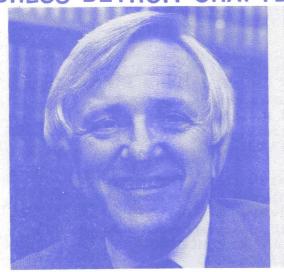


# DETROIT CHAPTER FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER-1988

STATE BAR PRESIDENT TO ADDRESS DETROIT CHAPTER



Donald L. Reisig

DONALD L. REISIG, 54th President of the State r of Michigan, will be the featured speaker, when the Detroit Chapter kicks off its luncheon meetings for 1988-89 on Thursday, September 22, 1988, in the Riverfront Ballroom of the Detroit Westin Hotel. Reisig, who will not officially assume his responsibilities as State Bar President until October 1, 1988, has entitled his remarks "Pride and Civility."

A 1958 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, Mr. Reisig has amassed a distinguished and diverse career. He has served as Lansing City Attorney, Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney and from 1968 until 1976, he served as a Circuit Judge of the Ingham County (30th Judicial) Circuit Court. Since 1976, he has been a principal in the Lansing Law Firm of Sinas, Dramis, Brake, Boughton, McIntyre & Reisig, P.C., specializing in trial, governmental and labor matters.

Mr. Reisig has also been an active participant in bar association and civic activities. In 1964, he was named one of the ve outstanding young men of Michigan as a result of his community activities, which included presidency of the Tri-County Council on Alcoholism and the Ingham County Legal Aid Society.

Mr. Reisig chaired the State Bar Committee on Standard Criminal Jury Instructions, which drafted comprehensive instructions for utilization in criminal cases. He also chaired the Criminal Jurisprudence, Scope and Correlation and Fiscal Committees of the State Bar, having served as Treasurer of the State Bar of Michigan. Most recently, he has served as chairperson of the Judicial Qualifications Committee and the Products Liability Task Force. He has served on several Supreme Court Committees, including the Supreme Court Committee on Evidence.

Mr. Reisig has authored a number of articles on criminal law and other topics, and has served as a lecturer and participant in seminars conducted by the Michigan Judicial Institute and the Institute for Continuing Legal Education. He and his wife, Joanne, are the parents of three grown children, and are blessed with three grandchildren.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made by calling Esther Munce at 331-5605 or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

# VIDEOTAPE LIBRARY

The Detroit Chapter is currently in the process of locating, cataloging and centralizing its videotape library, the purpose being to make its collection known to and available to you. Anyone knowing of the whereabouts of any Detroit Chapter seminar held since January 1, 1985, should contact Vice-President Maura Corrigan (237-4702). Future issues of this newsletter will apprise you of the subject and date of all such seminars and the location from which the videotapes may be obtained.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you like the look of the newsletter. One of my objectives is to improve both its appearance and its substance, since it is the only contact which some of you may have with the Detroit Chapter. A quality newsletter takes a lot of work. If any of you are interested in helping, or have an article or suggestion to contribute, please call Mark Brewer or me at 965-3464.

Another of my objectives for the coming year is to improve the Detroit Chapter's standing among attorneys employed by the federal government. Ironically, as many of you are aware, the Federal Bar Association was initially organized by and composed of only federally employed attorneys. Its growing appeal and success among attorneys in private practice is not, in my opinion, a matter of concern. What has concerned me for some time, however, is the Detroit Chapter's waning influence and reputation attorneys employed by the federal government. In my judgment, their continued participation in the affairs of the Chapter is essential to its continued success.

An ad hoc committee was recently established to make recommendations for improving the Chapter's standing among federal government attorneys and for making its programs and activities more attractive to them. One of their recommendations, the establishment of a Government Practice Section, has already been

implemented. Its Chair, Chris Dowhan, Vice-President Maura Corrigan and Treasurer Geneva Halliday are already at work planning an initial seminar. Another recommendation which I will be taking before the Executive Board is the establishment of a discounted government rate for the Chapter's luncheon meetings, seminars and social activities. The Chapter's officers will be meeting next month with the Detroit area District and Regional Counsel to let them know of these initiatives.

John R. Runyan, Jr.

## CHANGING OF THE GUARD

NEW OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD TAKE OVER

On July 1, 1988, the Officers and Executive Board elected at the Annual Meeting and Dinner Dance last Spring began their term of office. The new Officers are as follows: John R. Runyan, Jr., Esq. President Sachs, Nunn, Kates, Kadushin, O'Hare, Helveston & Waldman, P.C. 1000 Farmer Street Detroit, Mi. 48226 (313)965-3464

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Michele Coleman Mayes, Esq. Immediate Past-President UNISYS Corp., Law Department P.O. Box 500 Mail Station, C2-NW22 Blue Bell, Pa. 19424 (215)542-3731

Also elected last Spring to three year terms on the Executive Board were Thomas W. Cranmer of Miro, Miro & Winer, P.C.; United States District Judge Patrick J. Duggan; Edward M. Kronk of Butzel, Long, Gust, Klein & Van Zile, P.C.; United States Magistrate Virginia M. Morgan and Richard J. Seryak of the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone.

The Chapter's Genuine thanks and appreciation go out to the following who completed their three year terms on the Executive Board of June 30, 1988:

Deborah Gordon Stark & Gordon United States Magistrate Steven Pepe

Clarence L. Pozza, Jr. Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone

united States District Judge Richard F. Suhrheinrich

Richard E. Zuckerman Honigman, Miller, Schwartz & Cohn

# SECTION AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS APPOINTED

While most of you were enjoying the warmest and by far the driest summer in recent memory, your officers were hard at work enlisting a talented corps of section and committee chairs to help lead the Chapter during 1988-89. Their names and telephone numbers appear below. Please give them a call if you have a suggestion or would like to assist in the planning of seminars or other chapter activities:

#### SECTION CHAIRS

#### **ANKRUPTCY:**

John William Butler (644-5100) Butzel, Keidan, Simon, Myers & Graham

Phillip J. Shefferly (358-9500) Schlussell, Lifton, Simon, Rands, Galvin & Jackier, P.C.

# CIVIL LITIGATION:

Virginia f. Metz (225-7023) Butzel, Long, Gust, Klein & Van Zile, P.C.

Elizabeth J. Larin (237-4772) Assistant U.S.Attorney

#### CRIMINAL LAW:

Richard E. Zuckerman (256-7800) Honigman, Miller, Schwartz & Cohn

Blondell L. Morey (226-3110) Assistant U.S.Attorney

#### **TVERNMENT PRACTICE:**

Christine M. Dowhan (226-6822) District Counsel U.S.Army Corps of Engineers

#### LABOR LAW:

Mark Brewer (965-3464) Sachs, Nunn, Kates, Kadushin, O'Hare, Helveston & Waldman, P.C.

J. Kent Cooper (223-7843) Michigan Bell Telephone Company

# TAXATION:

Joseph Falcone (357-6610) Joseph Falcone, P.C.

Thomas J. Kenny (259-7700) Raymond & Dillon

# YOUNGER LAWYERS:

Thea M. Sankiewicz (223-3500) Dickinson, Wright, Moon, Van Dusen & Freeman

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

#### COURTHOUSE TOURS:

Honorable Virginia M. Morgan (226-4082) United States Magistrate

Thomas W. Cranmer (646-2400) Miro, Miro & Weiner, P.C.

#### DINNER DANCE:

Mimi M. Gendrea (226-4643)
Trial Attorney
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

# GOLF/TENNIS OUTING:

Jack O. Kalmink (259-1144) Cross, Wrock, Miller & Vieson

#### HOLIDAY PARTY:

Gilliam Steinhauer (496-7562) Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone

## MEMBERSHIP:

Michael J. Lavoie (225-7060) Butzel, Long, Gust, Klein & Van Zile

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#### NEW LAWYER'S SEMINAR:

Christine M. Dowhan (226-6822) Brian D. Figot (256-7686) Geneva S. Halliday (237-4778) Thomas E. Rumshlag (259-7700) Cathrine F. Wenger (226-6010)

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

Mark Brewer (965-3464) Sachs, Nunn, Kates, Kadushin, O'Hare, Helveston & Waldman, P.C.

#### PRO BONO:

Lynn Shecter (540-7660) Roy, Shecter & Vocht, P.C.

PRUGRAM (Arrangements/Speakers):

Edward M. Kronk (225-7017) Butzel, Long, Gust, Klein & Van Zile, P.C.

#### TRIAL ADVOCACY WORKSHOP:

Honorable Steve D. Pepe (668-2298) United States Magistrate Thomas Cranmer (646-2400) Joel M. Shere (358-9500)

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ESTHER MUNCE TO RETIRE

At their initial meeting in June, 1988, the Chapter's new officers accepted with regret the resignation of Executive Director, Esther G. Munce, effective August 31, 1988. Esther had served as the Chapter's Executive Director since February 1, 1982. She indicated that she and her husband, Detroit Legal News Executive Editor Hugh Munce, hope to retire soon to her childhood home in Harbor Beach, Michigan. In the meantime, the Munces expect to spend more time traveling with the NOMADS, a Detroit Travel Club.

Effective August 1, 1988, the Chapter retained the services of Dee Osterman in order to take over bookkeeping and many of the services which Esther had formerly performed. Dee has performed similar administrative services for the past several years for various organizations, including the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan. Since she works out of her home in Madison Heights, the Chapter has recently established a post office box there.

# ANNUAL GOLF OUTING HELD

The Detroit Chapter's Annual Golf outing was held on Wednesday, August 10, 1988, at the Roseland Golf and Curling Club in Winc, Ontario. Only a select group of the most talented and dedicated among the Chapter's golfers turned out for this year's outing and enjoyed Roseland's lush tees, watered fairways and sculptured greens under nearly perfect skies. Several "aces" were reported, including President-Elect Bob Forrest's hole-in-one on the 475 yard, par 5 18th hole. Unfortunately, the ball was seized at the border by U.S.Customs officials.

Among the highlights of the year's outing was a "drawing" for a 19" color television, generously donated by the Paul Goebel Group. After attending what she admits was at least her twentieth Federal Bar Bolf outing, Marge Prybys, Secretary to Circuit Judge Ralph Guy, finally won her first door prize. Fittingly enough, since her recent move to Ann Arbor, Marge had been without a television. Congratulations!

Congratulations also to Rocky Pozza and his committee for another great job in organizing the outing. And thanks to the Paul Goebel Group for donating the television. At me interested in assisting with the planning of next year's golf/tennis outing should contact Chairman Jack Kalmink at 259-1144.

# **NEW MEMBERS**

The Detroit Chapter is pleased to welcome to its ranks the following new members:

Justine C. Albright
Warren D. Couger
Linda Evans
Gay Gilezan
Robert Gullo
William E. Hosler, III.
Violet Kristoff
Peter J. Lucido
J. Michael Schroer
Frederick J. Smith

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# DETROIT CHAPTER AWARDED PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT

The Younger Lawyers Division of the Federal Bar Association recently announced that the Detroit Chapter had been selected to receive the Ilene & Michael Shaw Federal Bar Foundation Younger Lawyer Public Service Grant. These one time grants are intended to provide seed money for Chapters to implement public service and pro-bono law related projects and to encourage an increased commitment to such projects by Chapter young lawyer members. The Detroit Chapter will use the \$2500 grant connection with its ongoing pro-bono program, which pairs Chapter members, many of whom are younger lawyers and all of whom serve without compensation, with pro se civil rights complainants, usually prisoners or employees who have been fired from a job, and

all of whom have been unable to find or retain an attorney.

In announcing the selection, Younger Lawyers Division Chairperson Ellen Lazarus emphasized that the Detroit Chapter's program was the only one selected for the grant, despite applications from several other Chapters. The grant will be presented at a luncheon to be held in connection with the FBA's Annual Meeting in Washingtopn, D.C., on Friday, September 16, 1988. Chapter members who are interested in participating in the pro-bono program or would like more information about it should contact Lynn Shecter, Chair of the Chapter's Pro Bono Committee (540-7660) or Court Executive John Mayer, 226-2120.

# ADDRESS CHANGE

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## CHAPTER CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1988

Executive Board Meeting Savoyard Club

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1988

Membership Luncheon Meeting Riverfront Ballroom Detroit Westin Hotel

SPEAKER: Donald L. Reisig

54th President

State Bar of Michigan

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1988

Executive Board Meeting Savoyard Club

TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6-7, 1988

New Lawyers Seminars 115 U.S.Courthouse

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1988

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