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## Judge Murphy, Practitioners, Discuss Considerations for Internal Investigations

On January 15, the Chapter's Criminal Law and Complex Commercial Litigation Committees jointly presented a panel at the Detroit Athletic Club entitled Internal Investigations: Key Considerations for Corporations and Their Counsel.

The panel, moderated by Derek Linkous of Bush, Seyferth & Paige, discussed a host of issues relating to effective internal investigations. Topics included the role of compliance programs, how to appropriately scope an investigation and collect the data, and the need to appropriately remediate based on an investigation's findings.

The over 100 attendees heard from a distinguished panel that included Judge Stephen J. Murphy, III; Mark Chutkow, Criminal Division Chief in the U.S. Attorney's Office; Michael Ortwein, Lead Counsel for Special Investigations at General Motors; Louis Gabel, Partner in Jones Day's Detroit office; and Robert Biskup, Managing Director in the Regulatory, Forensics & Compliance practice for Deloitte Financial Advisory Services.

Biskup discussed the role that cross-functional and multi-layered compliance programs can play in appropriately elevating the more serious allegations that require investigating. He also touched on the ability to leverage technology to make investigations more effective and more cost-efficient.

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## President's Column

**Saura Sahu**

With the new year in full swing, it is a great time to highlight a few Chapter accomplishments and say thank-you's for strengthening the two key drivers that support most of our Chapter's

many activities: membership and sponsorship of the signature Luncheon Series and other programs.

Each year, our Luncheon Series sets our standard of excellence, supports our other programs, and brings us together as a larger group. These luncheons are some of my favorite times of the year.

This year, we continue to set new standards for our Chapter. In September 2018, Chief Judge Denise Page Hood anchored our State of the Court Luncheon to a packed Venetian Ballroom at the Westin Book Cadillac, where we had a record number of luncheon sponsors. In November 2018, Craig B. Glidden, General Motors General Counsel, keynoted our Edward H. Rakow/Barbara Rom Award Luncheon to an excited room of roughly 300 people, including a number of GM's senior legal leadership, while Professor Robert Ackerman delivered the address for the Court Historical Society's Annual Meeting.

We are pleased to announce that, on March 15, our senior United States Senator, Debbie Stabenow, will deliver the keynote address at our luncheon where the Chapter will bestow the next Wade H. McCree, Jr. Award for the Advancement of Social Justice. We are expecting a full room at the Westin again.

These luncheons continue to reflect the outstanding quality of our bench, bar, and Chapter.

Your sponsorships help to make this all possible. The first major thanks goes to the Court, which substantially increased its sponsorship support for the Chapter this year.

We also thank law firm sponsors. As many members know, private-bar sponsorship levels had not increased for many years and had not kept pace with the cost of

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## President's Column (continued)

the luncheons. At the beginning of the Chapter's programming year, we expanded opportunities for sponsorship of the Luncheon Series by implementing a three-tiered approach. This allows greater involvement by boutique and small firms and better outreach to those firms that have not been as involved in the Chapter. As a result, our Chapter saw sponsorship numbers increase from around 40 – where they hovered for the last several years – to 57. That's a tremendous increase, which has also supported more firm engagement in Chapter activities.

We would especially like to thank organizations that provided supplemental sponsorships for programs throughout the year. These include (in alphabetical order) Bush Seyferth, Deloitte, Hickey Hauck, Honigman, Jones Day, Kerr Russell, Maddin Hauser, the Mike Cox Law Firm, and Miller Canfield. Others, such as Darrow Mustafa, are slated to sponsor additional programs in the coming months. These additional sponsorships cover a variety of expenses so that you get the most value from your membership.

And of course we thank our members. Our Chapter has long boasted a robust and active membership. Yet membership dues had stagnated, and our finances had seen the results over the past decade. This was weakening the long-term mission of the Chapter. Once again, you came through.

This year, we implemented the second of two phases in a membership rate realignment. Keeping pace with the market, our dues now provide a very competitive value while supporting our financial integrity. You have stepped up to the plate and renewed your membership, and we are intent on making sure you get an excellent return on your investment.

As a result of your commitment and our continued outreach efforts to find new members, we have over 800 active members. Most impressive, after Past President Michael Lee started our Sustaining Member Initiative, we slowly began to build a base of especially committed members. With special thanks to our Executive Director Mindy Herrmann, that base has substantially increased during the past year. In May 2017, we had 19 Sustaining Members. Now, we have over 110. That is truly remarkable!

Together, this strong focus on excellence coupled with a robust commitment to financial support leaves the Chapter poised for a healthy and growing future. As we look toward the Spring, I can't wait to celebrate these accomplishments with you on March 15 at the McCree Luncheon. See you there!

## Internal Investigations *(from page 1)*

Judge Murphy reviewed evidentiary issues implicated when litigants wish to reference compliance programs during court proceedings. He further discussed how emerging technologies, such as technology-assisted review, are being used in and perceived by courts.

Gabel highlighted the countervailing considerations involved in determining if, how, and when to disclose an internal investigation to the government. In doing so, he drew attention to the privilege concerns implicated by such a decision and how Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d) could be used to address some of those concerns.

Chutkow gave a prosecutor's perspective on governmental disclosure and coordination, discussing some of the potential benefits to companies of hiring credible counsel and coordinating investigative efforts with prosecutors. He also mentioned the changes to the "Yates Memo" made late last year by Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein and how that has affected the evaluation of cooperation credit in charging decisions.

Ortwein provided the audience with some advice on how to initiate and scope an investigation and discussed the importance of appropriately identifying and preserving relevant data. He also reviewed some best practices for interviews, including tips for effectively delivering *Upjohn* warnings.

The panel discussion was followed by questions from the audience and a reception for attendees and panelists. A special thank you goes out to the event's sponsors: Bush Seyferth & Paige PLLC, Jones Day, and Deloitte.



**Dave Weaver**  
**Court**  
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Hopefully by the time this is printed the shutdown of the Federal government will have ended. As of this writing, the Court is reviewing and making many decisions as to how it will operate if the shutdown is prolonged. Currently, the Federal Judiciary has available funding from carryover funds and what are referred to as "no-year" funds, funds that are not specific to any fiscal year. That funding can last until mid-January 2019, and if so, will ensure Court staff will receive two full paychecks in January.

The Court does not really shut down during a lapse in appropriations. The Bench continues to hear both civil and criminal matters and hold jury trials. If the shutdown continues, the Court will have to decide how staff will be designated, i.e. essential or non-essential. Essential staff are



required to work, but without pay until the government is again funded. Non-essential staff are furloughed. Virtually all the Court's work is considered essential, so we will be well staffed throughout any lapse in appropriations. All five courthouses will remain open and operational.

Chief Judge Hood, myself, and the Court's management team are working diligently to keep all staff advised of the potential impact of a lapse in appropriations. In a recent memorandum to the Court, Chief Judge Hood wrote to staff, "I assure you the Court will do everything in its power to assist all employees during what may be a very difficult time."

On a more positive note, the Court's Federal Pro Se Legal Clinic, operating in conjunction with and staffed by the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law and supported by other community partners, is celebrating its one-year anniversary. The University will celebrate the anniversary with the Pro Se Clinic Soiree. The benefit event will take place later this year. Additional information and tickets can be obtained at <http://www.law.udmercy.edu>.

Remember, if you have any comments, questions or suggestions, do not hesitate to contact me at: [david\\_weaver@mied.uscourts.gov](mailto:david_weaver@mied.uscourts.gov).

## Eleventh Annual Holiday Party

The Chapter threw its 11th annual Holiday Party on December 5 at the newly reopened and beautifully decorated Detroit Club. Guests enjoyed hor d'oeuvres, spirits, and camaraderie while being treated to another wonderful performance by Magistrate Judge R. Steven Whalen's jazz and blues band, *The Cat's Pajamas*. In addition to Magistrate Judge Whalen, the band features Dan Bretz, Ron Bretz, Barry Goldman, and James Hart.

This year the Chapter presented the band members with jackets bearing the band's name and logo as a token of it appreciation for their longstanding contribution to the Holiday Party.

Members of the bench and bar came out for the party

despite the court being closed the day of the event. Judicial attendees included Chief Judge Denise Page Hood, District Judges Terrence G. Berg, Sean F. Cox, Mark A. Goldsmith, David M. Lawson, Judith E. Levy, Matthew F. Leitman, and Stephen J. Murphy, III, Magistrate Judges David R. Grand and Elizabeth A. Stafford, retired Judge Gerald R. Rosen, and retired Michigan Supreme Court Justice Mary Beth Kelly. State Bar of Michigan President Jennifer Grieco also attended.

The Chapter would like to thank the many people who assisted in this year's event. Detroit Club member Jim Cambridge graciously hosted the Chapter for the event. The firm Hickey Hauck sponsored the event, as did Bush Seyferth & Paige, The Mike Cox Law Firm, and Kerr Russell. Thank you to Executive Director Mindy Herman and event chairs Tom Cranmer, Elisa Angeli Palizzi, and Jeff Sadowski for planning another successful event.



*Michael Ortwein, Derek Linkous, Louis Gabel, Mark Chutkow, Judge Stephen J. Murphy, III, Rob Biskup, and Chapter President Saura Sahu at the Internal Investigations seminar.*

*Photo by John Meiu, courtesy of Detroit Legal News Publishing LLC.*



*Among those enjoying the festivities at the Chapter's Holiday Party were Fred Herrmann, Judge Sean F. Cox, Chapter President Saura Sahu, Chief Judge Denise Page Hood, Jeff Sadowski, Elisa Angeli Palizzi, Christine Dowhan Bailey, and Jeff Appel.*

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## Rakow and Rom Awards/ Historical Society Meeting

On November 27, the Chapter jointly held its Annual Meeting of the Historical Society for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, along with the Edward H. Rakow and Barbara J. Rom Awards Luncheon, at the Detroit Marriott in the Renaissance Center.

Chapter President Saura Sahu began the event by welcoming all in attendance. District Judge Stephen J. Murphy, III then introduced the keynote speaker, Craig Glidden. Glidden serves as the Executive Vice President

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## Rakow/Rom *(from page 3)*

and General Counsel of General Motors—a role he has held since March 2015. Previously, Glidden served as chief legal officer for LyondellBasell and as general counsel for Chevron Phillips Chemical Co. Glidden spoke about the importance of the bankruptcy courts and the positive impact of the bankruptcy process on GM.

Dennis Clark and Edward Kronk, trustees of the Federal Bar Foundation of Detroit, presented the Rakow Scholarship Awards—an award presented to one student from each of Michigan’s five law schools who have demonstrated outstanding scholarly achievement in securities, corporation, or business law. Clark and Kronk recognized the following students:

Adam Gregory, University of Michigan Law School;

Victoria L. Herro, Western Michigan University Cooley School of Law;

Dai Chanai Jones, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law;

Virginia Pavlick, Michigan State University College of Law; and

Adomas Rauckis, Wayne State University Law School.

The Annual Meeting of the Historical Society for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan then began with an introduction by Matthew Lund, partner at Pepper Hamilton. Lund introduced Professor Robert Ackerman, who provided the annual meeting address. Ackerman is the former dean and a current professor at Wayne State University Law School. Ackerman spoke about how the principle of communitarianism is and is not reflected in certain recent Supreme Court decisions.

Finally, the event concluded with the presentation of the 7th Annual Barbara J. Rom Award for Bankruptcy Excellence to Earle J. Erman. Julie Teicher, shareholder at Maddin Hauser Roth & Heller PC, presented the

award. Erman, also a shareholder at Maddin Hauser, was recognized for his long and distinguished career in insolvency-related matters.

From 1975 through 1991, shortly after graduating from Wayne State University Law School, Erman served as a member and bankruptcy trustee of the Panel of United States Trustees, where he acted as a liquidating and operating trustee in a broad range of business bankruptcy matters. He then developed a robust private practice handling

bankruptcy and insolvency-related matters for clients, and is widely recognized as one of Michigan’s top lawyers in this field.



*Chapter President Saura Sahu and General Motors General Counsel Craig Glidden pause for a photograph at the Rakow/Rom Awards Luncheon.*

*Photo by John Meiu, courtesy of Detroit Legal News Publishing LLC.*



*Participants at the New Lawyers’ Seminar absorbing information on the first day of the seminar.*

*Courtesy of the New Lawyers’ Seminar Committee*

## New Lawyers Seminar

The Chapter presented its 43rd annual New Lawyers Seminar on December 4 and 5 at the Theodore Levin Courthouse. Once again, the seminar presented participants with invaluable and practical advice and information as they embark on their legal careers. It also offered new lawyers with an opportunity to be sworn in to practice before the federal district court.

The seminar is sponsored by the Chapter in conjunction with the Young Lawyers Section of the State Bar of Michigan. As in past years, presenters were among some of the best legal talent in Metropolitan Detroit. They included judges from state and federal court, court staff, and litigators and non-litigators from large and small law firms, sole practitioners, and in-house.

Day one of the seminar focused on practice in the federal courts and was moderated by Assistant U.S. Attorney Sarah Resnick Cohen. Chief Judge Denise Page Hood began the day with a warm welcome to the attendees. Karen Hillebrand, an Information Management Specialist with the Court, then spoke about the ins and outs of using the ECF system. Rich Hewlett from Varnum next presented an “Anatomy of a Civil Case,” providing an overview of



a case's progression from filing to closure and explaining differences between state and federal court practice.

A panel of career law clerks with extensive experience inside the district court next discussed the "Do's and Don'ts" of practicing before the court. The panel included Kimberly Altman (Judge Cohn), Jim Carroll (Chief Judge Hood), Christy Dral (Judge Cleland), and Stephen Thoburn (Judge Friedman). Magistrate Judge Anthony P. Patti and Hooper Hathaway attorney Angela Jackson provided similar advice during their presentation on discovery practice, offering their different perspectives on how lawyers should conduct discovery in federal court.

Heidi Naasko from Dykema Gossett next presented on pro bono practice. She provided a terrific overview of the pro bono opportunities available locally and shared how invaluable the work is to those who receive services and the lawyers who provide them. Judge David M. Lawson provided an engaging and interactive presentation on federal subject-matter jurisdiction and removal to federal court. His presentation was a good refresher for the attendees and highlighted the importance of knowing and understanding the civil procedure rules.

Sylvia Bolos from Lyngklip and Associates next provided an informative and engaging presentation on consumer protection law. Judge Laurie J. Michelson and David DuMouchel from Butzel then switched the focus to criminal practice, providing interesting and helpful suggestions for criminal practice in Federal Court. Finally, Michael Indenbaum of Honigman discussed the tax implications lawyers should know in their practice.

The first day of the seminar closed with Judge Arthur J. Tarnow presiding over a ceremony to swear-in participants to the federal court. Family members of many new lawyers were present to witness this memorable moment.

Because of the National Day of Mourning marking the death of President George H. W. Bush, the second day of the seminar featuring state law topics was held at the Doubletree Fort Shelby, which kindly accommodated

the seminar on very short notice. The day began with a welcome from Kara Rachel Hart-Negrich, the Chairperson of the Young Lawyers Section of the State Bar. She also presented information on activities and mentorship opportunities through the Young Lawyer's Section. State Bar President Jennifer Grieco presented information on the benefits of State Bar membership including its library, meeting rooms and educational opportunities.

Alan Gershel, Administrator of the Michigan Attorney Grievance Commission, presented the newly sworn-in lawyers practical advice on common behaviors that cause a grievance to be filed, how to avoid them, and how to respond if a grievance is filed.

Informative speakers on substantive areas filled out the remainder of the day: Andrea Hamm (Miller Cohen) on handling a workers' compensation case; Todd Flood (Flood Law) on handling a criminal case in state court; Alfredo Casab (Dawda Mann) on real property transactions; Peter Kupelian (Clark Hill) on strategies for the use of ADR; Kim Schon (Zivian and Zwickl) on probate and family court; Albert Dib (Jefferson Law Center) on evaluating and litigating

personal injury claims; Randall Chioni (Chioni Law Group) on handling domestic relations cases; and Cathrine Wenger (Art Van Furniture) on an overview of employment law. All of the speakers were well received and most have graciously volunteered to present at this seminar numerous times.

A capacity crowd enjoyed Judge Robert J. Colombo Jr.'s, last luncheon speech as Chief Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit. Judge Colombo imparted his uniquely curated knowledge of the court's history, highlighting some of the important cases decided in

the Wayne County Circuit. He also reminded us that many of our judicial luminaries served as Third Circuit jurists before ascending to the benches of the Supreme Court of Michigan, Eastern District of Michigan, and the Sixth Circuit, as well as, in the case of Wade Hampton McCree Jr., becoming the Solicitor General of the United States.

Undeterred by the federal court closure for the National Day of Mourning, Chief Judge Hood, flanked by fellow  
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*Chapter President Saura Sahu recognizing and thanking Third Circuit Court Chief Judge Robert J. Colombo Jr. for his many years of participation at and support of the New Lawyers Seminar.*

*Courtesy of the New Lawyers Seminar Committee.*



*Many New Lawyers Seminar participants also were sworn into the Eastern District of Michigan.*

*Courtesy of the New Lawyers Seminar Committee.*

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## **New Lawyers** *(from page 5)*

Judges Sean Cox and Gershwin Drain, delivered a tribute to Judge Colombo. The widely respected judge had announced his retirement effective January 1, 2019 after 35 years of distinguished service to the Third Judicial Circuit. Chief Judge Hood eloquently noted Judge Colombo's contributions to the Michigan legal community as well as his years of dedication to the New Lawyers Seminar. Chapter President Saura Sahu followed with a presentation of a plaque and complimentary Chapter sustaining membership. A standing ovation concluded the luncheon as a heartfelt farewell to a good friend to the Chapter, Judge Colombo.

## **From Classroom to Courtroom for Law Students**

To a young lawyer, appearing in federal court can seem like a daunting task. To diminish the anxiety of federal court practice, the Chapter's Diversity Committee hosted "From Classroom to Courtroom," a one-day event for law students. On January 11, more than 90 law students from Wayne State University Law School, University of Detroit-Mercy School of Law, Western Michigan University-Cooley Law School, and the University of Toledo College of Law enjoyed an opportunity to meet federal judges, observe court proceedings, learn tips for their summer externships, and network with practicing attorneys.

The day began with a three-judge panel. Judge Laurie J. Michelson, Bankruptcy Judge Mark A. Randon, and Magistrate Judge Elizabeth A. Stafford each shared about their first jobs out of law school and how they made their way to the federal bench. When it came to federal practice, the judges highlighted the keystone skills of legal research and writing, while Magistrate Judge Stafford emphasized civility and perseverance.

From there, students went to court. They had their choice of jury trials in front of Judges Gershwin A. Drain, David M. Lawson, and Mark A. Goldsmith. And Judge Borman opened his courtroom for a plea hearing. Each judge then spoke with the students.

At lunch, courtesy of Bucharest Grill, a panel featuring Assistant U.S. Attorneys Jihan Williams and Mitra Jafary, along with Assistant Federal Defender Jim Gerometta and Career Law Clerk Eric Lee, shared their career perspectives. Over falafel wraps, the lawyers dished out practice tips and reflected on the importance of diversity to the legal profession.

The day's events concluded with more court. Students had the opportunity to watch arraignments in duty court followed by a suppression hearing in Chief Judge Hood's courtroom. Then Judge Cox welcomed students for a plea hearing in the late afternoon.

The day achieved its twin goals of offering pro tips for federal court practice and assuaging the anxiety aspiring federal practitioners might have. The Chapter's Diversity Committee offers a heartfelt thanks to all the panel participants, Tanya Lundberg at University of Detroit-Mercy School of Law, Diane Fears at Wayne State University Law School, and Shari Lesnick at Western Michigan University-Cooley Law School.

## **Law Clerk Committee in Action**

Former law clerks universally agree that a clerkship is one of the most rewarding and valuable legal jobs they will ever have. The Chapter's Law Clerk Committee seeks to engage and educate law students about the benefits of judicial clerkships (and internships). The Committee also creates opportunities for current and former federal law clerks to stay connected to the judges and fellow law clerks in order to foster lifelong friendships, as well as opportunities for mentoring and networking. In 2018, the Committee worked to promote all of these goals.

One of the Committee's key projects over the past few years has been to assemble and update a Law Clerk Directory, a searchable database of former law clerks who clerked for Sixth Circuit, district, magistrate, and bankruptcy judges in the Eastern District of Michigan. This database is the first of its kind and is sponsored by the National FBA. As a result of the Committee's work last year, the database will be launched soon and will be searchable by law clerk name, clerkship year, judge, and/or court. The directory will be available to all current and former law clerks and Chapter members.

The Committee also held events to support current law clerks and interns. In January, the Committee held a resume workshop where Committee members reviewed resumes of current law clerks and offered suggestions and job search advice for those seeking employment at the end of their clerkship terms.

In June, the Committee organized a "Lunch and Learn" panel for the summer interns at the courthouse. The panelists included Judge Laurie J. Michelson, Matt Allen, Brad Hall, and Susan McKeever.

In October, the Committee sponsored its second annual law clerk happy hour at Avalon Cafe for all current law clerks. Thanks to our Chapter's Board, the Committee provided free food and drinks to all of the clerks who attended as they socialized after their day-long orientation.

In October and November, the Committee organized and participated in two law school panels to inform law students about the benefits of judicial internships and clerkships. In October, Chapter Program Chair (past Committee Co-Chair) Jennifer Newby participated in a panel at Wayne State University Law School. In November, the Committee organized a panel at the University of Michigan Law School, which included Judge Judith E.

Levy, former district, circuit, and U.S. Supreme Court clerk Amanda Rice, and former district and circuit court clerk Mitra Jafary-Hariri. Over 70 law students attended the event, which was moderated by Jennifer Newby.

The Committee is looking forward to continuing its work in 2019, including hosting its popular Judicial Family Reunion event, which is currently scheduled for October 17, 2019 at the law offices of Honigman Miller in Detroit. Further details regarding the Judicial Family Reunion will be provided in the upcoming months. If you have any questions about the Committee, please reach out to Co-Chairs Sarah Resnick Cohen (Sarah.Cohen@usdoj.gov) or Lauren Mandel (Lauren\_Mandel@mied.uscourts.gov).

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## In Memoriam

The Chapter would like to acknowledge the passing of two former judicial officers who served the Eastern District of Michigan for many years. Former U.S. Magistrate and District Judge Barbara K. Hackett passed away on December 23, 2018. Former U.S. Magistrate Judge Paul J. Komives passed away on December 10, 2018. Obituaries about the judges and their incredible careers are available on the Court's website.

Judge Hackett - <http://www.mied.uscourts.gov/PDFFiles/BarbaraHackettObituary.pdf>

Judge Komives - <http://www.mied.uscourts.gov/PDFFiles/komives.pdf>



## Calendar of Events

**Mar. 15 Wade H. McCree Jr. Award Luncheon**  
The Westin Book Cadillac Detroit,  
1114 Washington Boulevard,  
Detroit, MI, 48226  
11:30 AM Reception  
12:00 PM Luncheon  
Members: \$45 | Non-Members: \$60 | Clerks: \$35  
Keynote Speaker:  
U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow  
Nominations due: February 20

**Mar. 20 Sustaining and Executive Affiliate Members Appreciation Event**  
Miller Canfield Law Firm  
150 W Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48226  
4:30-6:30pm.  
Free to Sustaining and Executive Affiliate Members.  
If you would like to come and are not yet a Sustaining or Executive Affiliate Member, it's not too late to upgrade your membership!  
Email Executive Director Mindy Herrmann at fbamich@fbamich.org and she can make it happen!

**Mar. 28 2019 Bankruptcy Luncheon**  
Doubletree Downtown-Fort Shelby  
11:30 AM – 2:00 PM  
Members: \$39 | Nonmembers: \$46  
Contact fbamich@fbamich.org for more details.

**April 16 Appellate Seminar**  
Hosted by the Appeals Committee  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM  
Save the Date! More details to follow!

**April Leonard R. Gilman Award Luncheon**  
Date and venue to be determined.  
11:30 AM Reception  
12:00 PM Luncheon  
Members: \$45 | Non-Members: \$60 | Clerks: \$35

**May 1 Law Day at the Courthouse: A Downtown Tradition**  
Welcoming your staff, clients, and downtown neighbors to visit the Courthouse and the Judges, between 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M.  
Live demonstrations, such as bomb-sniffing dogs, and tours of the Courthouse; Ask the Lawyer; hot dogs and chips. Don't miss it this year.

**June 19 39TH ANNUAL DINNER featuring:**  
• Election and installation of Officers and Board Members  
• The Twelfth Annual Julian Abele Cook, Jr. - Bernard A. Friedman Civility Award to be presented in recognition of a civil practitioner who is an outstanding example of professional excellence and civility. Nominations for Civility Award open.  
5:30 PM cocktails  
6:30 PM dinner  
Atheneum Suites Hotel International Banquet & Conference Center,  
400 Monroe St, Detroit, MI 48226  
Members: \$100 | Non-Members: \$120 | Clerks/Junior Members: \$80  
Table Sponsorships available: \$1,200  
Nominations for Cook-Friedman Award Due: May 25

**June Chapter Golf & Tennis Outing and Dinner**  
Date and venue to be determined.  
To register a foursome,  
email lemanski@butzel.com.

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