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GENERAL MEETING - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1975 - 12:00 Noon

(JOINT MEETING WITH THE YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION)

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BROWARD COUNTY TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1975

5:00 P.M. WORKSHOP 6:30 P.M. Cash Bar 7:00 P.M. Dinner — \$10.00

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November 19, 1975 — 4:30 P.M.

WORKMANS COMPENSATION

Speakers:

Anthony J. Beisler

Eugene N. Betts

Room 250, Broward County Courthouse

December 17, 1975 — 4:30 P.M.

Program to be announced



Gene Rimes and Drake Batchelder present golf trophies.

The winners of the Golf Tournament held on October 3, 1975 were:

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Longest Drive - Drake Batchelder

Legislation — Proposed House Resolution No. 2278

This is proposed federal legislation which, if passed, would allow, under certain conditions, the establishment of a separate board of bar examiners to certify minory applicants for admission to

the Bar. The Act may be cited as "The Legal Practice Equal Opportunity Act of 1975."

The Executive Committee has adopted a resolution opposing this legislation, and the matter will be discussed at the next general meeting. Broward County Bar Association 733 N.E. Third Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33304 764-8040

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SCHEDULE OF NON-COURTHOUSE HEARINGS— CIRCUIT COURT

Date	1 9 7 5 Pompano	Hollywood
Nov. 18	Judge Tedder	Judge Ferris
Nov. 25	Judge Hare	Judge Seay
Dec. 2	Judge Minnet	Judge Booher
Dec. 9	Judge Nance	Judge Farrington
Dec. 16	Judge Richardson	Judge Fischer
Dec. 23	Judge Gonzalez	Judge McCauley
Dec. 30	Judge Warren	Judge LaMotte

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The United States Supreme Court's unanimous decision in Goldfarb vs. Virginia State Bar, 43 U.S.L.W. 4723, June 16, 1975, holding it illegal for bar associations to establish minimum fee schedules for real estate transactions is apparently going to have far reaching effect on the matter of the delivery of legal services in general. In that case it was successfully contended that the fee schedules established by the Virginia State and Fairfax County bar associations constituted price fixing in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act. In reaching its decision the Supreme Court overturned the decision of the Court of Appeals for the Fourth District, which decision had held that the law is a "learned profession" and therefore not subject to interstate commerce under the Sherman Act. The Supreme Court found that interstate commerce had been affected and that lawyers engage in interstate commerce.

It is now clearly the position of many persons both within and without our profession that Goldfarb has ramifications far beyond the area of minimum fee schedules. Many contend, for example, that the decision will have substantial influence over the prohibition within our profession against advertising. In fact, it has been reliably reported that United States Justice Department representatives have indicated that they view advertising restrictions as "phase II" after Goldfarb. Probably because he feels pressures being exerted against him for the profession to relax its historical stand against lawyer advertising, the new president of the ABA, Lawrence E. Walsh of New York, has undertaken to begin a bar mobilization effort to develop all information on lawyer advertising. The antitrust laws seem to establish a presumption in favor of price and service advertising and, as a result, those who object to the present advertising prohibition contend that the prohibition restricts prices and price competition and therefore should be struck down. The outcome of this contest remains to be seen; but it seems here that one objective of President Walsh's effort will be to attempt to determine whether or not the public (as opposed to the advertiser) has been served by advertising or has advertising actually been counterproductive in certain areas which could be related to the delivery of competent legal services. President Walsh would like to have our opinions concerning advertising by lawyers and if you wish to respond, you may direct your suggestions to our bar office and we will forward them to him.

GEORGE A. PATTERSON President

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

ECONOMICS COMMITTEE — Carl Schuster, Chairman

The Tabulation of the results of a survey taken by the Economics Committee in August, 1974, is nearing completion and will be printed and distributed to BCBA members in the near future. Another survey will be made to update this report, and information on this will be mailed soon.

LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE — Robert T. Clelland, Jr.

The Lawyer Referral Service Committee has been directed to present guidelines for a low cost divorse plan to the Executive Committee. In reacting to an apparent need which is reflected in the large number of dissolution of marriage cases handled by Legal Aid Service of Broward County, Inc., it has been determined that the program for low cost divorces should be studied. It is hoped that the plan will help release the Legal Aid

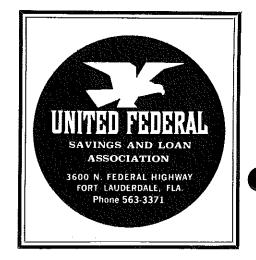
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Service for needed legal services. Barry Klein, the Legal Aid Service Director has advised the Bar that his office is overburdened and that no new legal case will be accepted until January, 1976.

LEGAL AID COMMITTEE — Judge Bobby Gunther, Chairman

The Legal Aid Committee has recommended that the financial guidelines for legal aid under the Bar Association's program be the same as those adopted for Legal Aid Service. The committee recommended that there be no change in the guidelines regarding type cases handled by the Bar's program.

MEDICAL-LEGAL COMMITTEE — Maurice Fixel, Chairman

The 1967 publication entitled, A Guide For Physicians and Lawvers for Handling the Problems Arising Out of Personal Injury Litigation, is presently being revised by the joint Medical Legal Committee of the Broward County Bar Association and the Broward County Medical Association. It is requested that any one having any suggestions concerning this publication or additions or deletions thereto contact the Co-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. William deF. Thompson, 707 S.E. Third Avenue, Suite 400, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, (phone 525-1372) at the earliest possible time. Hopefully the publication will be ready for the printers by the spring of 1976.

The new fee schedule approved by the joint committee of BCBA & BCMA is:—

Fees for depositions of doctors at the doctor's office:

- a. \$125 for the first hour or portion thereof;
- b. \$100 for the subsequent period, pro rated per quarter hour, i.e., \$25 per 15 minutes.

Fee for court-appearances of doctors:

- a. \$150 for the first hour, portal to portal;
- b. \$150 for the subsequent period, pro rated per quarter hour, i.e., \$37.50 per 15 minutes.

Charges to be assessed against doctors: The fee schedule requires the doctor to be available at the time of the scheduled deposition or shortly thereafter. If no effort is made by the doctor to notify the attorney that he will be late and he is late 15 minutes or more for a scheduled deposition in his office, each attorney representing a party at the deposition can charge the doctor pro rata at the same rate for the time he had to wait against the fee to be paid to the doctor for the doctor's deposition time.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The Program Committee has made tentative plans for programs through May, 1976. The programs will feature the president of The Florida Bar, Justice Joseph W. Hatchett and Judge David U. Strawn.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Executive Committee met for a full afternoon of discussion and planning

in October. Leonard H. Gilbert, a past president of Hillsborough Bar Association and a member of the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar, was present at the meeting. Through this exchange of ideas it is hoped that several new programs will be developed.

A questionnaire regarding Bar Association activities is being mailed to all members. Your response to this will give your committees valuable information in planning future activities for the Association.

RADIO – TALK PROGRAM

A radio talk program sponsored by the Broward County Bar Association will be broadcast over WAVS Radio Station on Saturday mornings from 10:05 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. beginning November 1, 1975 through and including April 17, 1976.

The format of the show will be interviews by co-moderators, S. Charles Adams and/or Gaylord Wood, of one or more attorneys on specific areas of the law. Listeners will be invited to participate in this show by calling in to an open telephone line in order to inquire of the attorneys present.

Areas to be covered are:

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Any attorneys who feel competent to field questions in the above areas of the law and, who would be willing to appear on the radio show scheduled to air on Saturday mornings at the above said time should contact the Broward County Bar Association, 764-8040. There is also a need for Moderators.

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If you would like more information about either of these programs, please contact Cheryl Eisen at Nova Law School, 3301 College Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33314, or phone 587-6660, extension 283.

* Professor Eisen is an Assistant Professor of Law at Nova University. She comes from the University of Florida Law School where she was Co-ordinator of the Legal Writing Program. She currently teaches Contracts and Legal Research and Writing.



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