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## NO GENERAL MEETING IN JUNE

### THE FLORIDA BAR CONVENTION

June 13-16, 1979

### DISNEY WORLD

Next Meeting — July 19, 1979

#### YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION MEETING

Thursday, June 28, 1979

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Your Broward County Bar Association has, over the years, developed outstanding programs. These have been the result of a number of well qualified and hard working leaders. The programs are as good as those of any other association and better than all but the very top few.

The Association was created and exists to serve you. The programs are designed to benefit you. The Officers, Executive members, Sections and Committees were elected and appointed to hold these positions to promote the Association and its program to serve the needs of its members. There is a hard working full time staff paid and anxious to help you. The one thing which the Officers, Executive Committee mem-

bers and staff cannot do for you is PARTICIPATE.

The continuing quality of the programs and the benefit you derive will be limited to the contribution you make. We very much need and would like your individual participation in the program and your attendance at meetings.

Special effort is being made to obtain interesting speakers and make the programs effective. Please give up your thoughts and your help.

MAURICE O. RHINEHARDT

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#### Renegotiation Of Interest On Freddie Mac Notes

Mortgage loans executed on Freddie Mac documents provide for renegotiation of the interest rate on the loan if the mortgage is assumed by the purchaser of the property. Some local savings and loan associations are renegotiating the interest rate on the loan on assumption.

The deposit receipt and contract for sale and purchase approved by the Broward County Bar Association and the Florida Area Board of Realtors, Inc., revised February, 1978, contemplates the insertion of the interest rate of the loan to be assumed. When using this or a similar form of contract, consideration should be given to the renegotiation aspect of the Freddie Mac documents.

REAL PROPERTY SECTION

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#### Board of Governors Meeting of May, 1979

The Board of Governors met at Atlantic Beach on May 10th and 11th, 1979.

In accordance with custom, the ten newly elected members who will be taking office in June were invited to the May meeting and nine were in attendance, including Drake M. Batchelder, the 17th Circuit's newest member, and Don Evans, the first non-resident member elected to any Board in the United States.

The Thursday morning session was devoted to disciplinary matters. Two lawyers received Board level private reprimands.

On the balance of the first day, the Board:

1. Made Bar appointments to the Judicial Nominating Commissions throughout the State. Curtin Coleman was appointed to the Fourth Appellate District and Pat Bailey to the 17th Judicial Circuit.

2. Approved the Agenda for the General Assembly meeting of the Annual Meeting.

3. Employed a second auditor and another assistant staff counsel.

4. Approved a Petition to make permanent the Pilot Legal Assistance Program for military personnel in the Pensacola area enabling officers in JAG to provide legal assistance to servicemen.

5. Reinstated \$15,000.00 for legislative activities of the Trial Lawyers Section in the 1979-1980 budget.

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Harry G. Carratt ..... *Pres.-Elect*  
James H. Walden ..... *Sec.-Treas.*  
Norma Howard .. *Executive Director*

**Board of Governors (cont.)**

At Friday's session, the Board heard the report of its counsel, Dick McFarlain, on the status of legislative matters. The Legislative committee discussing the "sunset" of The Florida Bar has appointed a select committee to study the matter. The Bar is vigorously opposing the suggestion of "sunset". **The Florida Evidence Code will go into effect on July 1, 1979; and there is no legislative effort to repeal it.**

The decision was made to lease, rather than purchase, equipment required for the grievance program.

Earlier in the year, the Board approved the expenditure of \$15,000.00 with the accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand to determine what changes were required in the Bar's budgeting and reporting procedures. The report was presented and was generally favorable. Some of the auditors verbal remarks included: "Overall it is a very effective cost program. There is some excess capacity but not a great deal. It is a very well managed operation. An internal auditor is not necessary."

Nevertheless, there were numerous specific recommendations in the auditor's report and these will be discussed at the Board's July meeting for possible implementation. For example, it was recommended that:

1. The budget committee be reorganized and restructured.
2. The policy issues underlying the relationship between the Bar and the Sections must be addressed.
3. The present system of planning and budgeting be amended to include an annually updated five year long-range plan to make the annual budget program activity and service oriented rather than by line item, incrementally calculated.

The Board then approved the proposed plan of Florida Lawyers' Prepaid Legal Services Corporation, Inc. This is the Bar sponsored open panel plan available to all lawyers for a membership fee of \$25.00.

Because of the possibility that appeals or actions may arise out of judicial decisions in news media use decisions in which the Court has no rep-

resentation, the Board approved a motion to have volunteer panels of lawyers available to represent the Court.

In concluding the business session, the Board accepted the report of the Economics and Management of Law Practice Section which sought to clarify "legal assistants" and their role. The matter will be further discussed in July.

HUGH S. GLICKSTEIN  
WILLIAM F. LEONARD  
O. EDGAR WILLIAMS

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**Dress Code For The Courts  
During Summer Months**

At a meeting of the Circuit and County Court Judges of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit on May 18, 1979, a motion was made, seconded and carried that the Chief Judge be authorized and directed to establish a new dress code for attorneys and the public appearing in courts during the warm months of the year. This was done to aid in energy conservation and for the comfort of those attending court.

Accordingly, it shall be the policy of the courts from May through September, 1979, that attorneys, the public, and employees attending court need not wear neckties, coats, or jackets. Their manner of dress, however, shall comport with acceptable casual business attire.

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## THIRTY YEARS AGO

The minutes of a Broward County Bar Association meeting held on May 13, 1949, reflect the following:

"Mr. Tom Fleming moved that the Bar Association recommend to our Circuit Judges that lawyers be permitted to try cases in their shirt sleeves during the months of April to October, inclusive. This motion was seconded and upon vote thereof was carried. The secretary was instructed to deliver a copy of the recommendation to our Judges."

On June 1, 1949, Sam O'Bryan sent the recommendation to the three Judges of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, C. E. Chillingworth, George W. Tedder and Joe S. White. Judge Chillingworth ac-

knowledged Mr. O'Bryan's letter and added the following P.S.:

"Apparently Tom Fleming wants to try a case or cases in his shirt sleeves. For me, please tell him that up in Palm Beach County we have an established tradition that lawyers wear trousers and often shoes."

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### How Some Kids View The Legal Profession

"A good thing to remember about needing a lawyer is don't." "The difference between lawyers now and in the past is today they know not to try to do everything, but to specialize. Like cows give milk, while chickens prefer to lay eggs." "Lawyers sometimes be-

come judges. Maybe they become attorneys too. I do not know. It takes all my knowing to know that lawyers sometimes become judges." "A good attorney should keep thinking about his case around-the-clock, 12 days a week." "Will we never run out of lawyers? The chances are 999 out of a hundred." "Because cause of computers, we won't need lawyers in a few hundred years. Just wait and see." "The Justinian Code is a well-know code few people have ever heard of." "The Justinian Code was made in 529, but I forgot whether it was A.C. or D.C." "I looked up what a habeas corpus is twice, but I forgot it three times." "Once I had a chance to read a whole stack of law books. Things they say in law books are only to look at, not to understand." "Ideas about laws have advanced to the point where they are really not good for anything but being law books." "Law and order will not be like it should until it gets like it was when we did not have any and appreciated all the things law and order could give us." "I am not sure how many lawyers there are in the United States, but trying to find out is one of my constant doings." "When I learned we were going to visit a courthouse I told my feet to quiet down, but they felt too Saturday to listen." "By learning that lawyers are sometimes called attorneys, I now know two places in the encyclopedia I can try to find out about them." "Now that I know about lawyers, the next time I hear them being talked about like they are important, I will just twinkle an eye and know why."

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### ABA APPOINTMENT

W. GEORGE ALLEN has been appointed to the Standing Committee on Membership of the American Bar Association. The term of the appointment is three years beginning at the adjourn-

## NOTICE OF BAR GROUP MEETINGS

Date	Organization	Location	Time
6/7/79	South Broward Bar Assn.	Emerald Hills Country Club 4100 North Hills Drive Hollywood, Fl	6:30 P.M.
6/15/79	Federal Bar Association (For reservations, call Pat Barry — 462-3301)	Riverside Hotel 620 E. Las Olas Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, Fl	12:00 Noon
6/12/79	North Broward Bar Assn.	Flaming Pit Restaurant 1150 N. Federal Hwy. Pompano Beach, Fl	12:00 Noon
6/12/79	Criminal Defense Lawyers Assn.	Sheraton Hotel 303 N. Atlantic Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, Fl	6:30 P.M.
6/27/79	Broward County Legal Secretaries Assn.	Stouffer's Anacapi 1901 N. Federal Highway Ft. Lauderdale, Fl	6:30 P.M.

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ment of the Annual Meeting in August, 1979. The appointment was made by Leonard S. Janofsky, President-Elect of the ABA.

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

JEFFREY S. ALTMAN, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., received his undergraduate degree from City College of New York and his law degree from St. John's University. He is associated with the firm of Goldberg, Young, Goldberg & Borkson, in Fort Lauderdale.

JAN D. ATLAS, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., received his undergraduate degree from Bucknell and his law degree from St. Johns University. He is associated with the firm of Goldberg, Young, Goldberg & Borkson in Fort Lauderdale.

ROBERT B. BRATZEL, a native of Havana, Cuba, received his undergraduate degree from University of Florida and his law degree from the University of Miami. He practices alone in Deerfield Beach.

ROBERT B. CARNEY, III, a native of Hawaii, received his undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina and his law degree from Drake University. He is associated with the State Attorney's office.

RONALD B. FINN, a native of Montreal, Canada, received his undergraduate degree from the University of Cincinnati and his law degree from Chase College of Law. He practices alone in Fort Lauderdale.

ROY FLACK, a native of New York City, received his undergraduate degree from the Harvard Law School. He is associated with the firm of Parman Florida, Inc.

DOUGLAS J. GLAID, a native of Pittsburgh, Pa., received his undergraduate degree from Biscayne College and his law degree from Nova University. He is associated with Kay, Roderman & Silber in Fort Lauderdale.

JOSEPH J. HIGGINS, a native of Elizabeth, New Jersey, received his undergraduate degree from Seton Hall and his law degree from Georgetown University. He practices alone in Fort Lauderdale.

PAUL GREGORY JONES, a native of Baltimore, Maryland, receiving his undergraduate degree from the United States Military Academy and his law degree from McGeorge School of Law in California. He is associated with Berryhill, Avery, Williams & Scott in Fort Lauderdale.

ERNIE KOLLRA, a native of Scranton, Pa., received his undergraduate degree at the University of Scranton and his law degree at Nova. He is associated with the firm of Berk & Wagner in Fort Lauderdale.

KATHLEEN V. McCARTHY, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., received her undergraduate degree from Marymount College and her law degree from the University of Miami. She is associated with the firm of Ruden, Barnett, McCloskey & Schuster, of Fort Lauderdale.

STEPHEN B. MOSS, a native of Jacksonville, Florida, received his undergraduate degree from Tulane University and his law degree from Cumberland. He is associated with the firm of Glass, Schultz, Weinstein & Moss.

KEVIN L. O'BRIEN, a native of Jersey City, New Jersey, received his undergraduate degree from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., and his law degree from the University of Miami School of Law. He is associated with Carey, Dwyer, Cole, Selwood & Bernard of Fort Lauderdale.

RONALD I. OSTROW, a native of Minneapolis, Minnesota, received his undergraduate and his law degrees from Drake University. He is associated with Ostrow & Ostrow in Margate, Florida.

RONALD D. POLTORACK, a native of New York City, received his undergraduate degree from City University of New York and his law degree from University of Miami. He is associated with Walton, Lantaff, Schroeder & Carson in Fort Lauderdale.


DOUGLAS K. SILVIS, a native of Kittinging, Pa., received his undergraduate degree from Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia and his law degree from the University of Miami. He is associated with English, McCaughan & O'Bryan in Fort Lauderdale.

FRANK J. SINAGRA, a native of Kingston, New York, received his undergraduate degree at State University at New Paltz and his law degree at the University of Florida. He is associated with the firm of Friedman, Britton, Cohen, Kaufman, Zinkow, Benson & Schantz.

JEROME I. SOLKOFF, a native of Rochester, New York, received his undergraduate degree from Cornell University and his law degree at the University of Buffalo. He is associated with the firm of Friedman, Britton, Cohen, Kaufman, Zinkow, Benson & Schantz.

MARK T. SPRINGER, a native of Rochester, Pa., received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Florida. He is associated with the State Attorney's Office in Fort Lauderdale.

JOHN R. SUTTON, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., received his undergraduate degree from Gettysburg College and his law degree from the University of Miami. He practices alone in Coral Springs.



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