



August 11, 2017 Chapter Newsletter

Chapter News

August 25th Chapter Luncheon - Register Now!

Our first Chapter Luncheon is coming up Friday, August 25, 2017! *Natalie Robinson Kelly*, Director of Law Practice Management Program with the State Bar of Georgia will be our speaker. Her presentation will be "Efficiency, Technology, and Ethics - Practice Management, Document Assembly and Robots." **Her talk carries 1 Georgia CLE hour.**

We built in time for NETWORKING! If you are a new member or just haven't been able to meet very many chapter members, this will be a great opportunity! Bring business cards!

- 11:00 am - Noon - New Member / Law Student mixer & Networking
- 12:00 taco bar open
- 12:15 Meeting opens
- 12:30 Speaker's presentation starts

Tickets: \$25.00 per person

Location: 5 Seasons Restaurant & Brewery (Westside), [1000 Marietta St NW #204, Atlanta, GA 30318](#)

Registration is up on [our website](#). Please be sure to register by midnight on Monday, August 21, 2017.

NEW REGISTRATION PROCESS

Please use the PayPal link to pay your registration fee. When you complete this you will be [directed to this google form](#) (you must click "return to merchant"). After you pay, please complete [the google form](#) for every person in your party.

Call for USCIS Liaison Questions

From USCIS Atlanta Liaison Chair Sam Radin - Our next committee meeting with USCIS is scheduled for August 25th. At the meeting, we will be following up on the languishing SIJS AOS applications and the "list" of long-pending cases previously submitted.

If you have other general questions, please email them to Sam Radin at SRadin@immlawfirm.com by COB on Wednesday, August 16, 2017. Also, as a reminder, the specific mailbox assignments are updated on the [chapter website](#). Please send your inquiries to the applicable mailbox.

Joint Asylum Committee / GAIN Training

AILA's Asylum Committee is teaming up with GAIN to offer an asylum training on Friday August 31 at the State Bar building from 9am to 12pm. They are planning to have an immigration judge and a representative from OCC participate. Approval for CLE credit is pending. We'll send out more details as they become available.

Volunteer for Citizenship Day 2017

Save the Date! Citizenship Day is on September 16, 2017! What's more fun than sleeping in and watching cartoons on Saturday morning? Helping people Naturalize! Please come volunteer for Citizenship Day. It will be on September 16, 2017 at the Latin American Association. We are asking all volunteers to arrive at 8:30am for a short training. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please see the link below to sign up. Thank you!

To volunteer, visit [this website](#).

Thank you to Nicole Weinauer and Justin Russo, our Citizenship Day Co-Chairs for getting this together!

Local News

SPLC Files Complaint Against IJs at EOIR

Earlier this week, the SPLC filed a against all the IJs at Stewart. The SPLC encourages all of us, in light of this letter, to join in this effort and to file complaints. It is important that EOIR understand that the issues raised are not isolated or unique to SIFI. If you are at all inclined to let us at the SPLC know of what actions you take in this regard, please reach out directly to Peter Isbister at peter.isbister@splcenter.org.

Review the complaint [online](#).

Town Hall with Senator Johnny Isackson this Monday

Want to share your thoughts with Senator Isackson on the RAISE Act, ICE enforcement policies? Here are the details for Monday's town hall with Sen. Johnny Isakson:

<https://www.isakson.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/town-hall-meetings>

Monday, August 14, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.
Kennesaw State University
Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center
488 Prillaman Way
Kennesaw, Ga. 30144
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Doors open at 6:00 p.m., and seating will be first come, first served.

Upcoming Events

- August 25th: Chapter Luncheon at 5 Seasons Westside: Register on [our website](#).
- September 16th: Citizenship Day in Atlanta. Register to volunteer [online](#).
- September 15th: [Fearless Lawyering: Business Immigration Litigation](#) in Portland, OR.
 - Early-bird deadline is August 17. You'll get an additional discount (which saves you \$150), if you enter ACATT817 when you register on Agora by August 17.
 - A unique, hands-on practicum organized by the American Immigration Council and co-sponsored by AILA. The Council aims to demystify the process of challenging denials of business-related petitions in federal court. Through panel sessions, the use of a case study and interactive sessions, you will learn how to develop the administrative record; draft, file, and serve a complaint; and hone your litigation skills to oppose a motion to dismiss and prevail on summary judgment. This conference will be led by experienced litigators and is intended for attorneys at all levels. To facilitate peer-to-peer and faculty/participant interaction, space for this intensive workshop is limited. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until September 8, or until all spaces are full, whichever occurs first.

Ongoing Activities

- Vote on the AILA bylaws amendment regarding an additional New Member Division Representative to the Board of Governors (**Voting ends TODAY, August 11th**):
 - <https://eballot4.votenet.com/aila>
- Problems with EOIR's Pilot Bailiff Program
 - If your clients have had any negative experiences with the EOIR Bailiff's Program (through which EOIR has contracted with Federal Protective Service to provide security in non-detained immigration cases) please submit it as an example to AILA -- our National Asylum & Refugee Liaison Committee is [collecting examples](#).
- Raid Updates
 - If you want to be added to the Crimmigration listserv that is our effort in conjunction with GACDL, email Latrice Latin llatin@latinlawimm.com.
- CFI/RFI help needed at Stewart Detention Center

- Contact Amir Naim to volunteer –anaim@georgiaasylum.org. you do not need to go in person and can participate by telephone.

Job Scene

Resumes Attached

Ayan Salah is a recent graduate of Vanderbilt University Law school. She seeks a job as an entry-level associate at an immigration firm in Atlanta.

Candace Ranglin is an experienced attorney who seeks an associate immigration attorney position.

Viviana Fajnwaks seeks a paralegal position in the Atlanta area.

Latin American Association Seeks Family-Based Immigration Attorney

The LAA seeks a talented attorney licensed to practice in any state with at least 2 years of experience in family-based immigration law to provide direct legal services to applicants seeking family-based petitions, consular processing, residency, naturalization, temporary protected status and other related immigration applications.

Please see attached flyer for more information.

Multiple Openings at the Southern Poverty Law Center

So many opportunities - check these out:

- <https://careers-splcenter.icims.com/jobs/1149/sifi-lead-attorney-%28stewart%29/job>
- <https://careers-splcenter.icims.com/jobs/1147/sifi-project-coordinator-%28lasalle%29/job>
- <https://careers-splcenter.icims.com/jobs/1146/staff-attorney-litigation---immigrant-justice-project/job>
- <https://careers-splcenter.icims.com/jobs/1145/senior-staff-attorney-litigation---immigrant-justice-project/job>
- <https://careers-splcenter.icims.com/jobs/1143/sifi-advocacy-attorney/job>
- <https://careers-splcenter.icims.com/jobs/1140/outreach-paralegal---immigrant-justice-project/job>

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- Like us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/ailagaal/>
- Chapter Website: www.ga-al.com
 - Password for AILA Members Only Page: GA-AL-M3MB3R5!

- **Chapter Yahoo Group:** In case you didn't, as chapter members, you get to use it. Send anyone on the Executive Committee an email if you want in on the action - the ability to post responsibly and search older threads.

