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October 6, 2017 Chapter Newsletter

Chapter News & Events

Lunch and Wellness for Only \$12.00!

Court Warriors Unite! The New Members Division and the Health and Wellness committees will be hosting a lunch for litigators on Thursday, October 12, from 11- 1 at the State Bar of Georgia. We will be helping each other recognize signs of stress and burnout, and identify techniques to help us stay in the fight.

We've designed individual exercises and small group discussions to keep the program interactive and interesting. Space is limited to 25, with preference given to younger lawyers. Some experienced lawyers will discuss some of their lowest, most brutal moments and what they do to "shine through the darkness." Door prizes will be awarded, of course!

Anyone who has court the morning of Oct 12th should feel free to work in the State Bar's attorney co-work area (computers and coffee provided), between the morning court calendar and the 11 am start time of the program. The Bar is a five minute walk from 180 Ted Turner. We will end the program at 12:30, in time to get back to Court by 1 pm.

Where: State Bar of Georgia, 104 Marietta Street NW, Suite 100, Atlanta, GA 30303

Date: October 12, 2017

Time: 11:00am - 1:00pm

Cost: \$12.00

Payment and Registration Link: <http://www.ga-al.com/health-and-wellness-luncheon/>

Litigation Roundtable Luncheon: A Case Study

The Chapter is pleased to invite Charles Kuck and Company to present their work (and success) on behalf of the high profile case of Jessica Colotl in the District Court. General discussion regarding federal litigation will follow their presentation.

Where: Maggiano's Perimeter, 4400 Ashford Dunwoody Rd., Dunwoody, GA 30346

Date: October 27, 2017

Time: 12:00pm - 1:30pm

Cost: \$25.00

Payment and Registration Link: <http://www.ga-al.com/chapter-luncheon/>

Call for Questions - Montgomery USCIS

USCIS Montgomery Liaison Committee will have its first quarterly meeting with the Montgomery Field Office on November 15th. Please submit any questions or concerns you may have by October 31, 2017 to zainab@solanofirm.com.

Future Events - Save the Date

November 1st - New Member Division and Law Student Member Mixer

November 3rd - Chapter Luncheon with a focus on Pro Bono and Ethics

December 6th - Chapter Holiday Party

February 23rd - 24th - Chapter Conference. Registration and schedule to be released soon!

Local News & Events

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Federal Litigation Newsletter

August and September immigration-related decisions from the 11th Circuit; Florida, Georgia, and Alabama District Courts, OCAHO and BIA are attached. Thank you for the editors for this great resource!

Calling Alabama Members! Trainings in Birmingham, Montgomery and Mobile

"Immigration: Practical Tips for Legal and Social Service Providers" is a free, full-day program sponsored by the Federal Defenders for the Northern, Middle, and Southern Districts, the Alabama Civil Justice Foundation, Alabama Appleseed, and ACLU of Alabama, and offers 6 hours of CLE credit. CEU credit for social workers is being sought.

The program will run:

Oct. 16, 2017: Birmingham Bar Association, 2021 2nd Ave N, Birmingham, Alabama

Oct. 17, 2017: Middle District of Alabama Federal Defenders, 817 S. Court St. Montgomery, Alabama

Oct. 18, 2017: Multi-Purpose Room, 205 Government Plaza, Mobile, Alabama

Topics will include the intersection of immigration and criminal defense law, country conditions, a primer on special visas, and in-depth discussion of the challenges facing immigrants and those working with them here in Alabama. Civil lawyers including LSA employees and volunteer lawyer program associates, members of the criminal defense bar, social workers, and advocates will all benefit from this free event.

Featured speakers include:

Nicole Ramos, Project Director, Border Rights Project, Al Otro Lado, San Ysidro, CA
Erika Pinheiro, Director of Policy & Technology, Al Otro Lado, San Ysidro, CA
Josh Medina, Equal Justice Works AmeriCorps Legal Fellow, University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa, AL

Registration will begin at 8:30 in each location, and the program will run from 9:00 AM-4 PM, with box lunch provided for \$10.00.

RSVP Required: leah.nelson@alabamaappleseed.org

See attached flyer for additional information.

National News & Events

Washington, DC Chapter Conference Next Month

DO NOT MISS this year's AILA DC Chapter all-day annual Fall Immigration Conference taking place on Wednesday, November 8th at the UMD Shady Grove Campus in Rockville, MD! See the links with the detailed Program Information and the Conference Flyer.

[Program Information](#)

[Conference Flyer](#)

This conference features three tracks with panels on all the hot topics affecting your practice, whether you focus on removal defense, asylum, business, compliance or a little bit of everything. The leading experts from our area and beyond, including government officials and members of the judiciary will share their wisdom. Registration rates (\$135.00 for members) are more than affordable and include a continental breakfast, boxed lunch and an afternoon snack. We look forward to seeing you there! PLEASE NOTE: All AILA members (and their paralegals) can take advantage of the member registration rates. Please e-mail AILA DC Vice Chair Elizabeth Kohler Maya (elizabeth@bromberglaw.com) for discount code.

Recent Immigration Headlines from the American Immigration Council

[FAIR Miscalculates the Cost of Unauthorized Immigration In A New Study](#)

Here's why reports of undocumented immigrants costing taxpayers billions of dollars are flat-out wrong.

[The House Approves \\$10 Billion for Trump's Border Wall](#)

The timing of the Committee's vote is significant—it likely represents Republicans' willingness to use border wall funding as a bargaining chip for both the year-end government funding debate and negotiations over the fate of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) initiative.

[The Senate Has Confirmed Lee Francis Cissna as Director of USCIS](#)

Cissna will oversee the agency in charge of adjudicating and issuing most immigration-related requests into the United States—including the Trump administration's termination of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.

[As the DACA Renewal Deadline Approaches, 50,000 Dreamers May Face Deportation](#)

The Department of Homeland Security has estimated that nearly 50,000 Dreamers have so far not submitted the necessary paperwork and fee, and would therefore be at risk for deportation when their DACA expires over the next five months.

[Supreme Court Likely to Decide Constitutionality of Immigration Detention Without Bond](#)

Justices will tackle whether the Constitution allows the government to detain noncitizens for more than six months without ever giving them an opportunity for a bond hearing.

[The White House Has Slashed Refugee Admissions to Record Lows](#)

The United States will only admit a maximum number of 45,000 refugees. This represents the lowest refugee admissions ceiling ever set by the U.S. government

Job Scene

Job Openings

The Urbina Law Firm seeks an Associate Attorney - Please see attached.

Seeking Associate Position (Alabama)

Alice Estaville is a California-licensed attorney looking for a position. She's also available to appear at USCIS Montgomery interviews. Please see attached resume.

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- 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.

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