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October 27, 2017 Chapter Newsletter

Chapter Events

November 3rd - Chapter Luncheon

November is all about giving - and at our Chapter Luncheon, we'll be talking about ways to give back through local pro bono opportunities!

- Elizabeth Matherne speaking on behalf of SPLC to tell us what the program is doing and how we can get involved.
- Emily Laney- Director of Refugee and Immigration Services at LSG who will share with us the best way to help refugees in the wake of the massive reduction in refugee arrivals to our country.
- Featured speaker is Leigh Burgess from the state bar discussing the ethics implications and tips when doing pro bono work.

We will have Pro Bono guides available for attendees that will including information on all the awesome organizations that they can volunteer with.

Attendees can sign-up to receive 1 ethics CLE credit (to be paid by attendee).

Where: 5 Church, 1197 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30361 (Colony Square)

Date: November 3, 2017

Time: 12:00pm - 1:30pm

Cost: \$25.00

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

There is a call-in option for this meeting. Yes, we do have a new microphone so hopefully technology will be on our side!

Number: 701-801-1211

Passcode: 617-121-923

November 1st - New Member Division and Law Student Mixer

The New Members Division presents its 3rd Annual Law Student Mixer on Wednesday November 1st from 7 to 9pm. Please share the attached flyer with any law students or recent graduates interested in immigration law. And no, you don't have to be a student or new member to attend - the more AILA members, the better! Come have a frightfully good time!

Where: Fragomen, Del Rey, Bersen & Loewy, LLC, 600 Peachtree St. NE Suite 4200, Atlanta, GA 30308

Date: November 1st

Time: 7pm - 9pm

There is no cost to attend but please RSVP by October 27th.

RSVP Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/xBIIbRHcmYwo0VP62>

Future Events - Save the Date

December 6th - Chapter Holiday Party

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

Chapter Conference Preview

Our Conference Planning Committee is giving us a sneak-peak into the conference schedule. It looks incredible! Registration will be open in the very near future, but if you'd like to see what's in store, please review the attached.

Chapter News

ICE ERO Contact Information and Staffing Update

Thank you to our ICE Committee for getting us the updated ACDC and ICDC detained list as well as the Atlanta non-detained list of officers. Please find these two documents attached.

The committee was also informed that AFOD Melissa Harper has been promoted to ICE HQ and is no longer in Atlanta. SDDO Felicia Cox will be acting AFOD for at least 30 days while a replacement is found.

Call for Questions - Montgomery USCIS

The 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.

Call for Questions - Atlanta USCIS

The USCIS Atlanta Liaison Committee will have its quarterly meeting with the Atlanta Field Office on November 17th. Please submit any questions or concerns you may have by November 6, 2017 to Sam Radin at ailaatlantaliaison@gmail.com.

Committee Highlight: CBP

Why wait a month to share the mission of our Customs and Border Protection Committee?!

The CBP committee is excited to support the Chapter through events like the annual Hartsfield-Jackson tour and increased outreach! Our committee exists to: (1) communicate the concerns of chapter members to the local CBP field office; (2) disseminate useful information and best practices regarding local CBP practices to the chapter; and (3) advocate on behalf of local chapter members before the local CBP field office regarding local CBP practices and policies.

In that regard, CBP Atlanta has communicated two policy reminders that AILA members may find useful. First, nonimmigrants, such as H-1B, arriving with a passport that expires prior to the petition validity dates can only be admitted to the expiration date of the passport presented. CBP cannot update or extend the I-94 record after the fact if the nonimmigrant later renews his or her passport.

Second, CBP's online travel history feature is only a tool to assist the public and not an official record, and may not be complete. The provided travel history may not reflect: land border arrivals/departures, closed loop cruise arrivals/departures, air carrier reservation updates, and USCIS updates, changes of status, extensions of stay, or adjustments of status. U.S. Citizen and Lawful Permanent Resident travel is NOT provided on this website. If the travel history is not complete, there is no action for the nonimmigrant or for CBP to take.

Local Events

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Faith Leaders To Announce Free Mental Health Support Program for DACA Students

On Thursday, November 2nd, a prominent and diverse group of interfaith and community leaders will gather to announce a mental health support program to support the physical, emotional and spiritual wellness of DACA students who are undergoing stress and anxiety while waiting to learn whether or not they can continue to live in the United States. Please see the attached press release for more information.

November 8th - Dine for a Cause with GAIN

The Georgia Asylum and Immigration Network (GAIN) is hosting a Dine for a Cause event next month! Join them for tasty Indian food, specialty drinks, and know that part of your tab will be donated to a great cause. See the attached flyer for more information.

Where: Chai Pani - 406 West Ponce De Leon Ave., Decatur, GA
Date: Wednesday, November 8th
Time: 5:30pm - Close

November 9th - Asian Americans Advancing Justice Community Champions Gala

Each year, the AAAJ gala honors the exceptional contributions select individuals and organization have made toward furthering the civil, social and economic rights of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders in Georgia and the Southeast.

They are honored to feature their keynote speaker [Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal](#). Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal represents Washington's 7th District. She is the first Indian-American woman to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives. Congresswoman Jayapal has spent the last twenty years working internationally and domestically as a leading national advocate for women's, immigrant, civil, and human rights. She also led one of the largest voter registration efforts in Washington State, helping over 23,000 new Americans to register to vote. In May 2013, Pramila was recognized as a White House "Champion of Change." To learn more about Congresswoman Jayapal, click [here](#).

For tickets and sponsorship opportunities, please visit the [event website](#).

LAA Announces State of Latinos Conference

The Latin American Association is hosting a new conference that addresses the critical issues facing Georgia's rapidly growing Latino population. The statewide gathering will take place on January 29 and 30, 2018 at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta.

The first day will focus on the macro-level dynamics that affect the state's 1 million Latinos and the social, economic, political and policy implications. The second day features concurrent summits on housing and education.

We are especially seeking the participation of local stakeholders with in-depth knowledge of local circumstances that affect the lives of Latinos and their neighbors. Register before November 16th to receive our discounted rate of \$50.

<https://thelaa.wufoo.com/forms/state-of-latinos-online-registration/>

Job Scene

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Open position: Attorney at Law at The Baldwin Law Firm

Description: Our firm needs to add another Attorney to our roster to manage increasing inquiries from clients. We operate a small but highly successful firm practicing in the areas of juvenile law, criminal defense, and immigration defense. We operate a highly

collaborative office in which each professional helps the others to ensure all of our clients receive the best possible service.

Required and preferred skills:

- Admittance to the state bar required
- 2+ years' experience
- Ability to handle a high case load and a willingness to meet personally with all clients

Send Resume: JBaldwin@thebaldwinlawfirm.net

Resumes

Ednny Ferrell is seeking a position as an immigration law assistant, receptionist or an entry-level paralegal role. Please see attached resume.

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 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.

	Tracie L. Klinke Chair Georgia Alabama Chapter American Immigration Lawyers Association
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