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# December 8, 2017 Chapter Newsletter

# Chapter Events



#### Bring on the Chill at the Chapter Holiday Party

The Executive Committee thanks everyone who braved the cold on Wednesday and came out to the Chapter Holiday Party! It was nice to see everyone and take our minds off of work and worry for a few hours. Also thank you to everyone who brought a toy for GAIN!

### Register for the 2018 Georgia-Alabama Conference

Here's something to do list before the holidays take-up all your memory and money :) Register for the 2018 Georgia-Alabama Chapter Conference - available on our <u>chapter website</u>.

Dates: February 23-24, 2018

Rates remain unchanged from last year:

- Attorney, AILA Member (Early Bird): \$400.00
- Attorney, Non-AILA Member: \$500.00
- Non-Profit Employee: \$275.00
- Paralegal: \$100.00
- Law Student (must have prior approval): \$50.00

The early bird rate goes away on January 5th - that's less than a month away!

Information about reserving a room at <u>The Georgian Terrace</u> is also on our website. We have secured a special rate of \$179.00 per night during the conference.

#### **Federal Litigation Workshop**

Come learn from a local legend in creative litigation, Peter Hill. He will walk us through the various remedies available in federal court and offer his own war stories to illustrate creative applications of these remedies in the fight for our clients against the overwhelming power of DHS and DOJ. We will end the meeting with a brainstorming session on how this chapter can better serve chapter members to improve the federal litigation here in Atlanta.

January 12, 2018 at Noon

Location: TBD

Registration will be available soon

# How to Represent Minors Before the Atlanta Immigration Court / Training for the Attorney of the Day Program

When: January 18, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Where: State Bar of Georgia - <u>104 Marietta St NW #100, Atlanta, GA 30303</u>

Sponsored by: GA-AL AILA Chapter Pro Bono Committee and KIND- Kids in Need of Defense

This event will offer hands-on training on best practices for representing minors and UAC's before the Atlanta Immigration Court, as well as how you can volunteer for our Attorney of the Day Program (AOTD). The AOTD is a local program authorized by EOIR and organized by your Pro Bono Committee to provide free legal consultations, by volunteers to unrepresented UAC's.

For more information on the AOTD Program or this training opportunity, please contact: Killa Marti, Esq.
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## Committee News and Events

### **Updated Contact Information for Asylum Committee**

The Asylum Committee is streamlining the inquiry process and asks that moving forward, all inquiries be sent to <a href="mailto:atlantaasylum@gmail.com">atlantaasylum@gmail.com</a>.

Monthly Litigation Newsletter Attached

We have updates from the 11st Circuit Court of Appeals, the District Courts and published and unpublished BIA decisions - thank you to John Gihon, Marshall Cohen, Roberta Cooper, Andrea Montavon-McKillip and Bruce Buchanan for getting this all together.

#### **New Member Division January Bootcamp**

Save the Date - the NMD will be hosting a small bootcamp for solo practitioners with a focus on marketing and finding clients on January 18th.

#### Reduce Stress - Yes, Please!

Our Wellness Committee reminds you to take care of yourself during this busy time of year. Attached is an article by AILA's own Reid Trautz discussing ways manage work - including taking a vacation every day. Yes, a vacation every day.

## **National News**

#### Travel Ban 3.0 in Effect

Earlier this week, the U.S. Supreme Court allowed the travel ban to take effect while lower courts work through the merits of the ban itself. Asian Americans Advancing Justice has a great <u>write-up</u> on the decision and what it means for our clients.

There was no need to mobilize at the airports this time around since the most everyone directly impacted has already been impacted abroad. We continue to monitor the situation and will respond as needed.

#### **Keep Fighting for Dreamers!**

AILA National reminds us that we cannot give up the fight for a clean Dream Act. From our Director of Government Relations., Greg Chen:

Keep telling stories of your clients who are Dreamers or who are businesses employing DACA recipients. Explain why there will be a terrible cost to inaction—that DACA recipients will lose their DACA protection in the next month and will be vulnerable to deportation, that they may never spend another holiday with their families, that communities and businesses depend on them. Write op-eds and letters to the editor, contact your elected officials, do whatever you can to tell the nation why this must happen before the holidays. AILA's Communications Team is always ready to assist you on media work.

Let's keep the fight on for Dream and smart immigration reform!

## Job Scene

- Antonini & Cohen are seeking an Associate Please see attached job description.
- Alexander D. Silpa, who recently passed the Georgia Bar, is looking for an entry position at a local immigration law firm.
- Removal Defense Paralegal needed at the Latin American Association Please see attached job description.

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  - Password for AILA Members Only Page: GA-AL-M3MB3R5!
- Chapter Yahoo Group: 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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