

From the President _____

As I begin my tenure as President of the Association, I would first like to, again, thank Liz Judd for her efforts on behalf of the Bar during the past two years. She navigated the Association through some difficult times and issues and deserves great credit. Thank you Liz.

As we move forward, I would like to continue our efforts to enhance the role and benefits of the Association on several key issues:

1. Increased member involvement in the various committees;
2. Addressing issues of concern between the Bench and the Bar;
3. Initiate an Attorney Orientation Program to introduce new (and seasoned) attorneys to the County row offices and courthouse personnel;
4. Continue our assessment of the feasibility of acquiring a permanent home for the Bar Association;
5. Increasing revenue to the Association through advertising opportunities; and
6. Continue the assessment of converting a portion of the County Law Library to additional attorney/client conference room and, perhaps, a lawyer lounge space.

I invite all members to share any concerns, complaints, or issues with me at anytime. I plan to meet with President Judge Tylwalk on a regular basis to maintain an open dialogue with the bench and to continue to enhance the benefits of the Association to all members.

Scott L. Grenoble, Esq.

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Members Admitted to U.S. Supreme Court



Congratulations to the 14 attorneys from Lebanon County were admitted to practice in front of the U.S. Supreme Court in December. From left, Elizabeth Judd, Roberta Santiago, Brian Deiderick, Jillian Copeland, Andrew Morrow, Nichole Eisenhart, Amy Leonard, Horace Ehrgood (attorney sponsor), Jennifer Wentzel, Magdalene Zeppos, Heather Eggert, Megan Ryland-Tanner, Ian Ehrgood, Jessica Weaver, and Kimberly Adams.

Upcoming Events include Expanded Bench/Bar

There are a variety of events coming up for the year, including an expanded Bench/Bar event in May. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Annual Dinner Dance: Saturday, April 2 at Brasenhill Mansion, 104 East Walnut Street, Lebanon. Cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and a “roast” of 50-year member Joseph Mesics. Formal invitations and RSVP cards will be mailed.

Spring Membership Meeting and Law Day: Friday, April 29. Meeting begins at 12:30 p.m. in Courtroom No. 2; Law Day at 2 p.m. in Courtroom No. 1.

Bench/Bar luncheon and CLE: Thursday, May 26 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. at St. Gertrude’s Club, 302 East Lehman Street, Lebanon. The newly expanded event includes lunch and 1 CLE credit. There will be no cost for members to attend, but you must RSVP by May 19. Invitations will be sent.

The Lebanon County Legal Journal will celebrate its **70th Anniversary** in July. A Happy

Hour is being planned to mark the occasion. Date and location TBD.

Adopt-A-Highway: Saturdays, May 14 and September 24. Meet at 10 for the clean up and enjoy lunch afterward.

Annual Meeting and Dinner: Thursday, November 10 in the Worrilow Room at The Foundry Craft Grillery.

Changes Coming to PBI CLE seminars

New Payment Option and Location Change for Video Replays

The Pennsylvania Bar Institute has instituted some changes to the ways attorneys can earn their CLE credits.

PBI ProPass

PBI is introducing the PBI ProPass: your choice of any 12 CLE credits presented by PBI for \$595, or \$495 for new attorneys.

The ProPass enables you to spend your 12 credits on any format program: live, simulcast, video replay, webinar, webcast, on demand video, podcast.

Rules for the program include the following:

- The PBI ProPass must be purchased online.
- Course registrations using the PBI ProPass must be completed online.
- For future use only.
- If you purchase a course

and do not attend the program in its entirety, no credit/cash/token will be returned or refunded, nor will credits not attended be awarded.

- The PBI ProPass is nontransferable.
- No substitutions (other attendees) may be made with the ProPass.
- The PBI ProPass cannot be used or combined with any additional coupons or discounts.
- Not applicable for PLI programs.

For more information about ProPass, contact PBI at 1-800-932-4637.

Video replay location changes

PBI also recently changed the



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way it will handle the video replays that have been shown at the Courthouse in Lebanon County. Beginning with the May sessions, they will no longer send out DVDs, but will live-stream all replays over the internet. Because the Courthouse does not have the equipment to show the seminars this way, the replays now will be held in the Bar Association office.

As before for both video replays and live web casts, all registration and payment will be handled through PBI by visiting www.pbi.org or calling 1-800-247-4724.

The special video replay topics and dates will be listed in the weekly Bar Briefs, as well as on the PBI web site.

Law Exploring Program Looking for New Chairperson

Do you enjoy talking with teens, sharing your experiences and knowledge as an attorney?

The Lebanon County Law Exploring program is in need of a new Chairperson to lead the group beginning in September. If no one volunteers to take the lead, the program will not be able to continue.

Each year students in grades eight through 12 are invited to participate in the Law Exploring program, with attorneys volunteering as advisors.

The students meet monthly from September to May to learn about law-related careers. Monthly programs include panel discussions with attorneys from

a variety of specialties, meeting with a Lebanon County Court of Common Pleas judge, and observation of a local trial as well as the Pennsylvania Superior Court. Past years' students have also participated in a mock trial.

If you are interested in learning more about the program, contact Susan in the Bar Office.



The Women Lawyers group once again “adopted” a needy family for the holidays. More than \$1,500 was collected, which several women used to purchase clothing, toys and gift cards.

Posing with some of the items they gave are Heather Eggert, Brittney Gardner from Lebanon County Children and Youth Services, Amy Leonard and Roberta Santiago.

The Public Relations Committee presented several checks to area charities just before the holiday season.

At left, Heather Eggert presents a check to Clair Weaver, Executive Director of Jubilee Ministries.

Presenting a check to Susan Spahr, Executive Director of The Lebanon Rescue Mission, are Andrew Morrow, Heather Eggert and Loreen Burkett.



Dues Notices sent

Membership dues notices were recently mailed to all members. As in past years, your PBA dues are included on the invoice. If you choose not to join PBA, or your dues are paid by another county, simply cross off that line.

If your PBA dues are sent to our office by March 18, you may take a 10 percent discount on those dues. There is no early discount for LCBA dues. In order to ensure accurate records, please review the information sheet included with your invoice, make any corrections and return it to the LCBA office, even if there are no corrections needed. **Some of this information will also be used for our web site’s “Find a lawyer” section. It is very important that this information is accurate so that potential clients can find your name on the web site under the correct practice area.**

According to Resolutions passed by the Lebanon County Bar Association (LCBA), all persons over 70 years of age are exempt from dues. This will also apply to Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA) dues only if you have had 35 years of consecutive membership with the PBA and are 75 years of age or older.

If you have questions please contact Susan in the Bar Office.

Have you checked your profile on the LCBA web site?

Make sure you are registered on the LCBA web site for online referrals. People looking for attorneys often check the web site under the “Find a lawyer” section. This takes them to a general list of topics, such as family law or real estate. Clicking on these topics narrows down the list further, providing a specific list of attorneys who handle their type of case.

As a member, you are automatically listed. However, you should review the categories under which you are listed. Profiles are created using the form returned with membership dues in January. If you didn’t return the form, or didn’t select categories, your listing may not be complete.

Simply go to www.lebanon-countybar.org and click on the “Find a Lawyer” button. To make changes or if you have any questions, please contact the [LCBA office](#).

Join a Committee!

The LCBA has a variety of committees, each of which focuses on a specific area of bar activities. Some require more of a time commitment than others, but all have their rewards. If you are interested in serving on a committee, contact the LCBA office at lebcobar@verizon.net or 717- 273-3113.

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| Annual Meeting/Dinner | Legal Education |
| Athletic Events | Legal Journal |
| Audit | Legal Services to the public |
| Bench/Bar Event | Legislative |
| Budget | Medical/Legal (Liaison) |
| By-Laws | Nomination |
| Civil Rules of Court | Outstanding Senior Award |
| Criminal Rules of Court | PA Bar Assn. Delegate |
| Dinner Dance | Personnel Committee |
| Elder Law | Public Relations |
| Family & Domestic Law | Real Estate |
| Fee Disputes | Social and/or Special Events |
| Golf | Strategic Planning |
| Historic | Unauthorized Practice of Law |
| Law Day | Women Lawyers |
| Law Exploring Post | Young Lawyers |
| Law Library | |

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Upcoming PBI Web Cast CLEs

**Boundary Law in PA: Thursday, March 3**

Noon to 4:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9181; Credits: 4 sub.

They're here: The arrival of unmanned aircraft systems (drones): Monday, March 7

Noon to 3:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9288; Credits: 3 sub.

Fundamentals of Estate Planning: Tuesday, March 8

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9188; Credits: 5 sub./1 ethics

Guardianship 101: Thursday, March 10

Noon to 4:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9251; Credits: 3 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

How to start and run a nonprofit: Friday, March 11

Noon to 4:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9180; Credits: 4 sub.

Handling the Workers' comp. case: Tuesday, March 15

8:25 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9245; Credits: 5 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

Fixing a broken trust: Thursday, March 17

Noon to 3:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9252; Credits: 3 sub.

Joint & Several Liability in 2016: Friday, March 18

1 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 8829; Credits: 3 sub.

The strategic negotiator: Monday, March 21

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9110; Credits: 6 sub.

Talking with pictures: Courtroom persuasion in the multimedia age (PEG): Thursday, March 24

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9002; Credits: 6 sub.

Internet defamation: Tuesday, March 29

8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; Course # 9030; Credits: 3 sub.

Insurance law for insurance lawyers: Legal issues beyond your office walls: Thursday, March 31

9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Course # 8936; Credits: 4 sub.

Long term care planning for seniors: Monday, April 4

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9183; Credits: 5 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

Social Security Disability: The basics: Wednesday, April 6

9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Course # 9185; Credits: 3 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

Embezzlement 101: Thursday, April 7

Noon to 4:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9151; Credits: 3 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

Performance on trial: Courtroom magic: Tuesday, April 12

9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Course # 9148; Credits: 3 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

The lawyer's guide to using Adobe Acrobat for a more efficient practice: Thursday, April 14

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9171; Credits: 6 sub.

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Upcoming PBI Web Cast CLEs

**Contract drafting landmines: Monday, April 18**

9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Course # 9258; Credits: 2 sub./1 ethics (integrated)

Family Law Institute 2016: Tuesday, April 19 and Wednesday, April 20

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (includes lunch) and 8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; Course # 9317; Credits: 9 sub.

17th annual legal issues in an age of aging: Thursday, April 21

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9283; Credits: 5 sub./1 ethics

Estate planning for the middle market client: Monday, April 25

9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Course # 9184; Credits: 4 sub.

The estate planner's income tax playbook: Thursday, April 28

9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Course # 9098; Credits: 3 sub.

Family caregiver agreements and use of real estate for elder law attorneys: Tuesday, May 3

9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Course # 9253; Credits: 3 sub.

Workers Comp. practice and procedure 2016: Wednesday, May 4

8:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.; Course # 8966; Credits: 4 sub.

Contract Drafting Landmines: Monday, May 9

9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Credits: 3 sub./1 ethics (web cast replay)

PA Tax Law Update: Monday, May 16

9 a.m. to Noon; Course # 9370; Credits: 3 sub.

Winning at Trial (Shane Reed): Tuesday, May 17

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9157; Credits: 5 sub./1 ethics

14th Annual Nonprofit Institute 2016: Thursday, May 19

9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9267; Credits: 5 sub./1 ethics

Family Law: A view from the Bench, Central PA 2016: Monday, May 23

9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Credits: 3 sub./1 ethics (web cast replay)

Medicare – What's behind the Curtain?: Thursday, June 2

Noon to 4:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9392; Credits: 4 sub.

Adv. Piercing the Corporate Veil: Monday, June 6

Noon to 3:15 p.m. (includes lunch); Course # 9384; Credits: 3 sub.

Please note: The Live Group Cast CLEs are held in the Lebanon County Bar Association Office. If no one is registered one week before the date, PBI will cancel our location. Register online for all PBI CLEs at: www.pbi.org or call 1-800-247-4724. Register at least 3 business days in advance and receive a discount! Lebanon County Bar Association members also may request a \$50 refund for a web cast attended in Lebanon.

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