



THIRD CIRCUIT

Middle District of Pennsylvania Chapter

CLE and Reception at the William J. Nealon Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse

On June 11, 2013, approximately 90 attorneys gathered to attend a CLE and reception hosted by the Middle District of Pennsylvania Chapter, in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Bar Association’s Federal Practice Committee. The CLE, “Civil and Criminal Pretrial Evidentiary Hearings: Beyond the Basics” included presentations by Hon. D. Michael Fisher of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals and Hon. A. Richard Caputo and Hon. Robert D. Mariani, both of the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Bridget Montgomery of Eckert Seamans moderated the panel. Following opening remarks by

Chapter President Karoline Mehalchick, the judges offered tips and updates on pretrial evidentiary issues, including expert reports, Daubert motions, and DNA evidence, while Montgomery offered insight from the perspective of the practitioner. Following the CLE, a reception was held in the atrium of the courthouse.

FIFTH CIRCUIT

Mississippi Chapter

U.S. Magistrate Judge Jane M. Virden Speaks at March Chapter Meeting

The Mississippi Chapter met at the Capital Club in Jackson for its March meeting with U.S.

Magistrate Judge Jane M. “Jenny” Virden as the speaker. Judge Virden sits in Greenville, Miss., in the Northern District, and shared with the members and guests her approach to her magistrate duties and offered some practice tips and pointers.

July Chapter Meeting Features Panel of Federal Judges

An overflow crowd of attorneys, judicial clerks, law students, and summer associates attended the July meeting of the Mississippi Chapter at the Capital Club. A panel of federal judges—District Judge Henry Wingate, District Judge Carlton Reeves, and Magistrate Judge Keith Ball—shared

Middle District of Pennsylvania Chapter: At the June reception—(l to r) Third Circuit Court of Appeals Judge D. Michael Fisher, Karoline Mehalchick, chapter president; Bridget Montgomery, moderator; and U.S. District Court Judges Robert D. Mariani and A. Richard Caputo.



Mississippi Chapter: At the March meeting in Jackson—(left photo, l to r) Dean Jim Rosenblatt, chapter executive director; Kate Margolis, vice president; Judge Virden; Ryan Beckett, president; Mike Hurst, secretary; At the July meeting—(right photo, l to r) U.S. Magistrate Judge Keith Ball; Assistant U.S. Attorney Mike Hurst; U.S. District Court Judge Carlton Reeves; U.S. District Court Judge Henry Wingate; Chapter President Ryan Beckett; Dean Jim Rosenblatt; and Chapter Treasurer Professor Meta Copeland.

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judicial philosophy, practice tips, court information, and procedural insights with the appreciative audience. The program was offered for CLE credit for the record group of attendees. The chapter secretary distributed application forms and encouraged the guests to become members of the FBA.

New Orleans Chapter

Chapter Awards Pro Bono Publico Award to Virginia Schlueter

At the chapter's annual meeting and awards luncheon, the New Orleans Chapter of the FBA awarded its Camille Gravel Pro Bono Publico Award to Past Chapter President Virginia Schlueter for her 35-year commitment to the federal criminal

defense of people who are financially unable to retain counsel.

Schlueter's unexpected retirement was mentioned by both Fifth Circuit Chief Judge Carl Stewart and Eastern District of Louisiana Chief Judge Sarah Vance, in their remarks on the examples of the practical effects of sequestration on federal public defenders' offices across the United States. W. West Allen, FBA Government Relations Committee chair, was also in attendance for the program, along with federal public defender Michael Nachmanoff. Both testified before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and the Courts in July. ©



New Orleans Chapter: At the chapter's awards luncheon—(top photo, l to r) FBA President-Elect Matthew B. Moreland presents the Camille Gravel Pro Bono Publico Award to Past Chapter President Virginia Schlueter, federal public defender; (bottom photo, l to r) Virginia Schlueter with Fifth Circuit Chief Judge Carl Stewart and Eastern District of Louisiana Chief Judge Sarah Vance.

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