

FIFTH CIRCUIT

New Orleans

The annual Federal Judges' Reception, hosted by the New Orleans Chapter, proved to be another testament to the thriving spirit of the chapter and the city of New Orleans. Held on Oct. 19, the reception took place at the newly remodeled Louisiana Supreme Court building, located in the heart of the French Quarter. The building, which once served as the home of the federal court and now houses the state appellate courts, provides a symbolic reminder of New Orleans' past, present, and future.

Honored guests included judges from the federal bankruptcy, district, and appellate courts throughout Louisiana as well as justices from the Louisiana Supreme Court and their spouses. FBA President William N. LaForge and Executive Director Jack D. Lockridge were also in attendance. Guests dined on Cajun and Creole food and enjoyed zydeco music performed by the Creole Zydeco Farmers.

SIXTH CIRCUIT

Eastern District of Michigan

The Eastern District of Michigan Chapter's Edward H. Rakow Scholarship Awards Luncheon and the annual meeting for the Historical Society of the U.S.



Eastern District of Michigan Chapter: At the chapter's Edward H. Rakow Scholarship Awards Luncheon held in conjunction with the annual meeting for the Historical Society of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan—(l to r) Historical Society President Michael Lavoie, Professor David Chardavoyne, and Chapter President Grant Gilezan.

District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan were held jointly on Nov. 16, at the Gem Theatre in Detroit. The program began with the presentation of the Rakow Scholarship Awards by Grant Gilezan, the chapter's president, and Dennis Clark, Federal Bar Foundation secretary. The Rakow Awards are given annually to Michigan law school students who demonstrate outstanding scholarly achievement in securities, corporation, or business law. The scholarships are endowed by the

Federal Bar Foundation of Detroit in memory and honor of Edward H. Rakow, one of the chapter's founders. The 2006 award recipients are John Drake, Ave Maria School of Law; Andrew Lane, Thomas M. Cooley Law School; Emily J. Scholler, Michigan State University College of Law; Curtis A. Robertson, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law; Tengfei Harry

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New Orleans Chapter: At the Federal Judges' Reception—(left photo, l to r) Hon. Carl Joseph Barbier, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana and chapter board member; Peggy Barbier; Hon. Lance M. Africk, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana and chapter board member; and Lisa Africk; (right photo, l to r) Dana Shelton; Kathryn Knight; Barry W. Ashe, chapter membership chair; William N. LaForge, FBA president; Jack D. Lockridge, FBA executive director; Matthew B. Moreland, chapter president and FBA Board of Directors member; and Eric R. Nowak, chapter board member.

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Wu, University of Michigan Law School; and Mark Erman, Wayne State University Law School.

Professor David G. Chardavoyne gave a presentation entitled “The Prosecution of Willis T. Gridley: A Tale of a Con Man and a 200-Year-Old Con” discussing the background and history of the historic 1929 trial of Willis Timothy Gridley and Gladys Wright for mail fraud before U.S. District Judge Arthur J. Tuttle. The conviction of Gridley and Wright effectively ended a 200-year-old “con” controversy over the ownership of a significantly large piece of Manhattan held by the Trinity Church Corporation. At the conclusion of Professor Chardavoyne’s lecture, he presented Chief Judge Bernard A. Friedman of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan with a copy of Gridley’s book, *Trinity! Break Ye My Commandments?* which will be displayed in the court’s museum on the first floor of the building that houses the Courthouse Historical Society.

NINTH CIRCUIT

Alaska

The Alaska Chapter’s quarterly luncheon, held on Dec. 6, featured Leonard Feldman, a partner with Heller Ehrman’s Seattle office, who discussed the Ninth Circuit’s pro bono appellate

program. Chief Judge John W. Sedwick of the U.S. District Court for the District of Alaska attended the luncheon and was joined by District Judges Timothy M. Burgess, Ralph R. Beistline, James A. Von der Heydt, H. Russell Holland, and James K. Singleton.

D.C. CIRCUIT

Pentagon

Members and friends of the military and veterans’ bar gathered for the chapter’s Annual Department of Defense Legal Leadership Reception held at the Pentagon on Dec. 7. The reception, which was co-sponsored by the FBA Federal Career Service Division and the Judge Advocates Association, honored legal leaders for their dedicated service, support, and leadership in 2006.

More than 120 guests were in attendance, including William Haynes II, general counsel for the Department of Defense; Daniel Dell’Orto, principal deputy general counsel for DOD; Chief Judge Andrew Efron and Judges Chip Erdmann and Scott Stuckey of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; Judges Alan Lance Sr., Bruce Kasold, and William Moorman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims; Judge Royce Lamberth of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia; Maj. Gen. Scott Black,

judge advocate general of the Army; Rear Adm. Bruce MacDonald, judge advocate general of the Navy; Maj. Gen. Jack Rives, judge advocate general of the Air Force; Brig. Gen. James Walker, staff judge advocate to the commandant of the Marine Corps; Calvin Lederer, deputy judge advocate general of the Coast Guard; Brig. Gen. Ed Rodriguez, USAFR (Ret.), president of the Judge Advocates Association; Brig. Gen. Malinda Dunn, chief judge of the Army Court of Criminal Appeals; and Brig. Gen. David Carey, USA (Ret.), executive director of the American Inns of Court Foundation.

The following new chapter officers were installed at the reception: Cmdr. Kathleen Duignan, USCGR, president; Cmdr. Jeffrey Good, USCG, first vice president; Capt. Gregory Marchand, USAR, vice president; Capt. Teresa Raymond, USA, treasurer; Lt. Brian Robinson, USCG, secretary; and Maj. Scott Flesch, USAR, national chapter delegate. **TFL**

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Pentagon Chapter: At the Annual Department of Defense Legal Leadership Receptio —(left photo, l to r) Col. Christopher Maher, appellate judge, U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals; William N. LaForge, FBA president; Judge Royce C. Lamberth, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia; Brig. Gen. Dave Carey, USA (Ret.), executive director of the American Inns of Court Foundation; and Maj. Gen. Daniel Wright, deputy judge advocate general of the Army; (right photo, l to r) Roslyn Berry; Judge Scott Stuckey, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; Capt. Kevin Berry, USCG (Ret.), past chapter president; and Judge Charles Erdmann, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.