



SECOND CIRCUIT

Southern District of New York Chapter Co-hosts

“In Your Neighborhood: The Insidiousness of Sex Trafficking”

On April 28, the Southern District of New York Chapter, with co-sponsor Smith, Gambrell, & Russell LLP and additional support from Peter J. Gleason PC, presented “In Your Neighborhood: The Insidiousness of Sex-Trafficking” at the Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse in New York. Attendees were able to hear from Judge Toko Serita, New York City Criminal Court and Human Trafficking Intervention Court, Queens County; Lori Cohen, director, Anti-Trafficking Initiative, Sanctuary for Families; a sex-trafficking survivor and anti-trafficking advocate; William C. Silverman, shareholder, Greenberg Traurig LLP; and moderator Lauren Hersh, director, Anti-Trafficking Policy & Advocacy, Sanctuary for Families.

In particular, panelists provided a summary of the statistics of human trafficking in New York, focused on the role the courts have played in combating trafficking and recent legislation to respond to trafficking, shared inspiring stories of survival, and explained various advocacy efforts in which all of us could participate. The SDNY Chapter hopes to continue the dialogue on this important issue later this year.

SIXTH CIRCUIT

Dayton Chapter Presents Federal Court Admissions

Seminar and Swearing-in Ceremony

On May 19, the Dayton Chapter hosted a new lawyer admissions CLE and swearing-in ceremony at the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. A panel of federal judges from the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio at Dayton shared their insights on practices and procedures relevant to cases litigated in the district to more than 30 lawyers at the Federal Practice Seminar.



Speaking to the new admittees are (left to right): Phil Butler from the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio clerk’s office; Jeff Cox, Dayton Chapter president; national treasurer and Dayton Chapter immediate past-president, U.S. Magistrate Judge Michael Newman; and Dayton Chapter board member, U.S. District Judge Walter Rice

Northern District of Ohio Chapter

Presents Constitutional Law Awards

Since 1993, the FBA Northern District of Ohio Chapter has recognized and awarded the students achieving the highest grade in Constitutional Law at each of the four law schools within the Northern District of Ohio (Akron University School of Law, Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, and University of Toledo College of Law).

On May 16, representatives of the FBA-NDOC attended a pre-graduation awards ceremony at Case Western Reserve University School of Law to present the Constitutional Law awards to graduating students Joseph Czerwien and Kathryn Geisinger.



Joseph Czerwien (second from left) and Kathryn Geisinger (middle), winners of the Constitutional Law awards. Also pictured, Jonathan Entin, CWRU Professor of Law and FBA-NDOC Board member, James Satola, FBA Circuit Vice President for the Sixth Circuit and Past FBA-NDOC Chapter President, and Dennis Terez, current FBA-NDOC Chapter President.

EIGHTH CIRCUIT

North Dakota Chapter Presents Inaugural Roundtable Luncheon

On May 21, the North Dakota Chapter held its inaugural chapter event, a roundtable luncheon with Judge Daniel L. Hovland and Magistrate Judge Charles S. Miller Jr. from the U.S. District Court for the District of North Dakota attending as guests.



Judge Daniel L. Hovland and Magistrate Judge Charles S. Miller Jr. are seated at the end of the table at the roundtable luncheon.

Minnesota Chapter Hosts

33rd Annual Law Student Award Ceremony

On April 13, the Minnesota Chapter held its 33rd Annual Law Student award ceremony. Since 1982, the Minnesota Chapter of the FBA has awarded scholarships to graduating law students who have been nominated by their school's faculty for excellence in the study of federal law and practice. The awards are named for distinguished federal judges and past presidents of the Minnesota FBA; one student from each Minnesota law school is honored. This year, federal judges John R. Tunheim, Ann D. Montgomery, Donovan W. Frank, and Jeffrey J. Keyes from the District of Minnesota presented the awards at a ceremony hosted by the University of Minnesota Law School for the students and their families and friends. The ceremony was attended by University of Minnesota Dean David Wippman, William Mitchell College of Law Dean Eric Janus, University of St. Thomas School of Law Dean Robert Vischer, and Hamline University School of Law Dean Marie Failing, as well as faculty and advisers from all four schools. In recent years all of the Minnesota law schools have started active law student divisions, and law student members have gone on to contribute significantly to the activities of the Minnesota Chapter of the FBA.



Minnesota event (l to r): Judge Ann D. Montgomery; Julia Zwak (University of Minnesota Law, '15), recipient of the Judge Edward J. Devitt Award; Magistrate Judge Jeffrey J. Keyes; Peter Kieselbach (William Mitchell College of Law, '15), recipient of the Harry A. Sieben Award; Caroline Dashiell Pratt (University of St. Thomas Law, '15), recipient of the Judge Earl R. Larson Award; Judge John R. Tunheim; Hilary Minor (Hamline University Law, '15), recipient of the Judge Jacob Dim Award; and Judge Donovan W. Frank.

Photo by Tim Rummelhoff, courtesy of University of Minnesota Law School

NINTH CIRCUIT

Sacramento Chapter Co-presents

"Honing Your Trial Skills" Training

On Feb. 26, the Sacramento Chapter joined with Pacific McGeorge and University of California–Davis law schools to offer a daylong trial-skills training. The training occurred through the lens of a civil rights case and involved four simulations followed by judge-led discussions. Trial skills addressed included motions in limine, discovery issues, dispositive motions, direct and cross examinations, and opening and closing statements. About 100 attorneys attended, and several attorneys indicated that it was the most useful CLE program they had ever attended.

Sacramento Chapter Co-hosts Annual Law Day Dinner

On May 7, the Sacramento Chapter co-hosted the annual Law Day Dinner. The evening celebrated the culmination of Operation Protect and Defend, which aims to connect students to the U.S. Constitution and American history. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy spoke to attendees about the importance of understanding the Constitution, and Professor Laurie Levenson shared her experiences in fighting to prove the innocence of wrongfully convicted individuals.



U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy

TENTH CIRCUIT

Colorado Chapter Presents "Looted Materials:

The Ethical Implications of World War II Stolen Art"

On May 7, the Colorado Chapter presented "Looted Materials: The Ethical Implications of World War II Stolen Art." Featuring FBA Board Member Raymond J. Dowd, a partner at Dunnington, Bartholow & Miller LLP in New York City, and introduced by former the FBA Tenth Circuit vice president, Hon. Robert E. Bacharach of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, the CLE program examined the historical and legal underpinnings that render the looting of art a criminal act and the efforts underway to return looted items to their rightful owners. Held in the grand U.S. Colorado Supreme Court before an audience of FBA members, attorneys, museum professionals, and academics, the event drew a unique cross-section of the Colorado community and generated a wide array of questions during the CLE and the reception that followed.

New Mexico Chapter Hosts Luncheon and CLE featuring

Dean Erwin Chemerinsky in Historic Santa Fe, New Mexico

On April 30, the New Mexico Chapter of the Federal Bar Association hosted a luncheon and CLE event featuring the inimitable Dean Erwin Chemerinsky at the La Fonda Hotel on the historic Santa Fe Plaza. Erwin Chemerinsky, the dean and Distinguished Professor of Law, Raymond Pryke Professor of First Amendment Law at the University of California–Irvine School of Law, spoke of an "amazing time in the U.S. Supreme Court." What was most amazing is Dean Chemerinsky's virtuoso recitation and analysis of facts, names, precedents, majorities, pluralities, and dissents as he led the assembled



Sections and Divisions

TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION SECURITY LAW

On May 14, the Transportation and Transportation Security Law Section held its seminar: "Responding to Ebola and Other Public Health Threats." The program was held at the Transportation Security Administration office in Arlington, Virginia. Moderators and panelists included: Francine Kerner, chief counsel, Transportation Security Administration; Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield, assistant secretary of health affairs and chief medical officer, Department of Homeland Security; Krystal Jordan, assistant general counsel of health affairs, Department of Homeland Security; Eric Letvin, director for hazard mitigation and risk reduction policy, National Security Council Staff, the White House; Robin Kurz, assistant attorney general, Virginia Office of the Attorney General; Jim Misrahi, senior attorney, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Steve Venckus, deputy chief, Office of Maritime & International Law, U.S. Coast Guard; David Fidler, professor, Indiana University Maurer School of Law; Michael Isacco, deputy associate general counsel, Department of Homeland Security; Mary Mason, attorney-adviser, International Affairs & Legal Policy Branch, Federal Aviation Administration; Jill Esposito, director of public and diplomatic liaison, visa office, U.S. Department of State (invited); Kristin Dubelier, deputy associate chief counsel for enforcement, Customs and Border Protection; Kelly Wheaton, deputy chief counsel for enforcement, Transportation Security Administration.



At the May event (front, left to right): Brian Klebba, Stephanie Montano, Arun Rao, U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Stacey Rose Harris, Kerry Walsh Hartington, and Alycia Broz; (back, left to right): Robert Derek Trunkey, William Stephen Norton, Ryan Hemminger, Margaret Kessler, FBA President Matthew Moreland, Mitchell Tobias, Corinne McCann, Lainie Cohen, Jeffrey Siskind, and Edmond Moreland Jr.

YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION

On May 26, the Young Lawyers Division presented its annual Supreme Court Admission Ceremony in Washington, D.C., at the U.S. Supreme Court. The event featured seven attorneys who joined the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court. The FBA Young Lawyers Division will hold its next ceremony in May 2016. ☺

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lawyers and judges through the Supreme Court's notable decisions in the past year. Equally entertaining were the dean's predictions of the Court's likely decisions in pending cases on the Fourth Amendment, freedom of speech, and same-sex marriage.

This is Dean Chemerinsky's second visit to the New Mexico Chapter. Dean Chemerinsky was introduced by Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Paul J. Kelly. The dean's unique style and perspective in analyzing the decisions of the Supreme Court make Dean Chemerinsky a favorite among state and federal practitioners. Among the 75 attendees at the presentation were members of the federal judiciary, including Judge Paul J. Kelly and U.S. District Judge James O. Browning. Additionally, several members of New Mexico's state judiciary were in attendance, including New Mexico Supreme Court justices Charles W. Daniels and Richard C. Bosson, along with court of appeals Judge Miles Hanisee and former Judge Celia Foy Castillo.

This was the New Mexico Chapter's first event in Santa Fe. The New Mexico Chapter covers a large geographic area, and the chapter plans to hold future events throughout the state. ☺



Dean Erwin Chemerinsky (left) and Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Paul J. Kelly (right)