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**November 14, 2017**  
**Mercer County Community College**

### From the President's Desk...

Summer is here, which means that nearly half of my year as the Mercer County Bar Association President is over. Although my wife has let me know that she is ready for this year to be over, I have truly enjoyed the chance to work with members of the bar that I don't see in my everyday practice, to attend events locally and around the state, and to reflect on some of the more meaningful aspects of our profession.

The highlight of the recent months has certainly been the Mercer County Bar Association's group admission to the bar of the United States Supreme Court. I, along with 27 other attorneys from Mercer County, were honored to be admitted to the Supreme Court on motion made by our Immediate Past President, Colleen Crocker, which was accepted by Chief Justice John Roberts. The day was nothing short of inspirational and served as a terrific reminder of the most meaningful aspects of being a lawyer – professionalism, collegiality, and the chance to experience legal scholarship in the form of four opinions that were issued from the bench that day. A heartfelt thanks to Colleen who conceived of the idea during her presidency and worked tirelessly to organize the event. Every detail of the day was perfect and Colleen even managed –



*Robert E. Lytle*

through her considerable charm and grace - to convince Mercer County's own Justice Samuel Alito to visit with us after the ceremony. The day was, quite simply, an unforgettable experience.

This year's Mercer County Bar Foundation Wine and Dine was only slightly less impressive than the Supreme Court admission. A crowd of over 100 members, spouses, colleagues and friends enjoyed a wonderful evening at the Stone Terrace, with wine, beer, appetizers, and many fabulous auction items. I am happy to report that over \$11,000 was raised for the Bar Foundation! All of the proceeds will go to scholarships and the other worthy causes that the Foundation supports. Kudos to Tanya Phillips for spearheading the event and to Denise Mariani who has a bright future as an auctioneer if she ever decides to retire from the practice of law.

One of the causes supported by the Bar Foundation, which I have also made a focus of my term, is the critical work that is performed

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each day on behalf of the underprivileged by Central Jersey Legal Services ("CJLS"). Each year, CJLS assists over 4,000 County residents, which constitutes only a small fraction of the Mercer County residents who qualify each year for legal assistance. Yet, this vital and essential organization has been forced to prepare for a substantial cut in funding in the next fiscal year. The current proposed state budget includes a cut of \$900,000, with a strong possibility of even greater cuts to federal funding in the coming year. As a result of these budgetary restrictions, CJLS staff will likely be forced into a reduced work schedule in exchange for a reduced salary. Obviously, such a reduction in manpower will further decrease the number of needy Mercer County residents that CJLS can assist.

What can we do? In addition to whatever monetary support you can give, I urge all of our members to become involved with the MCBA's Volunteer Lawyers Project. As I have previously addressed in my Installation Dinner speech and in this column, this project has been underutilized and serves as an important resource for needy residents who require assistance and cannot otherwise be served by CJLS. Please consider whether your time and talents can be contributed to this worthy cause. Assistance is especially helpful in expungements, guardianships, bankruptcy, and family law. Please do not hesitate to contact the MCBA, or me directly, if you would like to participate in the Volunteer Lawyers Project or if you have any other thoughts regarding the budget crisis that is being faced by CJLS.

Keeping with the theme of public service, one of the most rewarding tasks of my term was choosing the recipients of the Professional Lawyer of the Year Award, which we presented on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. On a truly beautiful spring evening at Mercer Oaks, we honored Robin Echevarria and Stacey Guerds, as well as our newly appointed Superior Court Judges. It was a special night for the honorees and their families, as well as a wonderful chance to relax with colleagues, mingle with the new jurists. Robin and Stacey are the personifications of what it means to be a professional lawyer, not only because of the professionalism they exhibit inside the courtroom, but also because of their tireless efforts in serving the community at large as the longtime co-chairs of the Community Projects Committee. In that capacity, Robin and Stacey have reached out to the elderly, hungry, and at-risk children in our area, without seeking commendation or reward. Having the privilege to present them with their awards as a show of gratitude from MCBA for their efforts was one of the highlights of my Presidency.

I know that the summer is just beginning but planning for this fall has already kicked into high gear at the Bar office. As always, one of our highlights will be the annual

Xtreme CLE. This year, the program will take place on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Conference Center at Mercer County College. We will again offer 18 different programs in a wide variety of subject areas, with the opportunity to earn a year's worth of New Jersey CLE credits in one fun-filled day. We anticipate great participation from sponsors, fabulous meals, and the same level of legal discourse that has made this event a premier feature of the MCBA schedule. If you are interested in more information regarding the event, or if you have an idea for a seminar, please reach out to the MCBA office, or one of our CLE co-chairs, John Eory, Brian Duff and Margaret Chipowsky.

Please be on the lookout for our upcoming events, which will include the annual Judges and Law Clerks Dinner, November General Membership Meeting and Holiday Party. As always, we encourage your attendance at all our events and invite you to bring your friends and colleagues. We are always interested in attracting new members and getting a chance to show off all the benefits of an MCBA membership – education, community service, and socializing with the best lawyers around.



## *Mercer County Bar Association* **CREATING A DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**

The MCBA is dedicated to ensuring equality in the legal profession and justice system. To promote that goal, the MCBA is creating a Diversity Committee which will collaborate with all of our committees to ensure the full and equal access to and participation by individuals in the MCBA, the legal profession and in the justice system regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, national origin, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability.

We are seeking applicants who would like to serve as Chairperson(s) and Members of the newly formed Diversity Committee. Interested candidates should send a letter of interest and current resume to MCBA Executive Director, Joan Parzel, at [jparzel@mercerbar.com](mailto:jparzel@mercerbar.com).



## *Supreme Court of the United States*

### **Mercer County Bar Association Group Admission Ceremony May 30, 2017**

*Congratulations to the members of the  
Mercer County Bar Association that were admitted to the  
Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States:*

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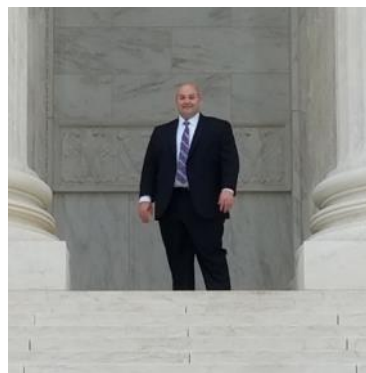
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*Special thanks to our Movant, Immediate Past President Colleen Crocker who  
arranged the ceremony for the group!*









## Helpful Trial Tips

### How to Effectively Use Computers and IPADs At Trial

by: *Francisco J. Rodriguez, Esq.*

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This paper serves as a primer for everything technological that you will need in order to be able to use an iPad or computer at trial for displaying demonstrative evidence. This paper will be followed by a trial brief for the court that you can use on the use of demonstrative evidence and technology, which assembles the limited case law that exists on the use of such items.

In addition, if your adversary does not agree to the use of a particular exhibit, you should seek out a certification from one or more of your experts attesting to the accuracy of the anatomy presented in the exhibit or to the accuracy of whatever it is that the exhibit is purported to show. Of course, the preferred method of making sure that there is no issue with presenting particular demonstrative evidence at the trial is to have those items ready when you depose the defendants concerning discovery and have them admit that the particular item of demonstrative evidence is accurate. A certification from your expert as to a particular item of demonstrative evidence should only be used in a pinch when you have come up with a new demonstrative evidence item after discovery is over and before trial. Finally, it is always worth presenting the court with a trial brief that interweaves the demonstrative evidence of the brief. This allows the court to gain a full understanding of your case and how these demonstrative items help you present it.

#### **Trial by iPad: The Hardware You Will Need**



**The *first* item you will need is an iPad. As of the time of the writing of this paper, I recommend the iPad Pro with the 256 gigabytes of memory.**

The reason for the iPad Pro is that the screen is larger and resolution is better than the smaller iPads. For most trial presentation items, this is not that important. However, it is quite common that you may want to display two pages of medical records side by side in a medical malpractice case. With the smaller iPads, it is difficult if not impossible to read the text on your screen when the documents are displayed side by side. This makes it difficult in making certain that you are displaying the right documents to the jury before actually displaying them on the projector screen or flat panel. Having a keyboard case for the iPad Pro is helpful but not an absolute necessity for trial. I would certainly recommend it. The reason for having the maximum amount of memory is the potential that you may have videotaped testimony to store and present for your trial. Video takes up a lot of memory. So it is best to get the most memory available, which is presently 25 gigabytes.

***Second*, you need to have an adaptor cable and dongle to connect your iPad to the projector or television flat panel you are going to use.**

There are two types of dongles, an HDMI dongle and a VGA dongle.

The one you will want will depend on the device to which it is being connected. If you are buying devices from scratch, you should definitely purchase HDMI-compatible devices because the resolution is better. Besides the dongle, you will need lengthy cable between the dongle and your output display device, whether that is a projector or flat panel. If you are going to use an Apple TV box (described below), you can get away with a much shorter cable. Otherwise, you should probably purchase one that is at least 10 feet long, even longer if you are using a flat panel. Even if you plan on using your iPad wirelessly, you should have these cables at the ready just in case.

you have a problem with the wireless connection.



***Thirdly, you need to purchase an Apple TV adapter.***

The Apple TV box will allow you to display wirelessly. The one-time setup is easy. You will still need a connection between the Apple TV and your flat panel or projector, but having the Apple TV available means that you can position your iPad wherever you want in the courtroom because there will be no connection between the iPad and the Apple TV. You will be connected wirelessly. If you have an old Apple TV, it is worth purchasing a new one because the old Apple TV also required you to have a wireless Ethernet hub in order to establish the wireless connection between your iPad and the Apple TV. For at least the last 2 years, the new Apple TVs do not require the wireless network Ethernet hub. You can connect directly from your iPad to the Apple TV. Then, you will need a cable that connects your Apple TV to your projector or the flat panel, and that will be either an HDMI cable or a VGA cable depending on your output device. Again, if you can get a hold of an HDMI output device, you will be better off.



***Fourth, you will need an output device. This is either a projector and projector screen or a flat panel TV.***

If you are going to use a flat panel TV, you should purchase one that has HDMI connectors and that has the capability of flipping the image so that the flat panel can be turned on its side. Many of the documents and exhibits that we display are set up in portrait mode where the original image was 11 inches tall by 8 ½ inches wide. Even on a gigantic flat panel TV, these documents still appear relatively small if displayed with the TV sitting in its normal landscape fashion. You will also need a cart that will permit you to wheel the flat panel into position as well as wheel it into the courthouse and courtroom. This is one of the disadvantages of using a flat panel instead of a projector and projector screen. You will almost definitely need someone to assist you in getting the equipment into the courthouse and with positioning everything. Whereas you can get away without assistance if you use a projector and projector screen.

If you are going to use a projector and projector screen, which is my preference, you should spend on the highest lumens projector you can afford. As of the time of the writing of this paper, you can buy a very nice LED projector for around \$1,200.00. The higher lumens is important because this determines the brightness of the light being emitted from the projector. You want to have the brightest image possible, particularly considering that you will not necessarily be able to control how bright the courtroom is. You want to purchase an LED projector versus a DLP projector or other types of projects because the LED image is better and the bulb is often rated to last 20,000 to 40,000 hours. So it is unlikely to break down or need replacement throughout its lifetime. They also run cooler, and the most expensive ones do not even use a fan to cool them. So you will not have to worry about fan whirring that will distract jurors or annoy the court. Casio makes very lightweight, high-end LED projectors.

For a projector screen, you want to have a screen that measures at least 72 inches by 72 inches. There are a lot of screens sold today that are much wider than they are taller. This is not as useful for courtroom purposes because most of the items displayed will be upright or portrait rather than landscape. If the screen is smaller than 72 inches, it is a lot lighter to carry around, but it will not allow you to be able to display an image that is larger than life. The great thing about having a 71-inch square projector screen is that on things like medical records, everything will be easy to read for the court and jury. If you are playing video, it is larger than life. It makes for a great advantage over the flat panel.

You can have a screen larger than 72 inches. I do have a 96 inch screen but have never actually used it. The

problem with a 96 inch screen is that transporting it is difficult. It is essentially so big that it is difficult to fit in a regular car and it is difficult to lug in and out of places including elevators. So keep that in mind. Many of the county courthouses now have projector screens that you can use so that you do not have to bring your own. So you should inquire as to what they have. Take note, however, that many of the projector screens in the court courthouse are not so useful. Either they are the widescreen type that does not serve our purposes well, or they are built into the courtroom, and drop from the ceiling or elsewhere, and are positioned in a suboptimal location. Also, on any given day, somebody else may need to use it. So you should have your own screen at the ready. The purchase of a 72x72 inch projector screen that is portable should cost about \$120.00 at the time of the publication of this paper. Again, the great advantage of using the projector with projector screen over the flat panel is both the ease of portability and positioning along with the ability to display larger than life images, which will be bigger than what could be displayed on the biggest flat panel that you could lug into court.

You will also want to have some sort of stand on which you can rest your projector, iPad or computer. I recommend the heavy duty stands from a company called inStand.com.

The heavy duty tripod stand with additional tray attachments runs under \$400.00 and is worth every penny. The tripod stand is portable, lightweight and very stable so that it is not likely to knock over a projector or your iPad if someone accidentally bumps in to it. The additional tray attachments permit you to be able to have placed in one tripod both your projector, iPad and laptop computer if need be.

The foregoing sums up the hardware you would need for using the iPad at trial. The only additional items would be if you were going to get more fancy and seek to display on multiple flat panels or projector screens, you would of course need to double the number of projector screens, projectors, cables and/or flat panels and you would need a signal splitter that would permit you to transmit the images to more than one output device.

### **Using a Laptop Computer for Trial**

Essentially, all the equipment referenced in the section for using the iPad at trial is necessary or useful in the context of using a laptop at trial with the exception of, of course, the iPad. It is particularly valuable to make sure the laptop you will use for trial has the capability of connecting wirelessly with the Apple TV so that laptop can be used wirelessly. The standard trial presentation software for use with a laptop, Trial Director, being the gold standard, is much more complicated to use and will require someone to assist you even if you are very computer savvy, you can often use the iPad for trial presentation purposes without anyone assisting you. In addition, you should make sure you have a laptop with an extended battery life or purchase an extended battery for your laptop. In the case of an iPad, since the iPad 2 came out, the battery life is so improved that it will be rare for you to run out of battery life during the course of a trial even if you never plug it in at all from the time court starts until the end of the day.

### **Apps for Trial with the iPad**

For a presentation of the most demonstrative evidence in court using an iPad, you will have to have either TrialPad or TrialDirector.

TrialPad and TrialDirector permit you to easily organize and display your documents and demonstrative evidence and label exhibits and print them when necessary. Yours truly has only used TrialPad at trial. It has certainly been absolutely stable, never having crashed or presented any sort of glitch. The anecdotal information I received regarding users of TrialDirector is that it has had some glitches, which have caused it occasionally to crash at trial. It is unknown to the undersigned at the present time whether these glitches have been fixed.

Regardless of which app you use, you want to make sure that the documents/exhibits are organized in some fashion that is totally familiar to you. If you have everything organized where you can find it, no different than if you have a bunch of documents in court sitting in archive boxes, it will make the use of the iPad for trial presentation look so easy and seamless that everyone will be impressed, particularly the jury and the court. It is also important to have everything that you may contemplate presenting in court already loaded onto the application before trial and premarked, which you can do from within the application, and it is useful to actually have a premarked set of exhibits and exhibit list to provide to the court clerk. TrialPad certainly makes this process relatively easy.



DepoView is a great app for displaying videotaped deposition testimony in court. The video transcript can be sent to the text so that recall of specific excerpts of the video transcript can easily be pulled up in court, and you can create clips in advance to have them ready to be called up.

Keynote is Apple iPad version of PowerPoint and comes standard with the iPad and serves as a useful tool for opening and summation. As always, remember that you are required to provide your adversary with a printout of such items in advance of opening statement or summation. Failing to do so is irreversible error.

Timeline 3D is a timeline tool that allows you to present three-dimensional timelines, which are very useful in opening and summation for presenting a chronology of events to the jury. Timeline 3D easily allows you to add graphics to each point on the timeline so that the jury is not just looking at a bunch of text. It very much makes it easier for a jury to absorb a lengthy story of what happened in a particular case.

#### Applications for use on Laptop

TrialDirector is the standard application for use in a laptop. It is very stable, but it is not easy to use and will certainly require someone else to operate the laptop while you do opening or cross-examination or direct of a witness.

## Meeting with Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno

**On April 19, 2017, Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno met with 15 prominent female attorneys throughout New Jersey to discuss issues facing the state and the legal profession. The group included three Past Presidents of the MCBA - Denise Mariani, Dorothy Bolinsky and Michelle Gasparian.**



**Jody Carbone, Jeralyn Lawrence, Stacey Adams, Susan Feeney, Dorothy Bolinsky, Denise Mariani, Christine Bator, Nicole Bearce, Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno, Michelle Gasparian, Ayesha Hamilton, Kimberly Yonta, Andrea Sullivan, Debra Rosen and Lynn Newsome**



## *Estate, Probate & Chancery Networking Reception Wednesday, May 24, 2017*



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## Property Searching and Recording News and Updates

*by: Paula Sollami Covello, Esq., Mercer County Clerk*

***The Mercer County Clerk's Office hosted a seminar in May to demonstrate all of our new online searching tools for property searchers and the public.***

County Clerk Paula Sollami Covello and speakers from the property industry were on hand at Mercer County Community College to show over 65 attendees how to search Mercer County's property records electronically through Mercer County's newest innovation, a Property Information Portal, as well as through two other systems in place – the County Clerk's land records system and our E-recording system.

*Mercer County Clerk Paula Sollami Covello is joined by her panel of speakers at the seminar. They include experts on property searching and recording. She is also pictured with Deputy County Clerk Walker Worthy, Jr. and Matthew Lawson from the Mercer County Planning Department.*



The unveiling featured an overview of the web systems available for the public for real estate searching and recording. Clerk Sollami Covello also had a presentation from a special speaker, David DePaola, President Elect of the Mercer County Association of Realtors, to forecast the future of the local real estate market in the up-

coming year for the County. The Clerk's office also hosted a question and answer session for attendees, which included real estate agents, title searchers, tax assessors and others with an interest in property searching.

Other panelists besides the County Clerk, were David DePaola from Mercer County Association of Realtors, Dave Donaldson from New Vision Systems, Bill Lennon from County Business Systems, Jay Ruparel from Sunrise Systems, and Matthew Lawson from the Mercer County Planning Department. Participants in the unveiling had the chance to ask the panel questions related to the topics at hand and the new systems.



Given these changes, I encourage residents to take a look at our updated website and familiarize themselves with the new processes; the most important of which may be the new cover page format and requirement for any records filings submitted

Matthew Lawson from the Mercer County Planning Department demonstrated and signed up new users for our new, free Property Information Portal.

The Property Information Portal is unique to Mercer County and makes Mercer a leader in New Jersey with its unique search features. Matthew Lawson from the Mercer County Planning Department showed how this site is innovative because it allows a searcher to view property information with a GIS satellite view. It also



incorporates information from other Mercer County Offices including the County Planning Office, County Tax Assessor's Office and other offices on one website. It can be found at [PIP.Mercercounty.org](http://PIP.Mercercounty.org)

#### **Another important change for Property Recorders**

We also discussed a new legal requirement for a cover page for property recorders. This is something all Counties are now requiring and involves a new fee. A sample cover sheet, or fillable form, and further details on this requirement can be found on the Mercer County Clerk's website at [www.mercercounty.org/County Clerk](http://www.mercercounty.org/CountyClerk).

The other search websites that Mercer County uses are used in other counties in New Jersey as well so if you use them in Mercer, you can use them elsewhere.

Participants in the unveiling had the chance to ask the panel, and staff members, questions related to the topics at hand and about the new systems.

To find links to all of our websites, please visit our website at [www.mercercounty.org/countyclerk](http://www.mercercounty.org/countyclerk).



***Congratulations to  
Princeton Day School,  
winner of this year's  
Mock Trial Competition***

Mike Rosenberg, (attorney coach), Amberjean Leist (winner of Best Witness), Kathy Flicker (attorney coach), Alex Neumann (winner of Best Attorney) and Chris Rhodes (teacher coach). All are from the Princeton Day School team that won the county championship.



**Mercer County Bar Foundation  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine & Dine  
Friday, May 12, 2017**

Thanks to everyone who attended and supported the May 12<sup>th</sup> Wine & Dine. I would like to extend a special thank you on behalf of the Foundation to all of our sponsors as well as the following individuals and businesses.

Silent Auction Co-Chairs  
Denise Mariani and Mark Renzi

Mercer County Bar Association Executive Director  
Joan Parzel

Mercer County Bar Association Staff  
Sandy DeLorenzo, Alberta Kennedy & Mary Murkli

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This event would not have been possible without your support.

Sincerely,

Tanya L. Phillips, Esq.  
Mercer County Bar Foundation President







## *The Mercer County Bar Association*

*May General Membership Meeting*

*Tuesday, May 2, 2017*

*Congratulations*

*2017 Professional Lawyers of the Year*

*Robin Echevarría, Esq.*

*Stacey M. Geurds, Esq.*









Women Lawyers Committee  
Wine Tasting & Ethics Seminar  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2017**  
*Rat's Restaurant At Grounds For Sculpture*



**Panelists:** Hon. Tonianne Bongiovanni, U.S.M.J., Hon. Kay Walcott-Henderson, J.S.C.,  
Hon. Linda Feinberg, A.J.S.C. (ret.) and Hon. Christine Gravelle, U.S.B.C.

**Moderator:** MCBA President, Robert E. Lytle, Esq.







## Op-Ed HR 634 Elimination of EAC

*by: Mercer County Clerk, Paula Sollami Covello, Esq.*

In light of recent electoral events and allegations on both a local and national scale regarding voter fraud and election tampering, it is essential that we maintain the integrity of our election and voting systems with whatever power and resources we have at our disposal. If the federal bill, HR 634, were to pass, then both the federal and state governments would become limited in their capability to protect and ensure the reliability of our election systems and equipment, leaving them vulnerable to tampering and outside influence and collusion. Senate Bill HR 634 proposes to dismantle the Election Assistance Commission that provides essential information to state and municipal election boards and officials, allowing those officials to identify any voting irregularities. Without this information, our elections are open to manipulation that may go unnoticed.

As a County Clerk in NJ, it is my job to provide the final count and to certify the vote tallies. The Election Assistance Commission (EAC) is a vital national Commission as it works to ensure the integrity of our voting system in New Jersey and throughout the United States. The Commission tests certified voting systems to ensure that each state's chosen voting technology will in fact work on election-day unhindered. The EAC administers reasonable and consistent voluntary voting system guidelines which are rigorous in their ability to ensure and protect our voting systems. This eliminates the ability of voting machine manufacturers to set the standards which could compromise the security of voting. In this age of the internet, and with current voting machines aging, we cannot afford to lose critical regulatory oversight of voting systems. No private organization has the capacity to replicate the important work done by the EAC.

The EAC's collection of data about absentee ballot voting, provisional voting, early voting, and more leads to evidence based policy-making that furthers the goal of efficient, accurate, secure, and professional elections. The legislation currently before congress would eliminate this data collection and reporting function.

Further, this proposed bill is coming at a time when the integrity of American elections must be guarded more closely than ever. The President of the U.S. himself has alleged "rigging" of national elections and voter fraud. The CIA, and every national news organization, has reported that there was foreign interference with the Presidential election in 2016. In fact, the Brennan Center for Justice wrote a letter to its EAC congressional delegation to say, "At a time when the vast majority of our country's voting machines are outdated and in need for replacement, and after an election in which international criminals already attempted to hack our state voter registration systems, eliminating the EAC would pose a risky and irresponsible threat to our election infrastructure."

Consequently, elimination of an important federal agency with the mission to improve election administration and security makes no sense at all. The important work of this agency is needed more now than ever.

Nonetheless, while thirty-eight pro-democracy groups have sent letters to the House Administration Committee, it voted 6-3 to send the elimination of the EAC to the floor for a full House vote. This measure defies logic and it is against the best interests of our democracy. Moreover, its passage would make election officials less confident in certifying and reporting results to the public, which we as the American people cannot have if the United States wants to continue to move forward as an independent democracy.

For all of the reasons expressed, I, along with the Constitutional Officers Association of New Jersey, urge our Senate to vote against HR 634.



# Calendar

<b>June 22, 2017</b>	<b>Municipal Bench Bar – 1.0 CLE Credit Seminar</b>
<b>June 22, 2017</b>	<b>Family– Meet &amp; Greet with Mental Health Professionals</b>
<b>June 26, 2017</b>	<b>Annual Golf Outing</b>
<b>July 13, 2017</b>	<b>Lawyers CARE</b>
<b>July 20, 2017</b>	<b>Family Bench Bar Meeting</b>
<b>August 10, 2017</b>	<b>Lawyers CARE</b>
<b>September 5, 2017</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony &amp; Memorial Service</b>
<b>September 5, 2017</b>	<b>Trustees Meeting</b>



**Deliver Lunch for Meals on Wheels  
of Mercer County**

*Wednesday, August 23th*

*Tuesday, November 14th*



**Serve at the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen**

*Thursday, June 22nd - DINNER*

*Thursday, September 21st - LUNCH*

*Tuesday, December 12th - LUNCH*

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## **SEEKING ANY ATTORNEY THAT PREPARED A WILL FOR**

### **LILLIAN J. DE LOTTO**

Anyone who can provide insight into the preparation and/or execution of our mother, **LILLIAN J. DE LOTTO'S**, Last Will and Testament, please contact Antoinette Applegate or Angelina Hardiman – c/o Law Office of Michael P. Balint, PC, (609) 750-9700 or [michaelpbalint@optimum.net](mailto:michaelpbalint@optimum.net). Thank you.

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June, 2017

TO: Members of the Mercer Bar and other readers of this Newsletter  
FROM: Howard S. Rednor, Attorney at Law

As many of the attorneys in this county know, I am the Vice Chair of the District VII Fee Arbitration Committee. One of my prime responsibilities to the Committee is to obtain the names of potential attorney and public members for participation in the Committee. Public members are non-attorney lay members. The Committee is appointed by the Supreme Court to Arbitrate certain legal fee disputes between attorneys and clients and in some instances refer matters involving unethical conduct to the Office of Attorney Ethics.

In August, 2017 my term and the term of three (3) other attorney panel members will expire along with that of one or more public members. The purpose of this notice is to solicit volunteer attorneys and / or recommendations for attorney members to fill attorney vacancies as well as lay member volunteers or recommendations for lay members.

If you are interested in serving on the Fee Arbitration Committee or know someone you could recommend for the attorney or lay vacancies please forward your name, address and/or the name, address and contact information or the contact information for your recommendations. I would further note that the Office of Attorney Ethics is particularly dedicated to improving and promoting diversity as to race, ethnicity, and gender of the Committee membership. Please send your submissions to me at:

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***Please make your submission by July 14, 2017.***

Thank you.

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