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Chairperson's Message



Greetings! The Government Lawyers Division Executive Board is excited about the events that we have planned during the National Bar Association's 88th Annual Convention in Miami, FL. This year's Convention will be held July 27- August 1, 2013 at the Fontainebleau Miami Beach Hotel. We hope you will join us because the planned programs are informative and are sure to provide a full Convention experience of networking and training for you and the other attendees.

I hope you attend our Division meeting on **Saturday, July 27, 2013 at 3:45 p.m.** During this time, the officers will provide news and updates, you will have an opportunity to renew your membership and we will hold our elections for the 2013-2014 term. I encourage you to attend the meeting and become more involved in Division activities. You may even want to consider running for an office!

The Division is presenting a CLE seminar at **10:45 a.m. on Monday, July 29, 2013.** The seminar is entitled "Ethical Implications of Transitioning In and Out of Government Service." This insightful seminar will offer guidance for attendees who may be contemplating their next move. Our dynamic group of panelists will provide helpful tips.

I urge you to join our Division or renew your membership in the Division. We welcome your input and ideas on how we can better serve you! Feel free to contact me with any questions that you may have. I look forward to seeing you in Miami.

Best,

Lani P. Shaw

Lani P. Shaw
Chairperson, NBA Government Lawyers Division

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Division CLE at Annual Convention

The Division's CLE, "Ethical Implications of Transitioning In and Out of Government Service," will be held on **Monday, July 29, 2013 from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.** The seminar will address the ethical implications of transferring in and out of government service. The panelists will discuss statutes, regulations and recent cases that govern the pre- and post- government employment considerations, such as seeking employment, recusal, disqualification, conflicts of interest and prohibition.

Kim Kendrick, Partner with Leftwich and Ludaway LLC and former an Assistant Secretary for HUD, will moderate the seminar. As Assistant Secretary, Ms. Kendrick was charged with enforcing the federal Fair Housing laws, developing and implementing a \$75 million budget, and supervising a nation-wide staff of approximately 600 employees.



Kendrick



Norma B. Hutcheson has been the Deputy Managing Counsel for the Capital Metro Law Office of the United States Postal Service Law Department since 1994. She serves as liaison and legal counsel to senior postal management and represents the Postal Service in unique cases of significant organizational impact. She manages, litigates, and or trains in the areas of labor and employment law, ethics, and revenue protection.

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NBA Calendar of Events

July 27 - August 1, 2013

NBA 88th Annual Convention
Fontainebleau Miami Hotel
Miami, Florida

Saturday, July 27, 2013

Government Lawyers Division Annual Meeting, 3:45 p.m.—4:45 p.m.

Monday, July 29, 2013

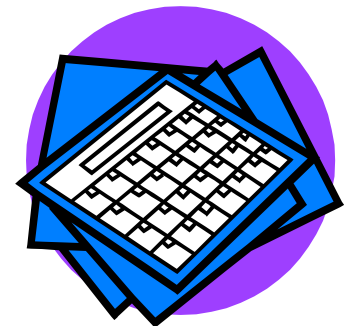
NBA Elections, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Government Lawyers Division CLE, "The Ethical Implications of Transitioning In and Out of Government Positions," 10:45 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

Friday, October 25, 2013

Wiley A. Branton Symposium
Washington, DC

For more information visit www.NationalBar.org



GLD Annual Meeting

During the NBA's 88th Annual Convention in Miami, FL, the Government Lawyers Division will hold its Annual Meeting on **Saturday, July 27 at 3:45 p.m.** and elect the following to the GLD Executive Board: Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and at least one Member-at-Large. Additionally, a summary of the year's activities will be presented and planning for the 2013-2014 bar year will begin. Interested in being a member of the GLD Executive Board? You need to be a member in good standing of the NBA and the GLD. Members of the GLD Executive Board are elected for two year terms. All NBA division chairpersons are members of the NBA Board of Governors (Board), and are expected to meet the requirements of both division chairpersons and Board Members.

Chairpersons are to ensure that their divisions, at a minimum, conduct activities, publish a newsletter or contribute to the NBA magazine, present a budget, and submit a written report for each Board Meeting. The Board meets at least four times each bar year and any Board Member who misses two consecutive Board Meetings without a reasonable excuse shall be deemed to have resigned. The first meeting for the 2013-2014 bar year is on **Thursday, August 1 at 9:00 a.m.**

We look forward to seeing you!

Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome. - *Booker T. Washington*

Division Senior Executive Service Seminar, a Success

The Government Lawyers Division hosted a seminar entitled, "Getting into Senior Executive Service: Do You Have What it Takes" on Thursday, November 29, 2012 at Howard University School of Law. Nearly fifty attorneys from government and the private sector attended the event. The event speakers were **Leslye Fraser**, Environmental Appeals Board Judge at the Environmental Protection Agency; **Norma Hutcheson**, Deputy Managing Counsel for the Capital Metro Law Office of the United States Postal Service, and **Tracey Pinson**, Director for Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Office for the Secretary of the Army. The seminar was moderated by Lani P. Shaw, Chairperson of the Government Lawyers Division and Senior Attorney at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. The presenters provided an overview of SES—whose members serve in key positions just below the top Presidential appointees and are the major link between the appointees and the rest of the federal workforce. During the seminar, information was also provided regarding the application and selection process for this high level of government service. NBA Board Member-at-Large and retired SES member Joe Hairston was also on hand to give advice and share his experience in the Senior Executive Service.

Sponsors of the event, which included a networking reception, were the African American Federal Executives Association, the Washington Bar Association, and the Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division, National Bar Association (GWAC).

Division Hosts Successful Government Lawyers Panel, "How I Got Over: Successful Transitions In and Out of Government"



On January 29, 2013, the Government Lawyers Division hosted an informative panel and networking event, "How I Got Over: Successful Transitions In and Out of Government." The event, held at Beveridge & Diamond in Washington, D.C., attracted young and seasoned professionals who wanted to be informed about making successful transitions in and out of the government sector. Attendees heard from a panel of experts that included **Will A. Gunn**, General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs; **Geovette E. Washington**, Deputy General Counsel, Department of Commerce; **Kim Kendrick**, Of Counsel, Leftwich & Ludaway; and **Nadira Clarke**, Principal, Beveridge and Diamond.

Division CLE at Annual Convention

Cont'd from Page 2 **Arlene Knighten** NBA Member-at-Large and Deputy General Counsel for the Louisiana Department of Insurance, also serves as the ethics officer for the Department. She holds the National Association of Insurance Commissioners designation of Professional in Insurance Regulation. She is also a Certified Compliance and Ethics Professional.



Eaddy

Trina Eaddy is Counsel with Philips North America. In this capacity, she is the lead in-house lawyer for the sale of healthcare, lighting, and consumer lifestyle products and services to all Federal and State government customers. She leads legal and general corporate policy support in complex corporate and commercial transactions and works closely with business units to ensure that corporate policies align with the requirements of federal and state laws related to government contracts.

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GLD Membership

Is it time to renew your membership? Government Lawyers Division dues are only \$15.00 per year, any NBA member in good standing is eligible for Division membership. Join or rejoin the GLD now! Visit the NBA website to renew your membership or to join — www.NationalBar.org.

Still undecided about attending the convention? The on-site government/non-profit convention registration rate is only \$675.