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FALL 2012**Website: <http://www.charlestonbar.com>****FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Dear Colleagues:

It was there waiting for me as I opened my e-mail this morning - a memo from one of the schools I have attended noting that the legislature had cut funding, and asking me for a donation so that it can continue its mission to educate the public. I regularly receive phone calls from this worthy institution or that worthy cause bemoaning the current economy, and requesting that we help them fulfill their objectives of public service. It's as if they think that lawyers are swimming in dough, and are just looking for someone to whom they need to give their money.

It is no secret that the current economic malaise has had a significant effect upon the legal profession. Legal publications have well documented that a number of megafirms have split, filed bankruptcy, and have left many creditors holding uncollectible claims. Other firms have noticeably tightened their belts, placing a freeze on hiring and separating long time employees from their payrolls. Firms of all size are struggling to regularly meet their payrolls and the normal expenses of running a law practice. Newspapers regularly report the poor performance of job placement of law school; when firms are not hiring, it is difficult to place lawyers with established firms. Indeed, some law schools are facing lawsuits asserting that they have falsely inflated placement numbers to induce prospective students to attend. Although I don't know where the charitable organizations got the idea that lawyers have excess funds they are just dying to give away, my conversations with other attorneys lead me to the conclusion that most of us are facing tough economic times; we are not exempt from the financial strains of the current economy.

Even if you cannot afford to give money to your alma mater or other worthy causes, you can benefit your community by donating your most valuable asset - your time and expertise. Abraham Lincoln famously stated, "A lawyer's time and advice are his stock in trade." Even more so than money, an attorney can benefit his profession and community by providing his time and advice to those in need. Whether we decide to donate your time and talents to your religious institution, another charitable organization, or decide to forge your own way to benefit the community, it is our obligation as professionals to give back to the community in ways other than just in monetary contributions. I have found, in doing so, that you usually receive more in the way of personal satisfaction than you expended in making this effort.

The Charleston School of Law has established a new program which gives members of our bar the opportunity to donate time and expertise to provide guidance in the assistance of our profession. The Charleston School of Law has established a mentor program which will kick off this semester, and is actively seeking mentors to participate in the program. Mentors will participate in an introductory breakfast program during in October, followed by smaller lunch programs throughout the year. While the program requests a minimum of three hours of mentor time during the semester, it encourages more interaction between the mentoring attorney and the law student for those willing to give more of their time.

This is the ideal time for our members to participate in a mentoring program, both for the benefit of the community and for our local bar. I was fortunate to have clerked with a judge upon graduating law school, and thereafter to work in a large firm and obtain guidance from several very experienced attorneys in learning the proper way to engage in the practice of law. In my time as a judicial clerk, I also learned some very valuable lessons from watching some attorneys in action who did not grasp the proper way to engage in our profession. Because of the lack of available jobs in the legal market, many new graduates will not have the benefit of mentoring within a firm as they start their legal careers. Like it or not, many of the new law school graduates will be practicing in our midst within the near future. If we allow new law school graduates to enter the

practice without guidance as to proper behavior in the pursuit of our profession, we may all have to deal with the consequences of failing to invest our time in guiding these new members.

You will find in this edition of the newsletter a letter from Marisa Thames and Jim Myrick, requesting members of the Bar to participate in the Charleston School of Law mentoring program. I encourage each of you to join in this effort and help shape the practice of law in the Lowcountry for many years to come!

With best wishes,

Robert A. Bernstein

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altman & Coker, LLC is pleased to announce that **William O. Sweeny IV** has joined the firm. His practice will focus on civil litigation. Previously, he was with the South Carolina Department of Revenue. He received a bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University, a MBA from the University of South Carolina, and a law degree from the University of South Carolina.

Ayers Family Law, LLC, formerly the Law Office of Emily W. Ayers, LLC, announces that **Ashley Simons Layton** has become an associate of the firm, located at 135 King Street. (843) 628-2817. www.ayersfamilylaw.com

Phillip Florence, Jr. announces the opening of **The Florence Law Group, LLC**, located downtown Charleston at 285-A Meeting Street, Charleston, S.C. 29401. Tel. (843) 789-3107; Fax: (843) 789-3313; Email: phil@theflorencelaw.com.

J. Benjamin Stevens and **Jenny R. Moser** announce that she has become a partner in **The Stevens Firm, PA Family Law Center** and she is merging her practice with that firm effective July 15, 2012. The firm will continue to be located at 1188 Asheville Highway, Spartanburg, SC 29303. Ms. Moser can be reached by telephone at (864) 598-9172, by facsimile at (864) 598-9264 or by email at jenny@spartanburglawyers.com.

The law firm of **McAngus Goudelock & Courie** is pleased to announce that **Allison C. Nussbaum** has joined the firm's Charleston, S.C. office. Her practice focuses on workers' compensation defense. She received her law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law, where she was on the editorial board of the Real Property and Trust Journal. She holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Mrs. Nussbaum is a regular speaker and presenter on workers' compensation topics, and she is a member of the Defense Research Institute, South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association, Public Risk Management Association, South Carolina Bar Association and its Workers' Compensation Section, and the Charleston County Bar Association.

Catherine MacKelcan announces the opening of **The Law Office of Catherine Bryan MacKelcan, LLC**, located at 764 St. Andrews Boulevard. Catherine's practice will focus on probate, estate planning, special needs and elder law. 843-259-2076; catherine@mackelcanlaw.com.

Sottile & Hopkins, LLC is pleased to announce that **Katie Hinson Lewis** has joined the firm as an associate attorney. She is a graduate of Coastal Carolina University and the University of South Carolina School of Law. Her practice will emphasize real estate, business transactions, and estate planning.

Wilkes Law Firm, P.A., is pleased to announce that **Elizabeth (Beth) Fritz Bailey** will join the firm in its Charleston office in early September. Beth graduated with honors from the University of South Carolina Honors College in 1999 with a B.A. in Political Science, and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of South Carolina in 2002. Beth's practice at Wilkes Law Firm, P.A., will include all areas of civil litigation, including professional liability defense, construction litigation, commercial litigation and personal injury defense.

Wilkes Law Firm, P.A. is also pleased to announce that it has relocated its Charleston office to 200 Meeting Street, Suite 205, Charleston, South Carolina, 29401. The firm is now located in the heart of downtown Charleston, and continues to focus its practice in all areas of civil litigation, including professional liability defense, construction litigation and personal injury defense. Derek Newberry, formerly of the firm's Spartanburg office, now practices full-time in the new Charleston location. Mike Wilkes continues to work out of both the Spartanburg and Charleston offices.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please remember to send any changes in your contact information (address, telephone number, e-mail address, etc.) to the below e-mail address so that your mail will not be returned to us and you will receive all notifications sent out via e-blast. If you have not been receiving e-blasts it is probably due to the fact that we either do not have your e-mail address or the one that we have is incorrect. We are missing e-mails from many attorneys so checking your e-mail on our website is very important and providing us with the correct information via e-mail is appreciated. In addition, all newsletters and other mailouts sent out by the Bar Association are sent bulk mail and the post office will not forward bulk mail.

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ONLINE MEMBER DIRECTORY

Please help us have a more complete online member directory. If you go to the Lawyer Director on <http://www.charlestonbar.com> and see that any of your contact information and/or headshot is missing, or outdated, please e-mail the information and photo (in jpeg format) to jholzel2@concast.net. We will add the new information to the website as quickly as possible. **This is especially important for new members.**

2012-2013 CHARLESTON COUNTY BAR DUES REMINDER

All Charleston County Bar members will be receiving a bill for their 2013 annual bar dues from the South Carolina State Bar. Please remember to check the space indicated for payment of your Charleston County Bar dues on the form. Please note that the dues have been raised to \$100.00 for 2013 by vote of the membership at the Annual Meeting in February, 2012. You will not receive a bill from the Charleston County Bar for your 2013 dues; therefore it is very important that you pay them along with your South Carolina Bar dues in order to remain on the active roster.

CHARLESTON COUNTY BAR MENTOR PROGRAM

With excitement and anticipation, the Student Division of the Charleston County Bar is pleased to announce the founding of a mentor program. That's right, the gamecocks and tigers aren't the only ones kicking off this fall. With the blessing of Chief Justice Toal and the Executive Board of the Charleston County Bar Association, the Student Division Mentoring Program will also kick off the fall.

The program, instituted by Marisa Thames, president of the Student Division, and James Myrick of Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice will promote career development and camaraderie between student members and professional members of the Charleston County Bar Association. The program is simple and informal, but critical in today's legal environment as it aims to insure that the newest members of the bar are equipped with the skills necessary to practice law.

The Student Division Mentoring Program asks mentors to share advice, experience and guidance consistent with the Charleston County Bar Association values. Each mentor will be matched with one student member of the Charleston County Bar Association. Mentors and mentees are asked to meet for only three hours per semester, concluding upon the mentee's graduation. The program is for law students only. It is not part of the SC Supreme Court's new Lawyer Mentoring Program.

With the unveiling of the Student Division Mentoring Program right around the corner, members of the bar have the option of participating. If you are interested in being a mentor or would like additional information please contact Marisa Thames at 843-749-2829 or by email at mathames@charlestonlaw.edu.

PRO BONO MOMENTS

By: Marvin H. Feingold, Esquire
Director/ Legal Counsel
(Charleston) Pro Bono Legal Services, Inc.

As Charleston Pro Bono approaches its most ambitious fundraising effort in the seven years of its existence, The Pro Bono Reception and Awards Gala on October 11, 2012, traditional Legal Aid Programs funded by the federal government and their clients brace for an expected 50 million dollars in cuts for fiscal year 2013. To meet the rising demand for civil legal services, the Legal Services Corporation (conduit for federal funds allocated by Congress to state Legal services programs) is doubling down on its efforts to promote Pro Bono service by private attorneys. LSC has established a task force of prominent judges and attorneys to promote Pro Bono work even as private attorneys are pressed to find billable hours in a stressed economy. The traditional system of direct service by Legal Aid staff attorneys is now recognized as more inadequately funded than ever before, to meet the rising tide of litigants in need of professional legal assistance.

One result of the unmet need is the steady increase in people trying to self-litigate. As John Levi, Chairman of LSC has put it:

“There's a crisis in this country. Courthouses are being filled with people just showing up, trying to find out what their rights are. If you're a low-income person and you have a legal need, it's not easy to get it addressed.”

Approximately 25% of the people who seek Charleston Pro Bono's services say they were “sent here by the people at the courthouse.”

Our Charleston County Bar Association is way ahead of the curve. Having the most robust county Pro Bono Program in the southeast region, we are approaching 25% participation by CCBA members.

Charleston Pro Bono also combines clinical opportunities for law students with the rendering of advice and counsel for self-litigants. The “Ackerman Fellowships” which employs law students in CPB offices during the Summer as well as the

volunteer students fulfilling their pro bono requirements throughout the year produce hundreds of legal documents for self-litigants each year under the supervision of attorney staff and volunteer attorneys.

We are in a financial crisis. Foundation Grants for non-profits have become scarce. To survive, Charleston Pro Bono must be financially supported by the contributions of Charleston attorneys. We urgently need your financial contribution now.

INSERT BOX (Describing levels of contribution)



CHARLESTON PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES, INC.

- ___ **I/we will sponsor the 2012 Pro Bono Awards reception at the following level:**
- ___ **Angel •** \$10,000 & above (Special endowments to Pro Bono Legal Services, 20 tickets, reserved table & program recognition)
- ___ **Platinum •** \$5,000 (10 tickets, reserved table & program recognition)
- ___ **Diamond •** \$2,500 (4 tickets & program recognition)
- ___ **Gold •** \$1,000 (2 tickets & program recognition)
- ___ **Silver •** \$500 (1 ticket & program recognition)
- ___ Yes, I will be a _____ sponsor for \$_____
- ___ Yes, I will attend the reception. Please reserve ___ tickets at \$100 each.
- ___ I cannot attend the reception. Please accept my contribution of \$_____

INSERT TICKET ATTACHED TO E-MAIL

Steven D. Epps

By: Ruth W. Cupp

“I don’t have a show case of framed items. I do not have any historical keepsakes that have been passed down through generations of my family,” said Steven D. Epps, of the firm of Thurmond Kirchner Timbes & Yelverton, P.A. However, now I can display and show my clients of my family’s connection to the common law of S.C.”

“When I tried my first construction defect case, we necessarily needed a charge to the jury on the issue that damages occurred due to the defect on the plans laid out for the construction project.

“So, I picked up our new copy of Judge Anderson’s Requests to charge. I found the case of Epps vs. United States, 187 Fed. Supp 584 (p.S.C. 1960),” said Epps.

“Epps is not a common surname, so my curiosity was piqued. Interesting enough, the case was not about my wayward cousins, but rather my grandfather! He was suing the United States (actually the Soil Construction Services) due to its neglect in preparing a scope of work for a damn my grandfather was helping them build,” said Epps.

“I knew about the basic facts of the case and had known them most of my life. The result of the situation left my grandfather with a lifetime disability which was difficult to miss,” continued Epps.

“However, through my years in law school or as I began my practice, I had no idea my grandfather had ever pursued litigation over the incident. Much Less, that his case was reported in Federal Supplement and then was cited as a basis for a suit on an important facet in my area of law, “said Epps.

“Recently, I located and purchased an old copy of the 187th volume of the Federal Supplement. I’ve taken it to the frame shop and I will proudly display it in my office,“ said Epps.

Judicial Notice

S.C. Circuit Judge J. C. Nicholson, Jr.

By: Robert T. Crabtree, Charleston School of Law, Class of 2013

On the bench for over 13 years, Judge J.C. Nicholson, Jr.'s professional career is a laundry list of various positions involving public service. Whether it was his time spent as an assistant solicitor, his 18 years with the Air National Guard, or his time on the bench, Judge Nicholson has always diligently served his community. Outside of the confines of his courtroom, Judge Nicholson served as a member of the SCBAR House of Delegates, the American Bar Association, and the American Trial Lawyers Association. When the bar newsletter caught up with him, he had just finished up a two day bench trial. "That was a long couple of days," he joked.

Born: September 30, 1942, Birmingham, Ala. (Raised in Camden, S.C.)

Elected: February 10, 1999 to the position of Circuit Judge At-Large; May 30, 2001 to Tenth Judicial Circuit

Education: B.A., The Citadel, 1964; J.D., University of South Carolina, 1973

Career: Orangeburg County Assistant Solicitor, 1973-74; Private practice, 1974-83; Greenville County Assistant Solicitor, 1983; Private practice with Epps & Krause, 1983-99.

Family: Wife, Jan; five children, Amanda, Stacy, J.C. Nicholson, III, Lara, and Jon. He has nine grandchildren. The Nicholsons have homes in Anderson and Isle of Palms.

1. **Hobbies:** He is an avid golfer. The Links Course at Wild Dunes is at the top of his list.
2. **What the Bar would be surprised to learn:** He has traveled all over the world flying C-130s for the Air National Guard. "The only places I haven't been are the South Pacific region and some of the former Eastern Bloc countries," he said.
3. **Best part about being a judge:** Watching the attorneys work. "The courtroom is a very dynamic atmosphere," he points out. "It's interesting for me to see lawyers' ingenuity, or sometimes, lack thereof."
4. **Hardest part about being a judge:** Like so many other judges, it's sentencing. "The hardest part about sentencing is determining whether the defendant has just gone astray, or if he or she is actually an evil person," he said. "If they're evil, then you obviously want to get them off the street to protect the public, but if they've just lost their way, you want to help them get back on track."
5. **Priceless moments in your courtroom:** He recalls trying a case, which started on a Monday in Lancaster. "On Thursday, the bailiff came and told me that one of the jurors needed to talk to me," he explained. "So when she came out, and I asked her what the problem was she said, 'Judge, I've been sitting in that jury room with my older sister for the last three days and I can't take it anymore.'" He felt so bad for her that he dismissed her and called in an alternate juror.
6. **In your courtroom, DO:** Be objective. He believes that some lawyers, especially younger attorneys, get too involved in their side of the case and don't pay enough attention to their client's weaknesses as well as the opposing parties strengths. "There is a balance between being a zealous advocate, and not being able to see the forest through the trees," he noted.
7. **In your courtroom, DON'T:** Interrupt anyone, or try to talk over the opposing attorney. Also, don't come into his courtroom unprepared. "Even if the senior partner just handed you the file," he added.

8. **Most valuable experience:** OTJ-“On the job training.” “If you’re going to be a trial judge, you really ought to have been trying cases. There’s no substitute for OTJ,” he insists.
9. **Advice to young trial lawyers:** Don’t come into court without doing two things: 1) Talking to your witnesses, and 2) going to visit the site at issue in the litigation. He added, “Obviously, if the case is a breach-of-contract claim then you may be holding the site at issue in your own hands, but no matter the claim, you need to see the site at issue with your own eyes.”
10. **What would you change about the American judicial system?** Expanding the variety of alternative sentences that judges have at their disposal, beyond incarceration, especially for first time offenders. He is a proponent of the restitution centers that used to exist, where an offender would be incarcerated at night, but would work during the day and those wages would go to the center and the victim. “This could really have a huge impact in drug cases because it would be a way that we could combine law enforcement with treatment,” he pointed out. “Also, I think centers like that would be effective alternatives to jail for probation violators.”

SAVE THE DATE

Charleston County Bar Association Holiday Party
South Carolina Aquarium
350 Concord Street
Charleston, SC 29401
(more details in November)

CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

(Court schedules are changing constantly; please verify current information through S.C. Court Administration or by checking the South Carolina Judicial Department website at <http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/calendar/index.cfm>.)

October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22
Chas AW - Jefferson 9 th CPNJ/ - Harrington PCR Chas CP - Dennis Chas CP - McDonald Chas GS - Hughston Chas GS - Nicholson	9 th CPNJ - Nicholson Chas CP - McDonald Chas CP - Jefferson Berk GS - Dennis	Chas CP - McDonald Chas GS - Harrington Chas GS - Dennis	9 th CPNJ - Dennis Chas CP - Jefferson Chas CP - Young Chas GS - Harrington Chas GS - Hughston
October 29	November 5	November 12	November 19
Chas CP - Brown Chas CP - Jefferson Berk CP - Young Berk GS - Harrington	9 th CPNJ - Dennis Chas CP - Hughston Chas GS - Jefferson Chas GS - Nicholson	9 th CPNJ - Nicholson 9 th CPNJ - Young Chas CP - Harrington Chas CP - Hughston Chas GS - Jefferson Chas GS - McDonald	
November 26	December 3	December 10	December 17
Chas CP - Hughston Chas CP - McDonald Berk CP - Jefferson Chas GS - Dennis	9 th CPNJ - Harrington 9 th CPNJ/ - Young PCR Chas CP - Jefferson Chas GS - Hughston Chas GS - McDonald Berk CP - Nicholson	Chas CP - Jefferson Chas GS - Dennis Chas GS - Harrington Berk CP - Nicholson	Chas CP - Hughston Chas CP - Jefferson Berk CP - Nicholson Berk CP - Young Berk GS - McDonald

CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22
	Dor GS - Harrington	Dor GS - Dickson	
October 29	November 5	November 12	November 19
1 st CPNJ/ - Mullen PCR Dor CP - Goodstein	Dor GS - Dickson	1 st CPNJ - Goodstein Dor GS - Early	
November 26	December 3	December 10	December 17
Dor CP - Goodstein	Dor GS - Dickson	Dor GS - Harrington	Dor CP - Harrington

FAMILY COURT SCHEDULE - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22
Chas - McMahon Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Landis Berk - Creech Berk - Cate	Chas - Kinon Chas - Cate Chas - Martin Chas - McMahon Chas: - Garfinkel Berk - Landis Berk - Woods	Chas - McMahon Chas - Landis Chas - Cate Chas - Martin Berk - Fuge Berk - Creech	Chas - Garfinkel Chas - Woods Chas - Phillips Chas - Cate Chas - McMahon Berk - McLin Berk - Snelgrove
October 29	November 5	November 12	November 19
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FAMILY COURT SCHEDULE - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22
Dor - Wylie Dor - McLin	Dor - McLin	Dor - Holt Dor - McLin	Dor - Wylie
October 29	November 5	November 12	November 19
Dor - McLin Dor - Wylie	Dor - Wylie	Dor - Edwards	
November 26	December 3	December 10	December 17
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CHARLESTON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS JURY VERDICTS

(Information supplied by Clerk of Court's Office)

2009-CP-10-6148 Hope Dangerfield Carter, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Linda Dangerfield, Deceased vs. James M. Ravenel and Charleston Gastroenterology Specialists, P.A.

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Geoffrey H. Waggoner and Julia M. Flumian
Defendants: Mary Agnes Hood Craig, Robert H. Hood and Brian E. Johnson

Cause of Action: Medical Malpractice

Verdict: For the Defendants.

2010-CP-10-0535 Giles Hoback vs. T & P Properties, LLC d/b/a Comfort Inn Coliseum

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Christopher Joseph McCool
Defendant: Joseph DuRant Thompson, III

Cause of Action: Premises Liability

Verdict: For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$85,000.00.

2010-CP-10-3026 William Steinmeyer vs Benjamin Adam Lambert

Attorneys: Plaintiff: C. Steven Moskos
Defendant: Mark A. Mason

Cause of Action: Breach of Contract

Verdict: For the Defendant.

2010-CP-10-4067 Linda H. Mason vs Jon Carter, M.D. and Robert Bostic, P.A.

Attorneys: Plaintiff: William Michael Gruenloh
Defendant: Mary Agnes Hood Craig

Cause of Action: Medical Malpractice

Verdict: For the Defendants.

2010-CP-10-7245 Melissa Furmanchik, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of David Furmanchik vs. Gregory Miller, M.D.

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Ronald L. Richter,, Jr. and Eric Bland
Defendant: John Keith Blincow, Jr. and Ashley Sumner Heslop

Cause of Action: Medical Malpractice

Verdict: For the Defendant.

2010-CP-10-9917 Rolando Santiago, as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Jose Hernandez-Arizmendi a/k/a Eduardo Gomez-Ortiz vs. Chloe Engel

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Robert V. Phillips and Dan Luginbilol
Defendants: Andrew S. Halio

Cause of Action: Personal Injury

Verdict: For the Defendant.

2011-CP-10-1097 Andre S. Nicholson vs. David Kenneth Parks

Attorney: Plaintiff: Jeff W. Buncher, Jr.
Defendant: John L. McDonald, Jr.

Cause of Action: Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict: For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$2,250.00 actual damages.

2011-CP-10-1355 Ian S. Hill vs. City of North Charleston

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Max G. Mahaffee
Defendant: Christopher T. Dorsel

Cause of Action: Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict: For the Defendant.

2011-CP-0-1528 Cynthia McNaughton vs. Charleston Charter School for Math and Science, Inc.

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Nancy Bloodgood
Defendant: Thomas B. Smith

Cause of Action: Breach of Contract

Verdict: For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$20,623.00 actual damages and \$74,112.00 special damages.

2011-CP-10-3356 Sherry A. Marvin vs. William Hoffman

Attorneys: Plaintiff: L. Scott Harvin
Defendant: Elizabeth Corn

Cause of Action: Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict: For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$842.49 actual damages.

2011-CP-10-3627 Iris K. Mumphrey and Devonte Mumphrey vs. Ruby Lee Sexton

Attorneys: Plaintiffs: Frederick W. Riesen, III
Defendant: Brittany F. Boykin

Cause of Action: Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict: For the Plaintiff Iris Mumphrey in the amount of \$29,000.00 actual damages; for the Plaintiff Devonte Mumphrey in the amount of \$2,000.00 actual damages.

FEDERAL COURT JURY VERDICTS

(Information supplied by Clerk of Court's Office)

2:10-CV-1810-RMG Catherine Powell Regan vs. Palmetto Prince George Operating, LLC d/b/a Prince George Healthcare Center and Millennium Management, LLC

Attorneys: Plaintiff: Alice F. Paylor and Lorene Stuhr Dukes
Defendants: Kevin W. Sturm, John K. Blincow, Jr. and Michael I. Bernstein

Cause of Action: Job Discrimination (Employment)

Verdict: For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$36,255.00 compensatory damages and \$90,000.00 punitive damages.