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

Dear Colleagues:

As we start a new year for the Charleston County Bar, I must acknowledge and thank President John Massalon and the outgoing Board members for the wise and able leadership over the past year. This past year has brought us the ability to participate in continuing legal education through webinar technology; the website continues to provide invaluable information for use in our various practices; we have financially supported worthy causes; we have forged closer and harmonious relationships with the community, and we have honored some of our best and brightest. To John and the "retiring" members of the Board - Randell Stoney, Eli Poliakoff and Lori Proctor - I say, "Job well done!"

Just as the annual meeting is a celebration of our past accomplishments, it is the opportunity to reflect and consider ways to improve our services to our membership. Our purpose for being here is to be of service to our membership. We want to undertake programs and pursue projects which afford the greatest benefits for the entire Bar; we cannot do so without your input. We have an energetic and enthusiastic Executive Board, but we need you to let us know how we can help you. Our Board represents a wide array of experience and practices; contact any one of the members with ideas on making the practice of law or the administration of justice better in our community.

As we are fond of saying, the practice of law is not an occupation, it is a profession. As practitioners of this profession, our obligations exceed our personal interests or those of the clients we serve; the administration of justice within our system is our highest obligation. Indeed, one of our obligations as professionals is to provide pro bono public service; Rule 6.1 of the Rules of Professional Conduct mandate this service. Once again, the Charleston County Bar is leading the state in providing legal services to those who would otherwise be unable to gain access to the legal system. Years ago, as federal funds for Neighborhood Legal Assistance dwindled, the leadership of the Charleston County Bar Association stepped up to the plate and established the Pro Bono Legal Services program. While the South Carolina Bar has supported state wide pro bono service, Charleston County Pro Bono Legal Services is the only locally supported program reaching out to help those unable to otherwise obtain this necessary representation. Marvin Feingold and Gerry Kaynard have ably guided these operations. For years, Pro Bono Legal Services has relied upon multiple funding sources - federal, state and local - to accomplish its mission. As the economy has suffered, government funding has become more scarce and left Pro Bono Legal Services with uncertain sources of funding.

During the past several years, the uncertain sources of funding have jeopardized the viability of Pro Bono Legal Services. In an effort establish reliable funding for pro bono, a bylaw amendment was proposed to fund pro bono through allocation of \$25.00 per member, beginning with next year's dues assessment. Despite difficult economic times, no objection was voiced by anyone in attendance at the annual meeting, and the bylaw amendment was passed unanimously. This commitment to the less fortunate did not go unnoticed in the greater legal community. One appellate court judge remarked to me that the unanimous support of our Bar for this amendment reflects highly on our Bar - and I couldn't agree more. Rather than being surprised by this support, however, I did not expect any less from our membership.

We should not stop merely at providing financial support for Pro Bono Legal Services. Each of us needs to commit our time and personal talents to assist in the provision of services to those who need but cannot afford them. I must admit that, for years, my pro bono service has been limited to performing court appointments. I have been inspired by the efforts of our Bar to volunteer for Pro Bono Legal Services. I encourage each of the members of our organization - whether newly

admitted, practicing a short time or firmly entrenched in our legal community - to do the same. The benefits to be attained in performing such service - both personally and to our profession - will far exceed the effort that we put into performing such service.

I look forward to the honor of serving as President of your Bar over the coming year, and hope I can fill the very large shoes of my predecessors!

With best wishes,

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Cothran Law Office LLC** announces that **Jonathan Sullivan** has joined the firm as an associate attorney. The firm's areas of practice are estate and trust planning, probate, asset protection, business law, and tax planning. We help our clients translate their love for family into a meaningful legacy of peace and harmony. The firm is located at 81 Vincent Drive, Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.

**Wade H. Logan, III** announces that he has become Special Counsel to the firm of **Buist, Byars & Taylor, LLC** at its Mount Pleasant office. Logan, who was previously with the firm of Hagood & Kerr, P.A., limits his practice to mediation and other forms of ADR. Tel. (843) 856-4488; E-Mail: [wade.logan@buistbyars.com](mailto:wade.logan@buistbyars.com).

**W. Mullins McLeod, Jr.** announces the opening of **McLeod Law Group, LLC**. **Julie L. Moore** has joined the firm as an associate. The McLeod Law Group office is located at 134 Meeting Street, Suite 160, Charleston, SC 29401. Phone: (843) 277-6655. Fax: (843) 277-6660. Web: [www.mcleod-lawgroup.com](http://www.mcleod-lawgroup.com)

**Amanda C. Williams** has joined the Charleston office of **McNair Law Firm, P.A.** as an associate. Her practice focuses primarily on professional malpractice defense and business tort defense

**The Murphy Law Firm, LLC** announces that **Jennifer Selan** has become an associate of the firm located at 815 Savannah Hwy, Suite 201B, Charleston, SC 29407, (843) 571-4300.

The founding partners are proud to announce the opening of the new law firm: **Rodenberg Callihan Davis Lohr & Syracuse**. The partners include: **J. Steven Rodenberg, Lorey Callihan, Rodney Davis, KC Lohr** and **Melissa Syracuse**. The practice focuses on personal injury, criminal defense, worker's compensation and medical malpractice. The office is located at 7301 Rivers Avenue, Suite 241, North Charleston, SC 29406. Phone: (843) 789-3749. Fax: (843) 789-3724.

**Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP** is proud to announce the addition of two new attorneys to the firm's Charleston office Corporate Team. **G.P. Diminich** has joined the firm as a partner and **Halsey O. Schreier** has joined the firm as an associate, each having tax degrees from the New York University School of Law along a wealth of experience in tax and estate planning. The new hires come two months after **Michael J. Hickerson** joined the Corporate Team in the Charleston office, which opened in April 2011.

**Turner Padgett Graham & Laney, P.A.** announces **Michael G. Roberts** who is the managing Shareholder of the Charleston office has been elected to a three-year term on the firm's Executive Committee and **Nosi Ralephata** has been elected to shareholder. .

**Vitetta Law Group** announces that **Leslie Sarji** has joined the firm as a partner and they are changing their name to **Vitetta.Sarji Law Group**. The firm is located at 225 Seven Farms Drive, Suite 201, Charleston, SC 29492. Tel. (843) 302-2050.

### **SC Bar Young Lawyers Division Wills Clinic. Volunteer attorneys are Needed**

A free Wills Clinic for law enforcement officers & first responders will be held on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00—3:00 p.m. at the Gaillard Auditorium. Attorney volunteers are needed who practice in this area and who would be interested in volunteering to help write wills for the officers/first responders. Volunteers could stay for the day, or choose an a.m. (9:00-12:00) or p.m. (12:00-4:00) shift. They would be basic wills, with forms provided that have been approved by the SC Bar (so no starting from scratch), and all of the participants are filling out intake forms that we'll have for the volunteers that day as well. The participants sign up for appointments, the last appointment being at 3:00 p.m. to finish by 4:00 p.m..

If any attorneys who practice in this area would like to volunteer, they can contact Jennifer A. Kinzeler, Assistant Solicitor

Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office at [kinzelerj@scsolicitor9.org](mailto:kinzelerj@scsolicitor9.org) or 843-442-1569. Volunteers to serve as witnesses and notaries, who could also work in shifts.

## **CHARLESTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD 2012-2013**

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## **CLASSIFIEDS**

### **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. 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**

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## **PRO BONO MOMENTS**

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

## **PRO BONO MOMENTS**

On February 29, 2012, The Charleston County Bar Association (CCBA) took a giant step in its commitment to equal justice in Charleston County when the organization amended its by-laws to include permanent funding for (Charleston) Pro Bono Legal Services, Inc. (CPB).

The non-profit, CPB, which was created by the CCBA in 2004, has, as its primary mission, facilitating pro-bono service in the civil areas of law for low-income people. The agency does this, first, through outreach to find the clients in need. When an application for services is received, the eligibility of the client (financial, geographic, etc.) is established. If the case is then deemed meritorious and within the case-type priorities established by the CPB Board, one or more of several alternative treatments is elected. 1. Direct service by CPB staff, in the form of advice and counsel and brief services including, inter alia: Wills, Health Care Powers of Attorney and Pro Se assistance is available. 2. Volunteer attorneys accept cases requiring actual representation where appropriate but also may assist with limited advice and counsel.

CPB has leveraged resources by providing a venue for law students and externs seeking opportunities to serve and get practical experience. Many second and third year students at Charleston School of Law (CSOL) give 30 hours or more, interviewing clients and preparing legal documents. The William Ackerman Summer Law Fellowship Program employs 6 students, recruited locally and nationally each Summer to work full time in the CPB office. Two seminars in which Summer law student clerks throughout the County receive practical tips from experienced Charleston attorneys are also presented each year. In addition to law student volunteers and Ackerman Fellows, retired attorneys and paralegals seeking practical experience, also regularly volunteer at the CPB office.

The long-standing partnership between CSOL and CPB has been further solidified by CSOL's recent gift of \$10,000 to CPB. CPB will continue to nurture this collaboration to enhance clinical opportunities for CSOL students.

On February 28, 2012 CPB, at the request of the South Carolina Bar Foundation, representatives of the CPB board and staff, met with Foundation staff in Columbia to provide advice for expansion of pro bono service by attorneys throughout the entire State. The message delivered by CPB was that the office model which has been successful in Charleston should be replicated, first in major population centers such as, eg., Columbia and Greenville where local bar associations are already well developed. We expressed the opinion that grass roots development of "Pro Bono ethos" through education and public relations is essential and the job of facilitating pro bono work is best done in a free-standing program which has as its primary mission, to facilitate such service.

For the first time in several years, the South Carolina Bar Foundation has recently committed to funding for CPB.

CPB is working to organize a fund raising event in 2012 which would be sponsored, in part by Charleston Law firms and attorneys. Technical advice and volunteers are solicited.

The future viability of Pro Bono Legal Services will depend upon the continued support of the membership.

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Please help this important program continue to serve the Charleston County community



**CHARLESTON PRO BONO**

**LEGAL SERVICES, INC.**

LAW FIRM: \_\_\_\_\_.

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is our gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_. (Lead gift \$5,000 and above)

Please cut out and return to Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services, Inc., Post Office Box 1116, Charleston, SC 29402

CPB is a 501c3 organization, your donation is tax deductible as provided by law.

## **CANDLESTICK WEAPON IN HALLOWEEN KILLING**

**By: Ruth W. Cupp**

George E. Campsen, Jr., just two years after he was admitted to the Bar, represented the defendant in a murder trial that lasted three days. He got his client off!

The year was 1958. The head line read, "CANDLESTICK WEAPON IN HALLOWEEN KILLING." The nude body of 30 year old Jack Dobbins was found by his housekeeper on his sofa with his arms were wrapped around a brass candlestick.

Dobbins lived in a pink stucco apartment at 14 Queen Street. The victim's under wear was on a nearby coffee table with two highball glasses full of bourbon. Neighbors reported that Dobbins had been to a Halloween party the night before. There were no signs that he resisted an attack and the murder room was not disturbed.

Campsen's client was an 18 year old young man in the air force. Less than two and half months later the trial began. The Defendant admitted wielding an antique candlestick at Dobbins in an act of self defense. He said Dobbins made improper advances after inviting him home for a "night cap."

On Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> the jury retired to consider the facts at 7:55 pm. The judge did not order supper for the jury. The judge and the lawyers didn't have any supper either. Some 75 spectators remained in the court room.

Two and half hours after the jury retried, they returned to the Court room. The jury wanted to ask a question about a photograph in evidence then retired for the second time. People chain smoked.

At 12:55 am, the judge called the jury out. He said, "We've had a trial and you are here to get a verdict-the truth-in this case. If the state is entitled a verdict, this case it is entitled to it tonight. If the defendant is entitled to verdict he is entitled to it tonight. He charged them on the elements of reasonable doubt. The jurors retired for the third time at 12:50 am.

Twenty minutes later, the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty."

The prosecutor was Solicitor Theodore Dubose Stony.

## **Judicial Notice**

### **S.C. Circuit Judge Stephanie P. McDonald**

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

Elected just over a year ago, Stephanie P. McDonald is the state's newest circuit court judge. After spending just a few moments with her, one characteristic is apparent; she genuinely appreciates the value of a good story. Whether it was telling a story to a jury during her seventeen years as a trial attorney, presiding over one from the bench as it unfolds, or simply enjoying one with a Tony Award winning musical score alongside her daughter Susanne, Judge McDonald embraces the idea of a well-told narrative. "I'd much rather just share some stories with you than have to talk about myself," she joked.

**Born:** January 14, 1969, Columbia, S.C. (Raised in Charleston, S.C.)

**Elected:** February 2, 2011 to the position of Circuit Judge At-Large

**Education:** B.A., University of South Carolina, 1991; J.D., University of South Carolina, 1994.

**Career:** Private practice with Stuckey and Senn, 1994-97 and Senn, McDonald & Leinbach, 1997-2011.

**Family:** Daughter, Susanne

1. **Hobbies:** She spends most of her downtime taking in shows at various theaters. She's a regular at the Dock Street Theatre and enjoys taking her daughter to New York to see Broadway productions.
2. **On your nightstand:** She recently finished reading *Jackpot* by journalist Jason Ryan, which chronicled the federal drug operation that apprehended smugglers in South Carolina during President Ronald Reagan's War on Drugs. Also, the Hunger Games Trilogy is a staple on her nightstand. "My daughter talked me into it," she admits.
3. **Best part about being a judge:** "I really enjoy the wide variety of people I get to work with on a daily basis," she said. "Also, I especially enjoy the opportunity to work with young lawyers who are trying every day to become better advocates."
4. **Hardest part about being a judge:** For her it's sentencing. "There are several different factors that all have to be balanced," she points out. "Of course you want to look at the guidelines first, but I also like to look at what other judges have done in similar circumstances." She also added that a person's criminal history plays an important role in any sentencing determination.
5. **Priceless moments in your courtroom:** Like so many judges, she is quick to point out that priceless moments happen every day in the courtroom. A point illustrated by a board on a shelf in her chambers that reads: "This ain't my first rodeo." No, she is not an aspiring barrel racer on the weekends. In fact, the words on the board came from a defendant during her first week of pleas. "A defendant was standing in front of me and you could just tell that life had sort of dealt him a rough hand. He had a pretty extensive rap sheet," she said. "And as I was going through the colloquy with him he said 'Judge, I appreciate it and all, but this ain't my first rodeo.' It was all I could do to keep a straight face."
6. **In your courtroom, DO:** Give her some law if you have some. "Judges get to make so many discretionary decisions and it really helps your case if you can give me some law to support what you're asking me to do," she noted.
7. **In your courtroom, DON'T:** Be rude to anyone in the courtroom and don't mischaracterize information. "Obviously, mischaracterization is an ethical issue, but beyond that, being rude and mischaracterizing information hinders your effectiveness in the courtroom."

8. **Advice to young trial lawyers:** Don't be afraid of the courtroom. "Know your case, know the rules, and know the record and you'll be fine," she insists.
9. **What experience best prepared you for the bench?:** Her trial and appellate work. "You cannot overemphasize the importance of actual time spent in the courtroom. Spending a lot of time in court over the years is really what prepared me to be a judge."
10. **What would you change about the American Judicial system?:** "It's not so much the system itself that I would want to change, but more the public's perception of the system," she stated. "People don't like lawyers until they need one, and then you become their lifeline. Also, I don't think attorneys get enough credit for the good work they do in the community, whether that's pro bono or otherwise."

## **SAVE THE DATE**

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**May 17 and 18, 2012**

On **May 17 and 18, 2012**, the **Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association** will meet in Charleston, SC at The Charleston Place Hotel in conjunction with the General Practice and Solo Section.

Of particular interest to the Charleston Bar are 1) an express invitation to the Charleston Bar to participate; and 2) a nationally-acclaimed CLE program featuring "How Lawyers Can Plan for and Respond to Natural Disasters". We'll learn how to advise our clients and prepare our law firms for hurricanes that inevitably head our way. CLE topics will also address the latest developments in coverage (wind versus flood), business interruption, bad faith, and related litigation.

More information follows. In the meantime, if you have questions, please contact **Jim Myrick** and [jmyrick@wcsr.com](mailto:jmyrick@wcsr.com) or 843-720-4643.



## 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>.)

| April 2   | April 9  | April 16   | April 23  |
|---|--|--|---|
| 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - Harrington<br>Chas AW - Jefferson<br>Chas CP - McDonald<br>Chas CP - Young<br>Berk GS - Dennis   | Chas CP - Dennis<br>Chas GS - Hughston<br>Chas GS - Young  | Chas CP - Hughston<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Chas GS - Dennis<br>Chas GS - McDonald<br>Berk GS - Harrington              | 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - McDonald<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Chas CP - Young<br>Berk CP - Harrington<br>Berk GS - Dennis   |
| April 30  | May 7  | May 14   | May 21  |
|   | 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - Young<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Chas CP - Nettles<br>Chas GS - Harrington<br>Chas GS - Dennis | 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNN - Dennis<br>Chas CP - Harrington<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Chas GS - McDonald<br>Chas GS - Hughston | 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ/ - Harrington<br>PCR<br>9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - Nicholson<br>Chas CP - Hughston<br>Chas CP - McDonald<br>Berk CP - Jefferson<br>Berk GS - Young |
| May 28  | June 4   | June 11  | June 18   |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - Nettles<br>Chas CP - McDonald<br>Chas CP - Harrington<br>Chas GS - Nicholson<br>Chas GS - Dennis | 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - McDonald<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Chas CP - Harrington<br>Berk GS - Dennis                   | Chas CP - Young<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Chas GS - Dennis<br>Chas GS - Harrington                                       | 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - Nicholson<br>Chas CP - Harrington<br>Chas CP - Dennis<br>Chas GS - Hughston<br>Chas GS - Jefferson   |
| June 25   |  |  |   |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> CPNJ - Young<br>Chas CP - Hughston<br>Chas CP - Jefferson<br>Berk CP - Dennis<br>Berk GS - Nicholson    |  |  |   |

## CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

| April 2            | April 9            | April 16                       | April 23                                |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Dor GS - Dickson   | Dor GS - Dickson   | 1 <sup>st</sup> CPNJ - Dickson | Dor CP - Benjamin                       |
| April 30           | May 7              | May 14                         | May 21                                  |
|                    | Dor GS - Goodstein | Dor GS - Goodstein             | 1 <sup>st</sup> CPNJ/ - Benjamin<br>PCR |
| May 28             | June 4             | June 11                        | June 18                                 |
| Dor CP - Goodstein | Dor GS - Goodstein | Dor GS - Dickson               | 1 <sup>st</sup> CPNJ - Goodstein        |
| June 25            |                    |                                |   |

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> CPNJ - Benjamin |  |  |  |
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**FAMILY COURT SCHEDULE - NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

| <b>April 2</b>   | <b>April 9</b>   | <b>April 16</b>  | <b>April 23</b>  |
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| Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Martin<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Berk - Landis<br>Berk - McLin<br>Berk - Creech | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Martin<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Berk - Woods<br>Berk - Creech                  |  | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Martin<br>Berk - Bromell Holmes<br>Berk - Landis<br>Berk - Creech      |
| <b>April 30</b>  | <b>May 7</b>   | <b>May 14</b>  | <b>May 21</b>  |
| Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Landis<br>Chas - Guyton<br>Berk - Cate<br>Berk - Creech                 | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Martin<br>Berk - Landis<br>Berk - Creech<br>Berk - McLin | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Creech<br>Chas - Martin<br>Chas - Cate<br>Berk - Landis<br>Berk - Snelgrove | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Morris<br>Chas - Martin<br>Berk - Bromell Holmes<br>Berk - Landis |
| <b>May 28</b>  | <b>June 4</b>  | <b>June 11</b>   | <b>June 18</b>   |
|  | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Martin<br>Berk - Creech<br>Berk - Landis                 | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Landis<br>Chas - Cate<br>Berk - Creech<br>Berk - Martin | Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Guyton<br>Berk - Bromell Holmes                    |
| <b>June 25</b>   |  |  |  |
| Chas - McMahon<br>Chas - Garfinkel<br>Chas - Cate<br>Chas - Martin<br>Berk - Landis<br>Berk - Creech                 |  |  |  |

**FAMILY COURT SCHEDULE - FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

| <b>April 2</b>             | <b>April 9</b>             | <b>April 16</b>            | <b>April 23</b>            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Dor - Wylie                | Dor - McLin<br>Dor - Wylie | Dor - Wylie<br>Dor - McLin | Dor - McLin<br>Dor - Wylie |
| <b>April 30</b>            | <b>May 7</b>               | <b>May 14</b>              | <b>May 21</b>              |
| Dor - McLin<br>Dor - Wylie | Dor - Jones                | Dor - McLin<br>Dor - Wylie | Dor - McLin<br>Dor - Cate  |
| <b>May 28</b>              | <b>June 4</b>              | <b>June 11</b>             | <b>June 18</b>             |
| Dor - Wylie                | Dor - McLin                | Dor - McLin                | Dor - Wylie<br>Dor - McLin |
| <b>June 25</b>             |                            |                            |                            |
| Dor - McLin<br>Dor - Cate  |                            |                            |                            |

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# **CHARLESTON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS JURY VERDICTS**

(Information supplied by Clerk of Court's Office)

2009-CP-10-0650                      Matthew Todd Hines and Sellers Transfer, Inc. vs. Brian E. McCoy, Susan D. McCoy, and Pakdhouse Group, Inc.

Attorneys:                              Plaintiffs:            P. Brandt Shelbourne  
   Defendants:        Thomas R. Goldstein and F. Truett Nettles

Cause of Action:                      Fraud/Breach of Contract

Verdict:                                      For the Plaintiffs in the amount of \$433,500.00.

2009-CP-10-6185                      Henry W. Frampton, III vs. South Carolina Department of Transportation

Attorneys:                              Plaintiff:              Richard D. Bybee  
   Defendant:            Beacham O. Brooker, Jr.

Cause of Action:                      Inverse Condemnation Temporary Taking of Access

Verdict:                                      For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$36,527.00.

2010-CP-10-6001                      Stanley L. Seals vs. CMJ Transmission Service, LLC, and Americredit Financial Services, Inc.

Attorneys:                              Plaintiff:              C. Steven Moskos  
   Defendants:        Michael A. Timbes and Paul F. Tecklenburg

Cause of Action:                      Unfair Trade Practices

Verdict:                                      For the Defendant CMJ Transmission Services.

2010-CP-10-6435                      Zanarick Dixon vs. Graybiel R. Rodr8iguez

Attorneys:                              Plaintiff:              Paul D. G. Ribeiro  
   Defendant:            Joseph R. Weston

Cause of Action:                      Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict:                                      For the Defendant.

2010-CP-10-6688                      Barbara Busby vs. Charleston Area Regional Transportation Authority (d/b/a "CARTA")

Attorneys:                              Plaintiff:              Michael J. Jordan  
   Defendant:            Christopher T. Dorsal

Cause of Action:                      Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict:                                      For the Defendant.

2010-CP-10-7677

Kristin A. Busillo vs. City of North Charleston

Attorneys:

Plaintiff: Keith Edward Robinson.

Defendant: Christopher T. Dorsal

Cause of Action:

Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict:

For the Plaintiff in the amount of \$12,315.30 after a set-off in the amount of \$4,184.70.

2010-CP-10-8163

Norbert Rivera vs. Llewellyn Negreiros

Attorneys:

Plaintiff: Brent S. Halversen

Defendant: Phillip Florence, Jr.

Cause of Action:

Motor Vehicle Accident

Verdict:

For the Defendant.

**THERE ARE NO FEDERAL COURT JURY VERDICTS**