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A major benefit of your CCBA membership is the opportunity to serve on one of the many Association substantive law committees. Committee participation offers you a voice in the future of YOUR professional organization. As a new Bar year begins, committee appointments will be one of the first official acts of President Lou Lessig. **Let Lou know how you want to be involved!**

Use the committee call list included in this month's inserts and return it to Bar Headquarters with your committee choice(s) indicated. Committee involvement is important to the future of the Association, and a terrific way to meet and network with fellow lawyers, judges and other members of the legal community. The strength of your Association depends upon the strength and activities of its committees.

**The Bar Foundation's Law School Scholarship Awards** have helped hundreds of deserving law students attain their educational dreams & goals over the years. Four of this year's recipients were able to break away from finals to receive their awards in person at the *Cocktails & Conversation Bench Bar Cocktail Party*.



(l-r) CCBA President Linda Eynon, Lloyd Henderson, Eleanor Hoescht, Michael Gerrity, Matthew Sykes & CCBF President Joe McCormick.

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## 2011 Camden County Professional Lawyer of the Year Nominations

Nominations for Camden County's Professional Lawyer of the Year Award for 2011 are now being accepted.

The Professional Lawyer of the Year Awards are given jointly by New Jersey Bar Associations and the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism in the Law to recognize deserving individuals and focus positive attention on the good works done by lawyers.

The criteria for determining a Professional Lawyer of the Year remain the same – the nominee must be someone who is committed to the ideals of professionalism and well recognized in the legal community for character and competence. Someone who is respected by all and looked upon as a model of professional behavior.

The awards will be presented at the annual awards luncheon on October 4, at the Pines Manor in Edison.

Use the nomination form included in this month's inserts to nominate a colleague you believe fits the criteria and is deserving of the award.

**Nominations are due at Bar Headquarters by 5 pm, Friday June 24.**

## Enjoy Your Summer! *Barrister Takes its Annual Hiatus*

As is our tradition, this is the final *Barrister* until we resume publication with the September issue. We hope it has been an interesting and informative *Barrister* year for you, our readers, and we look forward to continuing the tradition next year.

The *Barrister* Editorial Board appreciates the efforts of all who have taken the time and interest to provide columns for our readers month after month, and extends its gratitude to all of our regular columnists.

In addition to the regular columns that appear, the *Barrister* is fortunate to receive a number of interesting articles throughout the year from various Bar members. To those of you who pen these articles, thanks and keep 'em comin'!

This is YOUR bar publication, written for and by members of the Camden County Bar Association and we're always looking for a fresh idea for a new regular column and additional articles on various topics. We would especially appreciate substantive articles from our committees as they meet and work throughout the year. We invite submissions from ALL Bar members.

**Please remember that submissions are due on the first of the month prior to publication, i.e. August 1, for the September issue, etc. Articles should be no more than 500-600 words, 12pt. type, double-spaced and forwarded as an email attachment in MSWord or WordPerfect format to [lbp@camdencountybar.org](mailto:lbp@camdencountybar.org).**

For additional information on submitting articles for publication, please contact Bar Headquarters at 856.482.0620 or via email to [lbp@camdencountybar.org](mailto:lbp@camdencountybar.org).

Rest, relax, re-charge and have a great and safe summer! See you in September!

# The Docket

## Saturday, June 4th

### Annual Children's Picnic

11:00 – 1:30 pm

Challenge Grove Park – Cherry Hill

## Tuesday, June 7th

### Young Lawyer Committee Meeting

Noon

Bar Headquarters, Cherry Hill

## Saturday, June 11th

### Installation Dinner & Dance

6:00 – 10:00 pm

Currents Ballroom at The Adventure Aquarium, Camden

## Tuesday, June 14th

### Hot Topics in Workers'

### Compensation Law Seminar

4:00 – 6:15 pm

Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield

## Wednesday, June 15th

### Association Board of Trustees Meeting

4:00 pm

Bar Headquarters, Cherry Hill

## Friday, June 17th

### Joint Bar Picnic

1:00 – 7:00 pm

Flying W Airport, Medford

## Monday, June 20th

### Member Group Admission,

### Supreme Court of the United States

Washington, D.C.

## Wednesday, June 22nd

### Electronic Discovery & Social Networking: Legal & Ethical Issues for Lawyers Seminar

4:00 – 6:15 pm

Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield

## Thursday, June 23rd

### NJ Landlord/Tenant Practice Seminar

4:00 – 7:15 pm

Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield

## Friday, June 24th

### Social Security Committee Meeting

Noon

Bar Headquarters, Cherry Hill

## Camden/Burlington Joint Bar Picnic Slated for June 17

### Final event of the Bar year

Join friends and colleagues from the Bench & Bar in Camden and Burlington Counties for what is certain to be another great day in the great outdoors. Featuring all of your favorite picnic fare, the annual "Battle of the Bars" softball game, and poolside cocktails, this is a can't miss event! In addition to great picnic fare, open beer & wine bar and the ever-popular softball game, golfers will be able to enjoy a morning of golf to work up an appetite.

Hosted this year by BCBA, the picnic is scheduled for 1-7 p.m., at The Flying W in Medford. Tickets are just \$50 for members and \$65 for non members.

Don't miss the opportunity to join South Jersey colleagues for a great day of fun in the sun! Refer to the Picnic Flier included in this month's inserts to reserve your place today! (And bring a friend.)

## Tentative Agenda for June 15th Trustees Meeting

A tentative agenda for this month's regular Board of Trustees meeting follows. The meeting will begin at 4 p.m., at Bar Headquarters in Cherry Hill. All meetings are open to the membership. Anyone interested in attending should notify and confirm their attendance by calling Bar Headquarters at 856.482.0620.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Minutes from Previous Meeting
- III. Treasurer's Report
- IV. President's Report
- V. Membership Committee Report
- VI. Executive Director's Report
- VII. Young Lawyer Committee Report
- VIII. Standing Committee Reports
- IX. Foundation Update
- X. NJSBA Update
- XI. New Business (if any)
- XII. Old Business
- XIII. Adjourn

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## 2011 Camden County Bar MCLE Planner

### **Tuesday, June 14th – Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield**

#### **Hot Topics in Workers' Compensation Law**

**New Jersey Credit:** This program has been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for **2.4** hours of total CLE credit. Of these, **0** qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism and **2.4** qualify as hours of credit toward certification in civil trial law, criminal trial law, workers compensation law and/or matrimonial law. *The actual credits earned may be less if the course time is less than 120 minutes.*

**Pennsylvania Credit:** Seminar includes **2** hours of SUBSTANTIVE credits from the Pennsylvania CLE Board.

### **Wednesday, June 22nd – Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield**

#### **Electronic Discovery & Social Networking: Legal & Ethical Issues for Lawyers**

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## NJBA Trustee Update

# Everyone Needs A Little Vacation



By Arnold Fishman

As I sit to write this, my monthly report, I haven't a clue as to what to say. I have nothing to write about. But it is forecast to approach 70 on this beautiful day in mid-February.

I am sitting outside trying to coax the end of winter. I toy with giving you, the stout hearted who actually read these articles, a vacation and ending this report right here. I decide you haven't suffered nearly long enough. So on I go!

The problem is, I still haven't been inspired. Maybe we need a vacation? Wait a minute; I just came off vacation.

Only the brave should dare to continue.

Now the heat is really on. I still have nothing to write about. What can I say that would be of interest to all you Captains Courageous out there? I could tell you to hang on. Fun in the sun is just around the corner. But, you won't read this for months and I haven't a clue what the weather will be, and who cares about my opinion on the subject, anyway. "What are you, a regular John Facenda?" Then I thought, they probably won't even know who that is. Then I thought, you'd better get a grip!

Why not write an article about nothing? After all, Seinfeld has been getting away with it for years. And then I thought, even my readers don't deserve this. I went back and forth on that issue, and finally decided I would test your resolve.

Then I had an epiphany. Anything driven to stay the course thus far, that has made the investment, paid the price so to speak, would never abandon its quarry here. A sudden burst of power overcame me. Now my internal compass whispers, "With power comes responsibility." Jiminy Cricket and I go round and round examining the limits of those responsibilities.

From here, only the intrepid dare to tread.

Now I am desperate. I try not to invoke word count prematurely. Doing so makes the task only longer. I resolve that dilemma by giving in to the maybe-it's-longer-than-you-think delusion. Then it dawns on me; this really is an article about nothing.

Have a great summer—see you in September. Everyone needs a little vacation.



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Prior to joining the bench, Judge Uhrmacher served as the Chief of the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey. Additionally, she was Attorney-in-Charge of the Trenton U.S. Attorney's Office, and appointed to a Senior Litigation Counsel position. She also served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey.

Throughout her career, Judge Uhrmacher has been active in Teaching and Continuing Legal Education programs. Currently, she serves as Chair, Haydn Proctor Inn of Court, Monmouth County and will be teaching a Trial Advocacy course in the Fall.

Judge Uhrmacher has received consistently high ratings from attorneys appearing before her in each of the New Jersey Law Journal surveys of the Judiciary.

Judge Uhrmacher received a JD from the University of Texas at Austin and a BS from Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts.

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Another good reason to pay your dues on time is the Board of Trustees policy, which states:

***Members whose dues remain unpaid as of September 1, 2011, will not be entitled to the benefits of membership. Unpaid members will not be able to attend member-only events, will pay non-member tuition rates for Association-sponsored CLE seminars and events, will be removed from the Barrister mailing list, and will not receive discounts and services provided by Association Partners in Progress, and retail partners. Members who remain unpaid as of January 31, 2012 will be dropped and required to reapply for membership.***

***All benefits will be restored upon receipt of full payment of dues.***

So pay your dues and continue to take advantage of all that your CCBA membership offers. The first Members Only event of the season, the Meet the Judges & Law Clerks reception, will be held in September, and your dues must be paid in full to attend. We also begin the new season of live CLE seminars in September, all of which offer New Jersey CLE credits. Dues must be paid in full to receive the 30% member savings on seminar tuition.

For questions or to use a credit card for payment, call Bar Headquarters at 856.482.0620.

## Bankruptcy Practitioners Needed

South Jersey Legal Services, Inc. (SJLS) serves the legal needs of the poor and indigent in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties and provides free legal services in some civil cases to clients whose income and assets are within established limits. The need for pro bono volunteers has increased due to the current state of the economy and the drastic funding cuts to legal services organizations around the country. Specifically, we currently have a great need for bankruptcy practitioners to take cases on a pro bono basis for individuals seeking Chapter 7 bankruptcy assistance.

We refer bankruptcy cases in two ways (1) through our joint program with the bankruptcy bench/bar and Rutgers Law School – Camden (the Pro Bono Bankruptcy Project) where attorneys work with law students to help our clients file for Chapter 7 and (2) through individual referrals directly through SJLS, outside of the Bankruptcy Project. To give you an idea of the need, applicants are currently waiting approximately six months

to get assigned an attorney. SJLS works with the clients prior to making any referral to get much of the necessary document gathering done before the file is referred.

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If you or your firm would like to volunteer, please contact Michelle T. Williams, Esquire, Director of Pro Bono Services at SJLS, at (856) 964-2010 ext. 6229 or [mtwilliams@lsnj.org](mailto:mtwilliams@lsnj.org). Please keep in mind that taking even one case would be of great assistance to us and to our clients.

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**Legal Line to Criminal Court Law**

# Retain or Explain

By Howard C. Gilfert, Assistant Camden County Prosecutor

Patrol officers, detectives and investigators frequently carry a notebook to jot down information. The information recorded in such notebooks often includes victim and witness names, addresses and telephone numbers. It can also include the names of possible suspects. Officers may make notes regarding what a victim or witness tells them about their knowledge of the crime. Similarly a suspect's version of events may be recorded in note form, particularly in the case of 3rd and 4th degree crimes where stem-to-stern suspect interviews are less likely. Investigative personnel may also record details of a crime scene in some fashion.

Police officers, investigators and detectives use their notes to write a report(s) in the case. Ordinarily, the notes are discarded thereafter.

In recent years, our courts have begun to examine this practice. It has become clear in recent decisions that our courts look on this practice with disfavor.

In *State v. Cook*, 179 N.J. 533 (2004), the defendant was charged with the murder of a 15 year old girl. The defendant confessed to the killing during four police interviews conducted over the course of two days. The police officers involved in the interviews did not record them on audio or video<sup>1</sup>. The police officers took notes during the interviews which they used to write their reports. They discarded the notes afterward. The Court ultimately upheld the admission of the police officers' testimony regarding the defendant's confession based on its corroboration by other evidence, but noted its dissatisfaction with the destruction of the officers' notes: "Apparently, once each officer prepared his report, he destroyed his notes from the interrogation sessions, a practice that is apparently common, but one that we disapprove of." 179 N.J., at 542 n.3.

The following year, the Court addressed the issue again in *State v. Branch*, 182 N.J. 338 (2005). In *Branch*, the defendant was charged with burglarizing and robbing a family in their home. At trial, the responding detective testified to the description of the perpetrator he received from a seven-year-old victim in the home. The detective had discarded his notes after writing his report of the investigation. The Court expressed its frustration with the practice: "We register our displeasure that police officers engage in the seemingly routine practice of destroying their contemporaneous notes of witness interviews after the preparation of formal reports." 182 N.J., at 363 n.10.

The other shoe dropped on April 27, 2011 with the New Jersey Supreme Court's decision in *State v. W.B.*, \_\_\_A.3d\_\_\_, 2011 WL 1573862.

In *W.B.*, the sixteen-year-old victim, D.L., confided to her former boyfriend on New Year's Day of 2005 that she had been raped by her cousin several hours earlier. D.L. also told her former boyfriend that the defendant, her stepfather, sexually abused her when she was fourteen years old.

By January 12, 2005, the matter had been reported to the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS) and the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office (PCPO). A PCPO detective interviewed D.L. D.L. disclosed that the defendant committed acts of sexual

penetration on her on two separate occasions. D.L.'s statement was reduced to typewritten form immediately thereafter. D.L. signed the statement and swore it was true.

Shortly thereafter, the detective advised the defendant of his rights and interviewed him at PCPO. During the initial interview, which was not recorded,<sup>2</sup> the defendant denied the allegations. After allowing the defendant to sit alone in the interview room for a few hours, the detective spoke to the defendant again and he admitted to engaging in acts of sexual penetration with D.L. The defendant provided a contemporaneously typed question-and-answer statement which he signed. The statement was also videotaped.

At trial, D.L. recanted her statement. She testified that she fabricated the allegations because the defendant and her mother did not approve of her relationship with her former boyfriend.

The defendant recanted his confession at trial. He claimed he was tired and tipsy during the interviews and eventually just told the detective what she wanted to hear.

The detective who conducted the interviews of D.L. and the defendant discarded her contemporaneous notes after writing her report. The defendant did not request an adverse inference charge at trial. The Court upheld the conviction, but addressed the detective's discarded notes.

The Court analyzed the destruction of the detective's notes within the framework of the criminal practice discovery rule: *R. 3:13*. The Court held that *R. 3:13* encompasses the writings of any police officer in cases that are referred to the prosecutor's office. In effect, this means any case involving an indictable charge.

The remedy prescribed for the loss or destruction of law enforcement officers' notes prior to trial in such cases is that the defense may request an adverse inference charge regarding the missing notes. If such a charge is given, it is to be tailored to the facts of the case.

There are some caveats to the ruling. First, the ruling does not take effect for thirty days to allow for officer training. Second, the adverse inference charge is not automatic when notes are lost or destroyed. Where there is other evidence establishing the trustworthiness of a statement, an adverse inference charge may not be required. \_\_\_A.3d, at \_\_\_, 2011 WL 1573862, at 19 n.10 (citing *State v. P.S.*, 202 N.J. 232 (2010)). Third, the Court referred the matter to the Criminal Practice Committee to promulgate "any necessary clarification of the Rules." *Id.*, at 19.

Presumably, the Criminal Practice Committee will provide further guidance. In the meantime, the Camden County Prosecutor's Office will inform its investigators and municipal police departments of the ruling.

<sup>1</sup> As a result of *Cook*, *R. 3:17* now requires that custodial interrogations conducted in a place of detention during the investigation of specified serious indictable crimes must be electronically recorded unless one of several specified exceptions applies.

<sup>2</sup> The interview preceded implementation of *R. 3:17*.



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By Rosemary Alito



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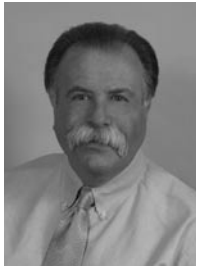
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## CAMARO



By Andrew Kushner

The first time I got a close up look at a Camaro Z28 was in the summer of 1969. I was employed as a head waiter at a camp in the Catskills and my roommate's older brother

drove in one morning with his orange convertible complete with wide white racing stripes, hood locks and a low pitched rumble that might have set the dinnerware tinkling in the dining hall. Speed without finesse was the pony car's *métier*, but to a not quite 18 year old that was quite all right. While Woodstock summer would coincidentally introduce me to the virtues of European cars via the stunning BMW 2002, low slung, V8 pony car coupes were still the Bomb. Assuming, of course that "the Bomb" might have referred to something other than an instrument of warfare, preceded by words such as "napalm" or "hydrogen," which it did not.

Decades passed and the pony car as a class—then a crowded field of Camaro, Firebird, Mustang, Charger, Challenger, and AMX—were winnowed to just the Camaro and Mustang. By the early part of this century, the Mustang stood alone. Then came the retro-renaissance, as almost every automobile company found something engaging, or more precisely profitable, in resurrecting old name plates. The Ford Thunderbird and VW Beetle were followed in quick succession by Jaguar's foray back to the 1960's with its S Type and XK, models that recalled their namesakes more for their sometimes abysmal build quality than did any other similarities.

Ford, to its credit, never gave up on its Mustang which rode on a 20+ year old platform until 2005 and which has been twice upgraded since. The Camaro, along with its sister Firebird, disappeared mid decade into this century. Since Pontiac has since been put out to pasture, the New GM's bowtie division had been working on a revised version of the Camaro hoping to rekindle the historic rivalry between it and the Mustang. While the design of the new car, appearing for the 2010 model year, would be retro, little else would relate it to its predecessor. GM chose to stylize the new Camaro based somewhat

loosely on its first generation before it was replaced in 1970 with a swoopy, curvaceous replacement that set the tone for the car for the remainder of its prior life. Chevy chose to mimic the original Camaro's clean cut, sharp lines, taking cues from the original to craft a car that recalls the past but which is very much more contemporary. While the look of a pony car—long hood and short rear deck—are fundamental to the new Camaro, it is the structure and mechanicals that determine the success or failure of the exercise. To that end, I can report that Chevrolet engineers have hit a home run on almost all points with this car.

Several months ago I had driven a Mustang V6 manual transmission and reported on my thoughts. I had hoped to do the same with the Camaro, sort of an informal comparison but alas; Elkins Chevrolet in Marlton did not have a car with that configuration. When Mike Montez at the dealership asked whether I wanted to drive a V6 automatic or a V8 six speed manual, my choice was clear: Give me the SS version and let's go for a ride. So on a particularly sunny, breezy Saturday he handed me the keys to a canary yellow SS Camaro and I slipped into the driver's seat with Mike riding shotgun.

Sometimes I am given a car to test drive alone by a dealer but Mike took the time to join me and that actually enhanced the experience for several reasons. First, having been in the car business with the Elkins organization for over 12 years, Mike knew his product well and was able to provide insight on the Camaro's features. Second, Mike's shock of white hair meant I didn't have a 25 year old bursting with enthusiasm but lacking in historical perspective and understanding of tradition. Read: two older gentlemen could speak in the same language of cultural reference! As we approached the car Mike asked me a simple but telling question: "You're not going to scare me on this drive are you?" I told him that I had intended to set his mind at ease but he got to the issue first. Although I wanted to test the car on more than just some highway or suburban streets, I would be respectful and gentle to both the vehicle and his sensibilities. While I had some concern that my aging unlimber body might have some difficulty in getting seated, I was pleasantly surprised that, despite the lowness of the car, entry and exit proved comfortable. I even asked Mike if

many old people like ourselves were buyers of the Camaro and he told me that in the first model year the average buyer age was late 50's to early 60's, more recently the trend, especially in the six cylinder model, has been younger and female.

The coupe that I drove was a well equipped example of the SS model with its 400 bhp V8 and six speed manual transmission. The model came standard with tons of features, the most interesting one to me showed up upon starting the engine. GM has used a "heads up" display for years in certain of its models. Patterned after aircraft technology the display presents a hologram of a digital speedometer wrapped by a tachometer in the mid distance allowing for the display to appear somewhere beyond the end of the hood in blue light. I had experienced this feature years ago when test driving a Pontiac Bonneville SSI and, at the time, thought it more of a gimmick than anything else and perhaps when mated with that car's underwhelming performance and chassis, there was little to cause concern when flicking one's eyes from windshield to dash when taking in speed information. Not so with the Camaro. With 400 horses under the hood and a slick six speed manual to express the power, not having to be distracted by basic speed information on the dash was a definite plus and I immediately took to the concept.

I took some time before starting out to familiarize myself with the interior and the controls. The idea of ergonomics has been touted for years as an important design feature of a car. While I agree, I have always thought that if you are driving the same car daily for years, the placement of controls is less of a factor in choosing a vehicle since habit will take care of any quirks. Having had to deal with oddities like the key placement to the left of the steering wheel in a Porsche and in the center console in the Saab, you really can get used to anything. I had no such quibbles with the Camaro. Every control was straight forward, save the HVAC system which was compacted into two side by side pods with outer rings for fan speed and temperature control with inner buttons to control other features. While I had to ask Mike to adjust the fan speed, that was more because I was concentrating on the drive than because I was confused by the configuration. The overall

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## ...In With The New

By Mike Madden

### Young Lawyer Corner

Sitting down to write my last article as YLC chair, I can only look back and laugh at the good times and extraordinary events of the past year. My term as YLC chair commenced with the Installation Dinner Dance, and I was extremely excited to serve with Bar President Linda Eynon. Throughout this year, Linda has been one of the YLC's strongest advocates and it was fantastic to have her support as we repeatedly ventured off our usual path to introduce new events and activities to the Bar. It was a pleasure serving with Linda and I look forward to continuing to work together on the "Big Bar" and with the Foundation.

The Bar and the YLC are only as strong as its members. Fortunately, Camden County has one of the best and strongest (and largest) bar associations in the State. This year our

YLC members worked tirelessly to introduce new events such as the Lobster Bake, which benefits the Larc School; CLE on Tap, which provides specific CLE credits for our newly admitted attorneys; a joint happy hour with the Burlington County Bar Association, which showcased the talented bowling skills of YLC member, Todd Unger (who bowled an incredible 214 including more turkeys than I could count); and dinner service at The Cathedral Kitchen in Camden, which the YLC assisted with on May 17th and will also assist with on July 13th. These events, coupled with hosting the Halloween and Easter parties at the Anna Sample House and our monthly happy hours, have indeed kept our members busy. Yet, no matter the occasion, our members repeatedly stepped up to ensure that not only was each event successful but to also guarantee that we all had fun making it happen. It truly was an awesome year!

And with such a strong membership, things in the YLC can only get better. On June 11th, Bill Cook will be installed as our next YLC chair. This year, Bill was my perfect wingman and always stepped up to spearhead new

events such as CLE on Tap. I'm certain that Bill will continue to expand our community impact over the course of the next year starting with our Second Annual Lobster Bake on September 10th. Get your tickets now!

Lastly, I would certainly be remiss if I did not mention one more time the benefits of the YLC for its members. Quite simply, it's a win-win. There are no downsides. As a new young attorney, you can only work under a partner for so long and at some point in time, you will have to do one thing they never mentioned in law school—generate business. The YLC provides that opportunity to meet other new attorneys. From your first meeting, the YLC will lead to referrals and ultimately friendships which will continue throughout your professional career. My message is simple—join and support the YLC. As the future of the Bar Association we are responsible for continuing one of the Bar's missions, to give back to those less fortunate in our community. So, come out, meet new friends, have a good time and make a difference. It's that easy.



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Planned as mid-week opportunity to relax with colleagues from the bench and bar while enjoying a two hour open bar and mouth-watering party fare, the event replaced the traditional Bench Bar Luncheon and offered the perfect atmosphere for a higher level of conversation and socializing between members of the Bench and Bar. By all accounts, the new format was a great success and enjoyed by all!



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## PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

by Linda W. Eynon

### To A Great Experience!

Summer is here and another year of our Bar Association comes to a close. I can not believe that my year as Bar President has come to an end and this is my last Barrister Article (at least as President of the Association). The year has certainly gone by very quickly; though I was warned it would! It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the 84th President of our great Bar Association and I am truly grateful for all the encouragement and support I have received from so many of you during my term. The support and commitment of our membership has enabled our Bar Association to remain one of the largest, most active and respected county Bar Associations in New Jersey.

I would like to thank the Executive committee, Lou Lessig, Brenda Eutsler, Gary Boguski, Casey Price, Jenifer Fowler and Mike Madden; as well as the Board Trustees, the Young Lawyer's Committee, the Committee Chairs and my "consigliere," for all their hard work and dedication to our Bar Association, making my job so much easier. Each and every one of you gave of your valuable time, going above and beyond what was asked; and it is through all of your efforts that this year has been such a success. Special thanks to Foundation President Joe McCormick for not only his hard work and tireless effort on behalf of the Foundation, making this a successful Foundation year; but for your support and friendship to me.

We accomplished a lot this year, adding to our signature events and seminars. Our CLE program expanded with more offerings, including the addition of *CLE on Tap* for newly admitted attorneys and the CLE On-line, to meet the needs of our membership for mandatory CLE. The CCBA entered the age of social media with a blog, refining our Facebook page, and joining Twitter! In lieu of the annual Bench-Bar luncheon, we had the first *Cocktails and Conversation, Bench-Bar Cocktail Party*, which, based on your feedback, was a big success and certainly worth continuing. The Young Lawyer's Committee held the first Lobster Bake, to benefit the Larc School, which generated more excitement and enthusiasm, from both the organizers and participants, than I have seen in a number of years. The Foundation Tasting Event was also a great addition. More importantly, the attendance at all of our

events and CLE programs was up, and this is thanks to all of you, the members.

I would also like to thank the Federal and State Judges in Camden County, and in particular Judge Orlando, together with Judge Brown, Judge Colalillo, Judge Fernandez-Vina and Judge Rand, for their support of the Bar Association. Your open door policies, together with your valuable input, have made the relationship between the Bench and the Bar even stronger.

Finally, I would like to thank our Bar Association staff, Denise Wybark, Kathy Caira and the newest member of our team, Kathy DelPrato. Your hard work, dedication and spirit are what make this Bar Association run so well. And a very special thanks goes to our Executive Director, who has been a good friend for a long time. I have relied on your good humor, sensibility and judgment throughout this year. The success of the Bar Association, and in particular, this year, is due in no small part to all of you.



I leave our Bar Association in the very capable hands of Lou Lessig. Our biggest challenge will continue to be maintaining our relevance and worth to all our members. I know that Lou is up for that challenge and will continue the successes we have had over the years, positioning the CCBA to be well-suited for the future.

Though the summer is upon us, and the Bar year winding down, please remember that the CCBA does not really close, and June is an active month. We have the Annual Children's Picnic on June 4th, the Installation Dinner Dance on June 11th at the Aquarium and the Bar Outing with the Burlington County Bar Association at the Flying W on June 17th. I hope to see many of you at these events.

This has truly been a great experience for me and I want to thank all of you for a wonderful year. Have a great summer.

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## GET INVOLVED IN A COMMITTEE.

# WINE & FOOD

By Jim Hamilton

If those 80+ degree days we weathered in April are a harbinger, we may be experiencing another summer that will fuel further talk of global warming, advance the melting of glaciers at a non-glacial pace and cause red wine drinkers to sweat at the barbecue to cook up fare that justifies opening something other than a cool white or rosé wine. Let's face it, even when one's exposure to the uncontrolled climate is brief, there is something refreshing about pulling the cork on a chilled bottle of wine to accompany meals that often are less robust than those enjoyed in the shadow of a flickering fire.

Whether your desire to quench a thirst is inspired by a hard day at work or a long walk on the beach, summer is here and the time is right for white. So, let's explore some prospects for you to hunt down and, fingers crossed, find at a price that won't be hard to swallow.

When most people think of buying a white Burgundy wine they usually are planning to splurge on a reference point Chardonnay,

perhaps a Meursault or Pulligny Montrachet. For many wine fans, Burgundy is hallowed ground, where Chardonnay or Pinot Noir grapes convey "terroir" like no other place can or will. Detractors complain that white Burgundy easily oxidizes, causing the wines to age prematurely, or that red Burgundy wines disappoint more than they deliver on the promised complexity that justified the wine's cost. Rarely included in the debate is the other white grape of Burgundy, Aligoté. The varietal is not well known, and certainly is not, nor does it pretend to be, as "serious" a grape as Chardonnay. However, as the **2009 Louis Chevalier Aligoté** reveals, wines made from this grape can be delightful, with a crisp delivery of a fruit that is decidedly spicy. There are some clean citric and green melon notes that mingle with subtle fennel and allspice undercurrents to create the impression that, if not complex, the wine

offers nuances more than sufficient to gain and keep one's interest.

If you really must have a Chardonnay from Burgundy, but are not inclined to spend as much as producers from the hallowed ground of the Côte d'Or command, you may want to set your sights on a part of the Burgundy appellation that caters to those who are more or less discriminating, depending on one's perspective. St. Veran is located in the southern reaches of the Burgundy wine region, in the area known as the Maconnais, from which the somewhat well known wines of Pouilly Fuissé hale. Lacking the pedigree to command higher prices, St. Veran can offer a white Burgundy experience at very affordable prices. One such wine to consider is **2009 Domaine du Chalet Pouilly St. Veran**. This wine offers nice weighty fruit that leans toward lime and quince, with a nicely textured mouth feel that comes across as clean and lively. It is a Chardonnay with character and without the "heat" (from alcohol) or the excessive oak treatment one can find in many New World versions of this varietal.

While straying off the beaten track can be an adventure, sometimes certainly a misadventure, very often one will be rewarded with a wine discovery. While many people find comfort in buying what they know, or choosing a wine made from one of the more popular grape varieties, branding can come at a price and grape growers generally receive more money for the well regarded grape varieties which, in turn, tends to translate into a higher price for the finished product. Clearly



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## LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT

# Firm Mergers and Lateral Acquisitions

## A Due Diligence Primer



by Joel A. Rose

### Part 2 of 2

In Part 1 of our 2-part article series, we examined the significant differences and potential benefits of firm mergers and lateral acquisitions, and steps firms may take to avoid some of these landmines when considering entering into a business marriage.

### Due Diligence Issues— for the Acquiring Firm

An acquisition/merger is a methodology employed to assist the participants to achieve some of their immediate and longer-term objectives. To merge with/acquire an attorney or group of attorneys is typically not the answer to resolve problems. A thorough evaluation should be made by the partners of a firm desirous of merging with/acquiring another firm to assess the need for the merger/acquisition.

This evaluation calls for the partners to first assess their firm's strengths and weaknesses. The firm should develop a matrix of its attorneys and depth and breadth of its expertise. The firm's client base and financial health need to be analyzed. If the result of this evaluation is affirmative, the former partners need to perform research to identify, apply logical thinking and a detailed evaluation of possible candidates.

For a merger/acquisition to be successful, a level of synergism should exist between the acquiring candidate attorney(s). Each of the parties should realize some benefits. The relationship must be more than a combination of two firms.

One of the most serious problems that may damage irreparably the successful integration of an acquisition/merger candidate is unfulfilled expectations based upon pre-acquisition/merger commitments by either of the parties. Below are a number of suggested areas in which appropriate due diligence should be performed by the acquiring firm:

#### 1. Reasons for Leaving Firm

Although it may appear to be obvious, why is an individual or group of attorney candidates leaving their present firm? Considering all that you may know about the practice of law, how comfortable are you with the articulated reasons?

#### 2. Practice Area and Client Base

The candidate's practice area(s) and client base need to be analyzed. Who are the candidate's clients—by name and by industry? It has been the author's experience that a candidate may be a risky choice if one particular client accounts for more than 15 percent of that candidate's gross revenue. Will clients follow the candidate when he or she changes firms? What are their annual billings?

#### 3. Candidate's Financial Profile

Financial data and management information about a candidate are usually available though partners often focus only on the current year, especially if it is profitable. A candidate's three-year track record should be reviewed to discern trends in their financial profile. What are the candidate's total and aged accounts receivable? Have these amounts increased or decreased for each of the last three years? How much of the candidate's recorded time does he or she usually write down or off? How much new business has the candidate generated within the last three years? How much repeat business has the candidate generated within the last three years?

#### 4. Financial Health of the Candidate's Key Clients

The financial health of the candidate's key and continuing clients is important to know. Has the candidate's practice from these clients grown or declined? Have the amounts of work in process and accounts receivable from these clients been increasing, leveling or declining? What is the economic future of the candidate's practice area from these ongoing clients? What is the economic future of the candidate's key clients?

#### 5. Candidate's Personal Background

To the extent feasible, the larger firm should check the candidate's personal and professional background. Does the candidate have the credentials listed on his or her resume? Does the candidate possess the actual experience that he or she purports to have? Are there any pending, known complaints or proceedings against the candidate? Is the candidate aware of any ongoing investigations involving himself or herself?

#### Appraising Gains

It has been possible for the author's management consulting firm, at a relatively

early stage, to develop information on the organizational and economic strengths and weaknesses of the acquiring firm and the candidate. It is also possible to provide projections, as the merger study proceeds, of the probable gains in income, expenses, and organizational aspects of the proposed acquisition/merger.

#### Internal Communication

Needless to say, as soon as it becomes apparent that the merger will happen, communication to all concerned members of the organization should be made on a continuing basis. Such actions as those concerned with space, equipment, systems, organization, committees, file control, and many others are of interest to almost all members of the enlarged organization.

Lawyers and non-lawyers may unwarrantedly assume that the purpose of the merger is to consolidate positions or eliminate "deadwood," which will result in the discharge of personnel. There generally will be personnel gains, and more effectiveness in the merged firm's operations. Generally, a growth probability is part of the merger action and experienced personnel are needed to handle the energized organization.

#### Time to Accomplish

All of this process takes time. The ordering of special equipment, the construction of appropriate quarters, the design and purchase of necessary forms, stationery and announcements, the drafting of new agreements, and the problem of client notification and notice to members of the bar, needs a carefully crafted timetable. A merger of well established forces can be accomplished generally within three to six months, and most find that many aspects of the merger take place gradually during this period.

The benefits from a well-organized merger can often be apparent even before the physical merger is consummated. Again, for an increasing number of individual or groups of attorneys, this may be the only way to accomplish their professional and organizational goals and their desired continuity of existence.

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## VERDICTS IN THE COURT

### Superior Court of New Jersey

VERDICT: Favor of Plaintiff \$6500 (3/29/11)  
Case Type: Auto  
Judge: Robert G. Millenky, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Joseph Manaco, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: George Amacker, Esq.  
L-1819-09 Jury

VERDICT: Damage Verdict \$0 (4/6/11)  
Case Type: Auto  
Judge: Steven M. Holden, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty(s): Kevin Jantos, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Lori Tilghman, Esq.  
L-5993-08 Jury

VERDICT: No Cause (4/7/11)  
Case Type: Auto  
Judge: Robert Millenky, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Michael Figueroa, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Laurie Tilghman, Esq.  
L-1811-09 Jury (6)

VERDICT: No Cause (4/12/11)  
Case Type: Auto Liability  
Judge: John A. Fratto, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Eric Shore, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Michael Jubanyik, Esq.  
L-4510-07 Jury

VERDICT: Liability Verdict: 100% Against Defendant  
Damage Verdict: \$100,000 Against Defendant (4/12/11)  
Case Type: Auto Negligence  
Judge: Deborah Silverman Katz, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Nicholas Trabosh, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Thomas Murphy, Esq.  
L-5661-08 Jury

VERDICT: No Cause (4/13/11)  
Case Type: Auto  
Judge: J. A. Fratto, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Jerry Friedman, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Pina Vricella, Esq.  
L-5483-08 Jury

VERDICT: Liability 100% Against Defendant, Damage Verdict: \$350,000 Against Defendant (4/14/11)  
Case Type: UM/UM  
Judge: Frederick J. Schuck, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Joel Rosenberg, Esq. & Deborah Dunn, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Thomas F. McGuane, Esq.  
L-4675-08 Jury

VERDICT: Liability Verdict: In Favor of Defendant (4/19/11)  
Case Type: Foreclosure  
Judge: Mary Eva Colalillo, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Adam Greenberg, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Joseph Pinto, Esq.  
F-18369-07 Bench

VERDICT: No Cause Liability Verdict: 70% Against Defendant, 30% Against Jorge Valquez (4/26/11)  
Case Type: Auto Negligence  
Judge: Deborah Silverman Katz, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Jason N. Sunkett, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Charles Blumenstein, Esq.  
L-6146-08 Jury

VERDICT: No Cause (4/26/11)  
Case Type: Medical Malpractice  
Judge: Frederick J. Schuck, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: John Trotman, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Tom Walsh, Esq.  
L-972-07 Jury

VERDICT: Liability Verdict: 100% Against Defendant, Damage Verdict: \$365,000 Against Defendant (4/27/11)  
Case Type: Medical Malpractice - Professional  
Judge: Michael J. Kassel, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Jennifer Troast, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Thomas Reynolds, Esq.  
L-7004-06 Jury

VERDICT: No Cause (4/28/11)  
Case Type: Personal Injury  
Judge: Steven M. Holden, J.S.C.  
Plaintiff's Atty: Robert Hensler, Esq.  
Defendant's Atty: Laurie Tilghman, Esq.  
L-1694-08 Jury

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## Wine & Food

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a varietal with which many won't be familiar is Grechetto, a white grape having family ties to the only slightly better known Greco di Tufo. The origins are said to be Greek (hence the name), and as can happen, particularly in Italy where this grape is grown, it may be called something different depending on the region (Pignoletto in Emilia-Romagna, for example). I very much enjoyed the extremely affordable **2009 Sportoletti Assisi Bianco Grechetto** I recently tasted (along with the above two wines) at a tasting presented by the distributor, Sherbrooke Cellars. Sportoletti is a well regarded estate that employs the wine making services of superstar consultant, Riccardo Cotarella, whose home property of Falesco is familiar to many. Riccardo does not have to travel far from his Umbrian home base to make this wine, and you won't have to dig very deep into your pocket to buy it. The wine is a real fruit compote, a mélange of white grapes, green apples, white peach fruit and ripe melon, all held together by an expansive texture.

If the Grechetto grape is not far enough afield from the Pinot Grigios or Sauvignon Blancs you are inclined to buy to seem adventurous, a producer I recently met and whose wines I tasted offers a grape variety that may be even more obscure. Perhaps to connect with consumers more familiar with the term as applied to tomatoes, it is becoming popular to refer to older grape varieties saved from extinction that now are being grown as

"heirlooms." Indeed, the Greco di Tufo grown in Italy's Campania region is one such grape. Another from that same region is Coda di Volpe. **2010 Ocone Coda di Volpe Taburno**



is an engaging wine, drawing immediate attention with a nose that features anise and white flowers. The same impression follows through on the palate, offering an unadorned

but very distinctive and flavorful wine.

A Spring tasting hosted by the German Wine Society gathered a number of winemakers represented by importer Derek Vinnecombe, among them Karin Fischer, whose winery is Dr. Fischer. A value standout at this event was the **2007 Dr. Fischer Steinbock Riesling**. For those of you who avoid German Rieslings because you find them too sweet, you may want to try this wine. It evidences little perceptible residual sugar, a dry impression that is enhanced by the steely, mineral qualities for which wines from the Saar region of Germany are known. The wine offers stone fruit impressions, with peach pit and barely ripe pear leading the way but clearly escorted by slate and a gentle touch of Riesling petrol. It will be a fine match for a variety of foods one serves during the dog days of summer.

To close with a domestic wine from a relatively new winery, **2009 Teira Wines Sauvignon Blanc Estate Vineyard** is one of those Sauvignon Blancs made for people who really prefer Chardonnay. In other words, this wine steers wide of the grassy, boxwood style often exhibited by New Zealand Sauvignon Blancs. Instead, it is a soft, creamy style that imposes little of the assertiveness this grape variety can present, opting for gently ripe apple styled fruit.

Wherever you may be going and whatever you may choose to drink, I hope your summer is enjoyable and fulfilling.

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# Back in the Day

By Richard Hyland

When I gather with some seniors we often reminisce about the “characters” we knew in earlier days. For instance, Judge Ed Menetti was the funniest attorney, if not person I ever met. He possessed an outrageous and insightful wit with which he used to mock judges, lawyers and even himself. When up for renomination, he had to appear before the august and intimidating State Bar Committee and was asked why he had never written any opinions. Not a scholarly judge, he audaciously replied that his mother had told him “to always keep his opinions to himself.”

There are enough Menetti anecdotes to fill several articles, but for now I’ll mention some other lawyers, knowing that there are some like Ed Segal, Bill Gottschalk and Gene Haberle I’m overlooking.

Angelo Malandra was a politician as well, and started his practice in the Depression. He had to put up with wardheelers and other political types seeking free advice. To discourage them, he obtained a taxi-cab fare meter, put it in a prominent place on his desk, and set it to his hourly rate. When the “client” began asking questions, Ange started the meter and as the amount totaled up the guy got “bug-eyed” and the interview was over. However, he was quite big-hearted and when there was a 50-50 raffle at a Bar meeting he would buy fistfuls of tickets and go table to table passing them out to the younger members.

Joe Sherman was a competent and dedicated criminal defense attorney.



When he went to Court, his files were little notes he kept in his coat pockets. In one mix-up, while urging the Court not to impose a harsh sentence on his client for a rape conviction, the defendant frantically pulled on Joe’s jacket to remind him the charge was only for shoplifting.

Frank Lario Sr. (his son was our esteemed Superior Court Judge) was a legend in the Italian-American community and as Menetti noted, the only lawyer who regularly made “house calls.” His trial tactic was to extract the most minute information from witnesses which would stretch out the proceedings to the extent that one Municipal Court Judge would only schedule his cases for 11 pm so as not to tie up the other lawyers that evening. He was also very warm-hearted and treated all the kids in the towns he represented to a day at Shibe Park to see the Phillies. As a result, I attended my first major league game and remember being awe-struck by the beauty of the grass and park which I never forgot, as well as a great leaping catch by 2nd baseman Emil Verban who they could sure use now. Thank you Frank Lario! R.I.P.

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**SPINNING MY WHEELS****CAMARO**

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look of the Camaro's interior is well thought out and the materials are of good quality, save for the plastic door inserts which, for some reason, didn't seem to meld with the car. A small objection, to be sure.

As we drove onto somewhat crowded Route 73 afternoon traffic I needed a couple of shifts to get used to the on-off operation of the clutch but that was a simple adjustment. What I had forgotten though was the sound of a V8 accelerating through dual exhausts where the maker had no intention of completely masking the symphony. That is not to say that the engine and exhaust were intrusive. To the contrary, Mike pointed out that the insulation and acoustic glass (what is that?) conspired to take the hard edge off of the V8's roar. It works magnificently. From the busy Route 73 traffic I asked if I could turn off to a back road that I knew and I took a left at the intersection. I wanted to see if I was comfortable on a narrow, barely two lane road while getting the speed up. It is one thing to drive a car, any car, on wide, smooth asphalt. Almost any car today will demonstrate good manners. When the road turns twisty, narrow and crowned, without a shoulder however, that is a completely different story. My relatively short drive through the twisty bits surprised me. Here was a fairly large car that seemed smaller in feel and which soaked up the many road imperfections without complaint. I pushed the speed up into the 50+ mph on the short straight lengths and backed off a little on blind curves. No drama, no tire squeal and no white knuckled passenger. We conversed calmly and all the while my engine speed and rpm were displayed just over the hood in my direct line of sight. I could get used to this. Some credit has to come to the independent rear coil over suspension. Ford, on the other hand retains its traditional "live axle" rear suspension, probably due to cost savings despite its statement that it's what their buyers expect!

So what are the downside issues with this car? Really, not much. Gas mileage in the age of swiftly approaching \$5/gallon is 16/24. Not spectacular but ultimately the laws of physics control and you can't get 400 useable horsepower and expect the engine to sip the juice. If that is a concern, check out the Chevy Volt also available at Elkins. Next, this is a 2+2, and if you need a family hauler, look elsewhere. The trunk, while sporting only 11.3 cubic feet is nicely sized and more than adequate, considering. The trunk opening was somewhat strangely and restrictively shaped but, again, this ain't the reason you are buying this car. GM also clings to OnStar for it's in car guidance, instead of the more traditional (and expensive) map display navigation but that may change also in the next model year. With a list price of just over \$38,000 the Camaro SS is quite the performance bargain.

As I am about to enter my seventh decade, the lure of nostalgia for the old days remains strong. Sometimes, however, when nostalgia meets reality it results in the equivalent of cold water splashed on your face. Not so with the new Camaro. It is a civilized and livable daily driver that provides all the excitement and performance that one could expect at a fair price.

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At Blank Rome, Mr. Orlofsky leads the Firm's appellate practice and is the administrative partner of Blank Rome's Princeton office. He concentrates his practice in the areas of complex litigation and alternative dispute resolution, providing counsel to clients throughout the U.S. in federal and state civil and criminal courts, both at the appellate and trial level.

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**Darth Newman** has joined Archer & Greiner PC as an Associate in the Litigation Department in the firm's Haddonfield office, where he will concentrate on commercial litigation. Mr. Newman's practice encompasses all aspects of commercial litigation. His experience spans a broad range of complex commercial cases.

Mr. Newman earned his B.A. in Economics and Political Science from the University of Michigan, graduating with distinction and his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He interned with the Honorable Judge Robert B. Kugler of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey and with the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office.

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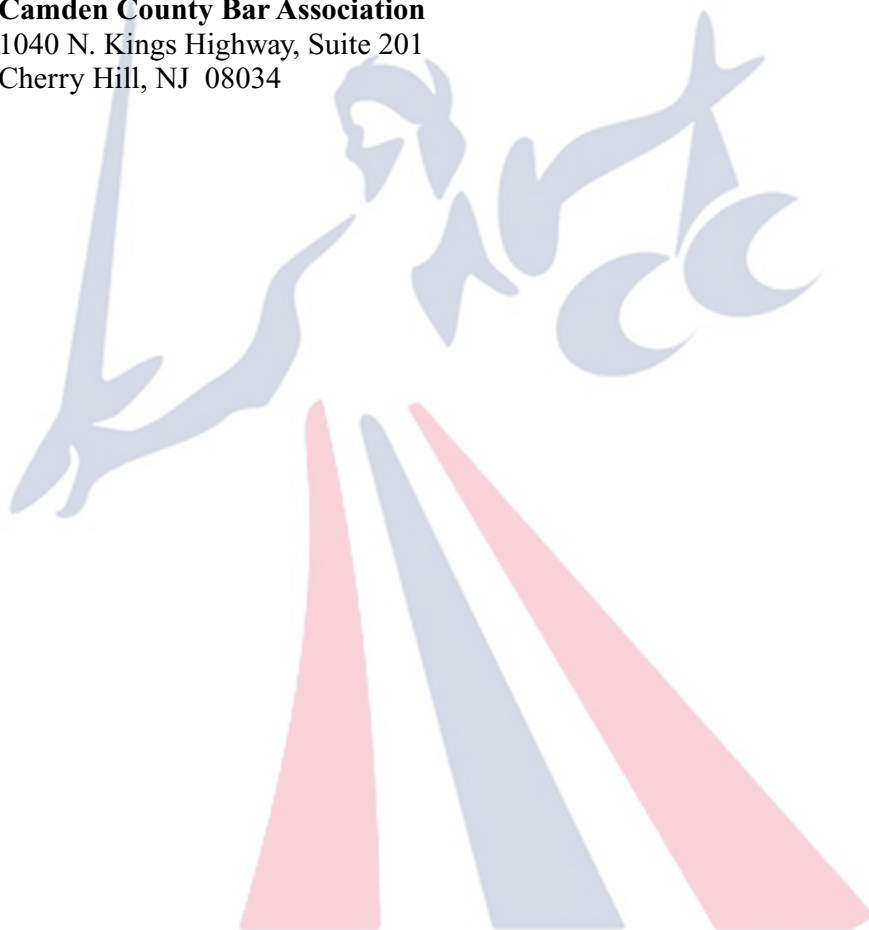
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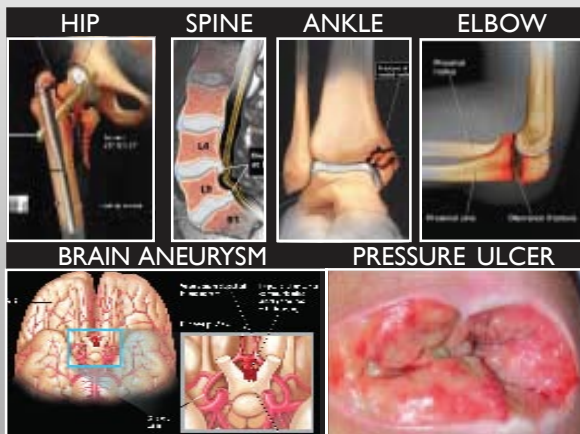


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