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GENERAL MEETING JOINT MEETING OF BROWARD COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION, NORTH BROWARD BAR AND SOUTH BROWARD BAR NOVEMBER 13, 1974

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Cocktails — 6:30 P.M. (cash bar) Dinner — 6:30 P.M. \$10.00

PROGRAM: Recognition & Honor

Broward County Bar Association will honor all attorneys who have been practicing law in Broward County, Florida for 35 years or more. J. B. "Pat" Patterson will be Master of Ceremonies, and a night of fun is planned. Please make your reservations **today** for this night of entertainment and recognition. Bring your Law Partner or Associate.

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November 21, 1974

12:00 Noon

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YOUNG LAWYERS' SECTION

BROWARD COUNTY TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Wednesday, December 6, 1974

5:00 p.m. Case Evaluation Committee and Trial Clinic (bring your cases and questions)

6:30 p.m. Cash Bar

7:00 p.m. Dinner - \$10.00

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OPEN HOUSE

LEGAL AID SERVICE OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

All members of the Broward County Bar Association are cordially invited to attend the Open House of the Legal Aid Service of Broward County, Inc., on November 21, 1974 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at 735 N.E. Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. You are urged to inspect the facilities of this Service, for which the Bar has worked so long and diligently to obtain for the needy of Broward County. This is your invitation!

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FLORIDA DESIGNATION PLAN

The Board of Governors of The Florida Bar approved the Florida Designation Plan at its last meeting on September 28, 1974. The Plan is published for your information.

I. AREAS OF LEGAL PRACTICE

Every area of legal practice which may be designated shall, prior to any use, be approved by The Florida Bar Board of Governors. Attached hereto as Schedule A is a list of the areas approved to date.

The Board of Governors may from time to time amend that list.

In the event a lawyer desires to use a designation not previously approved, he shall so indicate in his application submitted under Paragraph IIB hereof, and the Board of Governors shall thereafter either approve or reject such designation.

All designations shall be of a generally accepted area of legal practice, including general practice, and shall be phrased in a dignified and professional manner.

II. PROCEDURE AND EFFECT

- A. After compliance with the provisions hereof, a lawyer may publicly designate not more than three areas of law in which he practices.
- B. The lawyer shall first obtain approval of The Florida Bar by filing an application for eligibility, stating:
- 1. That he is a member of the Florida Bar.
- 2. That he has been engaged in the practice of law for at least three years.

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- 3. That during the three years next preceding his application he has had substantial experience within each area of legal practice designated in his application.
- 4. That if he does not meet the requirements of IIB.2. or 3., there are extenuating circumstances (set out in full detail) which should give basis to the Board of Governors administering the plan to waive the requirements of IIB.2. or 3. in his case.
- 5. That he will earnestly continue his legal education in each designated area through conscientious reading and research and through continuing legal educational programs or by some other method approved by The Florida Bar, so as to insure his continued proficiency in each area of legal practice designated in his application.
- C. Each application, regardless of the number of areas designated, shall be accompanied by a fee to be established by the Board of Governors, such fee not to exceed \$40, which fee shall be placed in a segregated account of The Florida Bar and used exclusively for purposes related to this program.
- D. Each application shall be promptly considered and acted upon by The Florida Bar and notice of the action shall be promptly furnished to the appli-
- E. The Florida Bar shall maintain a list of applicants, showing the date and disposition of each application acted upon, and in the event of approval, shall furnish the applicant with a letter granting him permission to list his designated area of practice.
- F. Upon being notifed as provided in IIE., an attorney may inform the public and other lawyers of such designated area or areas in which he practices by any or all of the following means: letterhead, business cards, office door, telephone directory, approved law lists, and such other media as The Florida Bar shall from time to time approve. All designations shall be dignified and taste-

The designation of areas of practice shall be accomplished only by naming the area of practice without the addition of any descriptive phrase or word, such as "areas of practice, practice limited to, specializing in," or words of like import, that is, "John J. Jones, Admiralty and Trial Practice." Two types of listing shall be permissible: an alphabetical list and a list by area of practice. In the alphabetical listing there shall be included the lawyer's name, address and telephone number, and the designated areas of practice. In the categorical listing the designated area of practice shall be listed alphabetically and a listing of attorneys

thereunder shall state only the lawyer's name, address and telephone number. No firm in the yellow pages may list any area of practice, but may only list the name, address and telephone number of the firm. Yellow page listings may be alphabetical and also by designated area of specialty. No areas of practice shall be designated in the white pages of the telephone directories.

G. No firm of two or more attorneys may inform the public that it practices in any designated area. However, excepting in the firm listing in the telephone directories, a firm may list next to the name of a firm member the areas in which that firm member has a certificate of approval.

H. Neither an attorney who designates an area of practice hereunder, nor an attorney who does not participate in the program at all, shall be precluded from practicing in any area of legal practice whatsoever.

III. DURATION AND RENEWAL

A. Permission to designate areas of practice shall continue in effect for a period of three years from date of issuance. Six months prior to the expiration date, The Florida Bar shall give the attorney notice that such permission must be renewed. Permission to designate areas of practice may be renewed by filing a renewal application containing the data required for an original application, plus the detailed schedule of the education received by the applicant during the effectiveness of the immediately preceding letter of permission in each designated area for which renewal is sought.

B. To renew his permission for designation of areas of practice, the applicant must demonstrate to the satisfaction of The Florida Bar, at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of his certificate, that during the preceding three-year period, he has devoted at least thirty hours in furtherance of his education in each designated area for which renewal is sought. The nature and method of said education must be acceptable to

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The Florida Bar, and a current schedule of acceptable educational alternatives shall be maintained at all times by The Florida Bar. The Florida Bar shall inform the applicant for renewal of the action taken on the application within 30 days after receipt of said application.

To implement the determination as to what educational links must be attained, a special committee shall be empowered to investigate this and shall report their recommendations to the Board of Governors. The special committee shall be composed of eight members appointed by the President of The Florida Bar subject to the approval of the Board of Governors on the recommendation of the chairman of the Continuing Legal Education Committee. The President of The Florida Bar shall designate one of the members of the special committee to be its chairman.

IV. PUBLIC NOTICE

A. The Florida Bar may cause a public notice to be promulgated where and when it deems necessary, including, for example, telephone directory yellow pages, in substantially the following form:

NOTICE

For the General Information of the Public

Attorneys who have practiced for three years or more and who, during the immediately preceding three years, have had substantial experience in a designated area of legal practice are permitted, if they so desire, to inform the public of not more than three areas of the law in which they practice.

**Such listing DOES NOT MEAN that such attorney has been certified as an "expert" in such field of law.

**Neither does it mean that such attorney is necessarily any more expert or competent than any other attorney.

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B. The Florida Bar shall assume no liability to any parties whomsoever by reason of the adoption and implementation of the plan.

V. SCOPE

The standards and provisions hereof are intended as initial standards and
provisions appropriate for immediate
adoption, and are not intended to preclude modification, expansion or termination of the program at any time experience so indicates. Standards of education and experience will be periodically reviewed and upgraded where necessary. To insure proper monitoring, the
plan and all operations thereunder shall
be reviewed regularly by the Board of
Governors.

VI. ADMINISTRATION

All matters of administration will be determined by the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar.

SCHEDULE A

Admiralty Appelate Practice Antitrust Bankruptcy Corporation and Business Law Criminal Law Estate Planning and Administration Family Law International Law Environmental Law Consumer Law Labor Law Patent, Trademark and Copyright Real Propery Law Taxation Trial Practice Workmen's Compensation Administrative and Governmental Law General Practice Negligence and Personal Injury



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A new joint committee of attorneys and realtors has been appointed to prepare a revised contract that hopefully will be even better than the present one. This committee is soliciting suggested changes from both attorneys and realtors.

Please send any suggested changes, additions, deletions or just plain comments and ideas to Wallace W. Kennedy, Suite 402, Gibraltar Tower, 2929 East Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

Schedule of Fees For Court Reporters Administrative Order F-65 Seventeenth Judicial Circuit

By majority vote of the Circuit Judges of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in accordance with Rule 1.035(b) of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, the following Schedule of Fees will be charged by court reporters of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit effective November 1, 1974.

RATES FOR MATTERS TAKEN OR ORDERED ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 1974 IN THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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SCHEDULE OF NON-COURTHOUSE HEARINGS — CIRCUIT COURT

Date		Pompano	Hollywood
Nov.	5	Judge Tedder	Judge Booher
Nov.	12	Judge Richardson	Judge Weissing
Nov.	19	Judge Gonzalez	Judge LaMotte
Nov.	26	Judge Booher	Judge Franza
Dec.	3	Judge Johnson	Judge Seay
Dec.	10	Judge Hare	Judge Ferris
Dec.	17	Judge Moe	Judge Fischer



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It is the hope of the Trustees that the fund be large enough to grant an award of one scholarship each year to each high school in Broward County. If we reach our goal of \$100,000 it will be possible next fall (1975) to grant twoyear scholarships again to all high schools in Broward County. At the present time the trust has \$58,000. Our estimated income from a golf tournament is \$12,000 which means from outside sources we need to raise \$23,000. Whatever you give will be appreciated and is tax deductible. As you know, all grants are made from interest and the principal or corpus of the trust cannot be used.

The second James F. Minnet, Jr. Scholarship Tournament will be held February, 1975, at Woodlands Country Club. It will be a best ball foursome shotgun and those desiring may choose their own foursome.

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