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## GENERAL MEETING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1977

### JOINT MEETING WITH YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION

Cocktails: 6:30 P.M. (Cash Bar) — — Dinner: 7:15 P.M.

— \$11.00 —

PIER 66, SUITE 66. (This is the room over the Panorama Room on the Intracoastal)

**Speaker: BARRY RICHARD.** Mr. Richard is a candidate for Attorney General for the State of Florida. He was elected to the Florida Legislature in 1974 and is currently serving as Vice Chairman of the House Criminal Justice Committee. He is also a member of the Judiciary and Elections Committees.

The December 15, 1977, meeting will be presented by E. Clay Shaw and Bruce Randall on the pornographic problem of the area.

♦ Please use the enclosed card for reservations. ♦

### OPERATION: UPDATE/TRANSITION

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**November 16, 1977**

— 4:30 P.M. —

Trial Practice Under the Revised  
No-Fault Statutes

by **Wilton L. Strickland**, —

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Rules of Procedure of the Medical  
Mediation Panel

by **Fred Jay Berman** —

Berman, Simons & Schlesinger

Broward County Courthouse  
Room 250

**December 21, 1977**

"Use of and Examination of  
Expert Witness"

Speakers to be Announced

(\$1.00 printing donation requested)

### Young Lawyers Section News

Board of Governors' representatives from Broward County were sworn in on June 17, 1977, at the annual Florida Bar Convention held at Innisbrook, Florida. The three members from Broward County who were elected earlier this year are, Michael J. Mc Nerney, Bruce A. Weihe and James B. Davis. They will serve on the Board of Governors for the 1977-1978 year.

A. J. Barranco, Jr., of Miami, is the President of The Young Lawyers Board of Governors for the current year, and John W. Frost, II, of Bartow, is the Present-elect for the forthcoming year.

The Florida Young Lawyers Association Board of Governors assists the senior Board of Governors of the Florida Bar in coordinating various public service projects, but also sponsors many worthwhile projects on their own, such as The Young Lawyers Seminar held several times each year to familiarize newly admitted attorneys with the basic facets of practice which would otherwise only be learned by actual practice. In the past, this three day Seminar has been twice annually at various locations. The first Seminar held in Miami and Tampa, September 26, 27 and 28.

Another project to which The Young Lawyers Board of Governors has addressed itself is the Omnibus Judgeship Bill currently pending in the U.S. Congress which would reduce the number of judges for the Florida Federal Courts. The Florida Bar has gone on record as opposing this reduction in the number of new judges, and The Young Lawyers Board of Governors has undertaken a letter-writing campaign to support the Florida Bar's petition.

It is also expected that The Young Lawyers Board of Governors will add valuable input to the regular Board of Governors in the area of legal advertising as a result of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision on this matter.

Any individuals who are interested in either serving on Committees in areas of particular interest, or who have comments or suggestions, are urged to contact any one of his Broward County representatives for further information.

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### PLACEMENT SERVICE

Placement services are available through the Broward County Bar Association Office. Law firms who are seeking applicants for employment are encouraged to register with the Bar office. The request for applicants will be hand-

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dled on a confidential basis if so requested. If confidentiality is requested, the law firm will be called and given the name of the applicant and other information desired. Applicants are likewise encouraged to contact the Bar Association office. Please notify the Bar office when a position has been filled and all information given the Bar office must be renewed every 90 days.

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**Nova Law School's  
Legal Writing Program**

By Cheryl R. Eisen

For the past two years we have been fortunate in receiving overwhelming response to our request for volunteers to teach the writing portion of our Legal Research Course. Again this year our freshman class of approximately 200 students will be embarking on this course. Ideally, we should have one instructor for every ten students, a goal we more than reached last year.

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**Public Relations Committee**

The members of the Public Relations Committee have planned public forums that will be co-sponsored with the Fort Lauderdale News. The first forum will be held on November 9, 1977, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., at Stranahan High School and the Topic will be "Condominium and Co-operative Law." The second one is scheduled for December 7, 1977, same location and time and the topic is "Your Rights and The Law." Elliott Barnett, Joseph Varon and David Bogenschutz are among the speakers.

Members of the Committee are John Hume, Chairman, Thomas Johnston, John DiChiara, David Kahn, Merle Litman, George Naze, Arthur Parkhurst, Bruce Weihe and Maurice Rhinehardt.

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**Fee Arbitration Committee**

The Fee Arbitration Program of Broward County Bar Association has been implemented. The Rules were approved last year and the committee has formulated forms and administrative procedures to be followed.

The committee members are appointed and must have been in practice for five years.

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Anyone who is eligible and willing to serve on the Committee should call Norma Howard at the Bar Association office, 764-8040, so that a list of eligible members may be available to the President, President-Elect and Committee Chairman.

Carl Schuster, Chairman  
Fee Arbitration Committee

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### The Image of the Lawyer

The image of the lawyer in the eye of the public is a matter of concern to all attorneys. It appears that the public view of the lawyer is very bad, and it is hard to accept this because it is very difficult to reconcile the adverse public opinion with the fact that lawyers probably donate more pro bono time to public service than do any members of any other profession.

Perhaps part of the problem lies in a lack of communication between the Bar and the public and within the profession.

The public does not know what lawyers actually do. Most of the time, the public thinks of lawyers as a group of professionals who charge extraordinary fees for somewhat routine services. Even many lawyers do not know what public services are being performed by the Association and by other lawyers. Thus, the lack of communication among members of the profession and between the public and the profession is a major concern.

It is easy to conclude that in many instances lawyers do a rather mediocre job of public relations with their own

clients. Many complaints result from failure by lawyers to take time to instill within the client an attitude of trust, confidence and esteem for the lawyer. Lawyers should realize that client dissatisfaction occurs when the lawyer fails to return telephone calls promptly, fails to keep clients informed as to the progress of the case and fails to explain to the client what he is doing.

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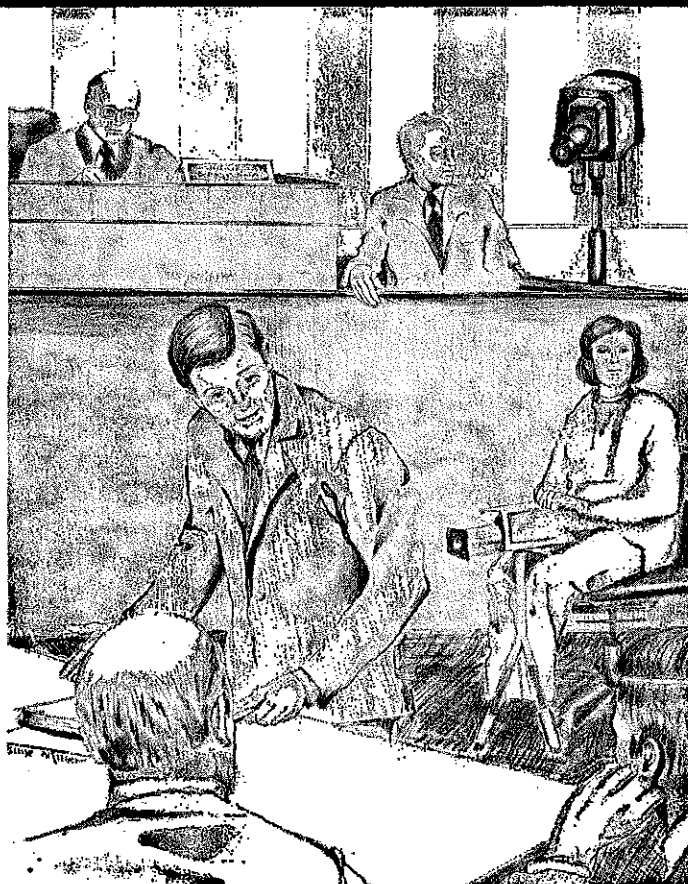
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