



Save the Dates:

Quarterly Membership Meetings:

- March 12, 2008
District Court Video Conference Room
- June 11, 2008
District Court Video Conference Room
- September 12, 2008
District Court Video Conference Room

Almeric L. Christian Golf Tournament:

November 9, 2008
Mahogany Run Golf Course
St. Thomas, U.S.V.I.

Annual Meeting:

December 12, 2008
Wyndham Sugar Bay Beach Resort & Spa
St. Thomas, U.S. V.I.



Head Notes

- Don't say no until you've exhausted all means of saying yes

2008 Officers and Board of Governors

The VI Bar held its Annual meeting on December 14, 2007 on St. Croix. The Election results for 2008 Officers and Board members of the Virgin Islands Bar Association are as follows:

NAME	TITILE	FIRM	PHONE	E-MAIL
Mark D. Hodge	PRESIDENT	Hodge & Francois	774-6845	mark@hodgefrancois.com
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Carol Ann Rich	Board Member	Dudley Clark & Chan	776-7474	crich@dudleylaw.com

National Bar Association Judicial Council Meeting

The National Bar Association Board of Governors and the Judicial Council will be hold a Mid-Winter Meeting from **January 23 through the 27, 2008** in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. They will be headquartered at Wyndham Sugar Bay Resort and Spa. To register online please visit http://www.nationalbar.org/news/conferences/mid_winter2008.shtml. The VI Bar will host a welcome reception for the NBA on **January 23, 2008** at the Wyndham Sugar Bay Resort from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Members of the Bar are invited. Attire: island/business casual.

JUDICIAL CONVOCATION: Lawyers and their guests are cordially invited to attend the NBA Judicial Convocation on Thursday, **January 24, 2008** at the Memorial Moravian Church. There will be a musical prelude by the Superior Court Rising Stars Steel Orchestra at 5:30 p.m. The convocation service will commence promptly at 6:00 p.m.. Your presence is greatly desired.

JUDICIAL COUNCIL LUNCHEON: Lawyers interested in attending the NBA Judicial Luncheon on Friday, January **25, 2008** at 11:30 a.m. at the Wyndham Sugar Bay Resort are requested to either purchase their luncheon tickets at the NBA Registration Desk located at the Wyndham Sugar Bay Resort or notify NBA Conference Representative, Theresa Royal, no later than noon on Wednesday, January 23, 2008. Honorable Bernice Donald, US District Court Judge, will be the guest speaker. Honorable Bernice Donald, US District Court Judge, will be the guest speaker.

2008 Committee Appointments

We encourage you to contact a committee Chair to join a Committee of your choice.

<u>VI BAR STANDING COMMITTEES Rule 305(X)</u>	<u>2008 CHAIR</u>	<u>2008 CO-CHAIR</u>	<u>CHAIR</u>	<u>CO-CHAIR</u>
Bar Journal	Venetia Velazquez		778-0613	
Conferences & Entertainment	Samuel Grey		773-3200	
Judiciary	Mark D. Hodge		774-6845	
Legal Education & Admissions	Glenda Cameron		778-8855	
Legislation & Law Reform	Scot McChain	James Bernier Jr.	773-9688	774-6011
Scholarship	Lydia Logie Moolenaar		719-6494	
Professional Ethics & Grievance Committee	Diane Russell-STX Comm.	Ruth Miller-STT Comm.	719-5376	715-5566
Unauthorized Practice of Law	Pamela Tepper		778-6311	
Young Lawyers	Kye Walker	Kyle Waldner	777-5737	777-5737
<u>OTHER COMMITTEES</u>	<u>2008 CHAIR</u>		<u>PHONE</u>	
Access to Justice	Amelia Headley Lamont		772-1200	
Bylaws	Tom Bolt		774-2944	
Lawyers Assistance Program	Ellen Donovan	Carol Rich	773-0464	776-7474
Public Education & the Law	Natalie Nelson Tang How	Dwayne Henry	773-0378	773-1082
Rules and Legislation	Pamela L. Colon	Douglas Beach	719-7100	776-7474
Technology	Carl Beckstedt		773-2785	
Awards and Memorials	Scot F. McChain		773-9688	
Legal Assistance Foundation	Andrew Capdeville		774-7784	
<u>2008 APPOINTMENT BY STATUTE</u>				
Medical Malpractice Action Review Board	Richard Knoepfel		776-7474	
Public Defender Admininstion Board	Dwayne Henry		773-1082	
Unniform Law Commission	Tom Bolt		774-2944	
Commission on Judicial Disability	Bruce Marshack		773-6728	
Judicial Council	Mark D. Hodge	Pamela L. Colon	774-6845	719-7100

If you have an announcement that you would like to see included in the VIBA-News, please contact Hinda Carbon, Executive Director of the VIBA, at vibarassociation@gmail.com or call her at (340) 778-7497.

Blurbs

Young Lawyers

A Christmas shopping spree with the children of the Queen Louise Home was held on Dec. 8, 2007. Young Lawyer Committee members wishes to thank those who contributed to the event. The spree went well.

The children had a great time and several of them grew very attached to their chaperone.

Participating members of the Young Lawyers Committee include Ernest Morris, Semaj Johnson, Matt Foley, Wayne Bradley and Hera Walker-Bradley. Special recognition to Hera Walker-Bradley for all of her assistance with this event. In addition to serving as a chaperone, she also handled the details of the party and followed up with taking pictures and writing an article about the day for the VI Bar Journal.

All in all, approximately \$2,886.68 was spent (Does not include out of pocket expense). This total includes the money donated to the children who participated in the spree as well as funds spent in purchasing gifts for those children unable to participate. Left over monies were used to purchase toys for the disabled children at the Home.

Reminders

Membership dues: Active \$200, inactive \$150; Specially admitted \$200; Pro Hac Vice \$200 (S.Ct.BA. No. 2007-024 Approval of Change in Dues Structure).

Certificate of Good Standing: In accordance with the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands' Promulgation Order No. 07-001, as amended, all requests for Certificates of Good Standing should be directed to the Clerk of the Supreme Court. A cheque in the amount of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) made payable to "Clerk of Court"



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