



Save the Dates:

- **June 20, 2007** 2nd Quarterly Membership Video-conference Meeting.
- **August 9-14, 2007** ABA Annual Meeting San Francisco, CA
- **September 19, 2007** 3rd Quarterly Membership Meeting
- **November 11, 2007** Almeric L. Christian Golf Tournament
- **December 14, 2007** Annual Meeting



Supreme Court of the VI
**CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK
POSITION**

See attached job announcement
for details

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Constitutional Convention Coordinator, Tregenza Roach, Esq. will Speak at our second quarterly Membership Meeting on **June 20, 2007**. The video-conference meeting will be held at the District Court on St. Croix and St. Thomas, at **5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Sharp!**

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District Court of the Virgin Islands is going live with electronic filing in **civil cases** on **Monday, June 18, 2007**. The idea is to go paperless. You still must create a document, convert it to PDF format, and then file it electronically with the court.

First, register for Pacer using our website as follows:

1. www.vid.uscourts.gov (our website).
2. Click on ECF - District Court.
3. Click on -PACER Service Center
4. Click on "Register for PACER" from the blue bars at the top and follow the instructions. For expedited registration, use a credit card.

We suggest you take the tutorial (less than 45 minutes) on our website page:

1. www.vid.uscourts.gov (our website).
2. Click on ECF - District Court.
3. Click on "To see available training material 'clerk [sic] here'."

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4. Click on District Court CM/ECF Tutorial.
5. Do sections 1, 3, 4 of the Tutorial. (skip Section 2 - the criminal tutorial).

You may want to download and/or print the 57 page (2MB) **Electronic Case Files User Manual** for you and your staff. You can access that as follows:

1. From the home page, click on ECF - District Court.
2. Click on "To see available training material 'clerk [sic] here'."
3. Click on "District Court ECF User Manual (in PDF)." 57 pages or 2 MB.

If you have time, there is a testimonial video of the advantages of going paperless.

1. From the home page, click on ECF - District Court.
2. Click on "To see available training material 'clerk [sic] here'."
3. Click on From the home page, click on ECF - District Court.
2. Click on "[CM/ECF: The Attorney's Perspective](#)"

These tools should give you a better understanding of the electronic system.

CONGRATULATIONS TENNIS TOURNAMENT WINNERS

At the 2007 Virgin Islands Bar Association Almeric L. Christian Open Tennis Tournament, forty teams competed for top honors in six categories at the Buccaneer Hotel Tennis Club. The event was held on May 25-27, and raised over \$5000.00 for the V.I. Bar Association Scholarship Fund.

1. Mixed A Doubles: Alex and La-Toya Elizee defeated Sean Coursey and Diane Colabella 6-0, 6-3.
2. Mixed B Doubles: Junior players Andy Feldman and Madeleine Duggan defeated Paula Davis and John Gnagy 6-3, 6-2.
3. Men's A Doubles: Dante Galiber and Sean Coursey defeated Don deWilde and Les Kelley 6-2, 6-3.
4. Men's B Doubles: Doug Brady and Eddie Martinez defeated Bill Byrd and Andy Feldman 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.
5. Women's A Doubles: Karen Heckman and Magda Finch defeated La-Toya Elizee and Sasha Brady 6-4, 6-3.
6. Women's B Doubles: Paula Davis and Michele Freiburghouse defeated Isabel Brady and Elena Shaubah 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.

Blurbs

Rule 302 new and improved and include language.

Lawyer Assistance Program (LAP) committee is working on adopting Rules including privileges and immunities so it can function better.

Unauthorized Practice of Law committee is working on same.

MCLE Rule language is agreed by all parties and should be adopted as a Supreme Court rule by end of year.

NOTES

- Surround yourself with positive people.
- Don't use the pronouns "I, me, or my"....."we, and our" sound so much better.
- Other people have good ideas too.

"It is only through the power of association that those of any calling exercise due influence in their communities."

Elihu Root



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