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Members of the Young Lawyers Section Board distributed toys to foster children during the holidays and held a pizza party with Santa to distribute them. Special thanks to the Embassy Suites Hotel in West Palm Beach for donating the space, to the North County Section for their financial contribution and to Talia Suskauer and her friends for providing entertainment for the children.

Mark your calendar for upcoming Membership Events

February 1: Joint Luncheon with Federal Bar and Bankruptcy Bar Associations. Guest speaker is 11th Circuit Chief Judge Joel Dubina

March 1: Bench Bar Conference

April 5: Joint Luncheon with PBC Justice Assn. with Guest Speaker Marsha Hunter – Consultant on Persuasion and Public Speaking Techniques for Lawyers

April 24: Celebrate Administrative Professional Day with a Firm Trivia Contest

April 26: Inaugural Golf/CLE Program

April 30: Annual Judicial Reception

May 3: Law Day Luncheon with guest speaker Michael Glazier, Nationally Prominent Attorney Representing Universities Under NCAA Investigation

June 1: Annual Installation Banquet

“Presidential” speaker, innovative new sessions and format changes to make 2013 Bench Bar Conference a fresh and new experience for judges and attorneys



Becker will share his unique experience in the pardon process and his role as special counsel to President Ford.

The 2013 Palm Beach County Bench Bar Conference aims to appeal to both new and veteran attendees with a number of innovative new sessions and format changes. Among the highlights of the March 1st event will be a fascinating luncheon keynote by Former Special Counsel to President Gerald Ford and attorney Benton Becker. Mr. Becker was instrumental in the process that led to the pardon of President Richard Nixon and the disposition of Nixon’s papers and the famous tapes. President Ford asked Mr. Becker, who has served as an adjunct professor of constitutional law at the University of Miami, to research every aspect of the pardon’s constitutionality. Mr.

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Rules of Civil Procedure Corner

Ode to the Rules of Civil Procedure

By Matt Triggs and Jonathan Galler

In honor of Valentine's Day, we present this Ode to the Rules of Civil Procedure.

It is well-known that the rules
Are the most basic of tools
For prosecuting a claim or defense.
Without rules for pleadings,
We'd have no proceedings
Or at least none that make any sense.

Sure, the rules are a bore.
They are often a chore.
But they serve a critical function.
They govern motions and petitions,
And final dispositions,
And the occasional temporary injunction.

The rules tell us when to file,
And how to consolidate for trial.
They go on and on about mediation.
They bring composure and decorum
To disclosure and choice of forum,
And speak plenty of complex litigation.

Yes, the rules are our friend
From beginning to end,
But there's something we probably should
mention.
It is easy to forget
That the rules have more than just one set
So you must pay sufficient attention.

Like the rules for federal and state --
They don't always equate.
It's not even worth asking why.
For example, in federal court
(Whether in contract or in tort)
Affirmative defenses get no Reply.



Now, we don't mean to tell you
To get emotional about venue;
We understand if you don't feel the
attraction.

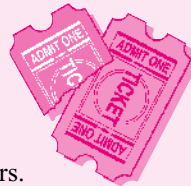
It's tough to get sentimental
About pleadings supplemental
Or even a third party action.

Love them or hate them,
Feel free to debate them.
Or decide which rule you like best.
But without them, you see
You might as well be
Practicing law in the wild west.

And if you are sure to embrace
The rules in every case,
We'll dare to make just one prediction.
You'll be at the top of your game,
And you'll earn a good name
When litigating in this jurisdiction.

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(or any other) Ode. Jonathan Galler
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and is prepared to take full blame.
Both concentrate their practices in
commercial and probate litigation.*

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