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The Sandbar

The Quarterly Newsletter of the New London County Bar Association

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Thank you to outgoing NLCBA President, Jonathan Lane, for his leadership and commitment!

Welcome new Board Director, Roger Scully!

L+M Summer Stride Virtual Road Race July 17-19

New Past Presidents plaque going up at Norwich Superior Court soon!

MCLE certificates of attendance are now available for your records. Please email your request.

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From the President

As with just about everything during these difficult times it has been a struggle to organize and schedule NLCBA activities so that we can all get together as a group. Now it is more important than ever to meet and discuss the important and necessary changes we are all experiencing. We continue to welcome news about the bar or upcoming events from our members especially during this time of remote pretrials and hearings and while we all continue to wear masks and social distance. All of us are isolated from each other so if you have information to share with the NLCBA community or would like to contribute to the content of the future issues of The Sandbar, it would be appreciated. Do not hesitate to contact our Executive Director, Lisa Southers, at newlondoncba@gmail.com. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, all of the upcoming events have been either postponed until further notice or made into virtual events. Please check our website at NLCBA.org for the latest information with regards to all of these events. Hopefully we will all be able to plan events and get together in the near future.

Congratulations to NLCBA Scholarship Recipient, Katarina Bromkamp



Ms. Bromkamp graduated third in her class at Griswold High School and plans to follow the pre-law track with a double major in history and political science at the University of Connecticut starting in the fall of 2020. In addition to her stellar academic achievements, Ms. Bromkamp played varsity soccer, served as the President of the Future Business Leaders of America, and was very active in her school's musical department. Her volunteer service included years of work with her church and local food pantry. According to her application essay, Ms. Bromkamp discovered her passion for pursuing a career in law, with later plans to run for public office, during her junior year in Advanced Placement U.S. History class. "Class debates served as catalysts that prompted me to investigate historical cases, and lectures about America's founding days inspired me to apply early American ideologies to modern-day political questions."

The NLCBA is extremely pleased to honor Ms. Bromkamp and to continue to offer this scholarship to the hard-working, motivated students of New London County each year.

Cheers To Our Peers

Congratulations to our peers who are excelling in their practices!

The Law Office of P. Michael Lahan is pleased to announce that Daniel L. King has been made a partner of the firm and their name has been changed to Lahan & King, LLC.

NLCBA Board of Directors 2020-2021

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Do you have recognition you'd like to share? Submit to newlondoncba@gmail.com to be featured in our next issue.

Although we could not meet in person to celebrate Law Day, the NLCBA Board of Directors chose to honor the League of Women Voters of Southeastern Connecticut with the annual Liberty Bell award. The NLCBA reached out to Ms. Irene Weiss, President and Voter Services of LWVSECT, for a history of their organization and how their work ties into the Law Day 2020 theme, Your Vote, Your Voice, Our Democracy: The 19th Amendment at 100.

Our local league encompasses 17 towns in southeastern CT.



Formed as an outgrowth of the Women's Suffrage Movement, exactly 100 years ago, the mission of the League of Women Voters is to Defend Democracy and Empower Voters . This includes encouraging and educating citizens to be active, informed participants in our democracy. We are an organization of all genders which welcomes students and residents from all walks of life.

A trusted source of information the League of Women Voters of Southeastern Connecticut has held informative meetings with topics as diverse as: Potential for Consolidation/Cooperation in Groton, State Support for Adults with Autism, The History of Women Suffrage, and Voting in the Pandemic (a recent Zoom program featuring Secretary of State Merrill).

Well known for registering voters, the League of Women Voters of Southeastern Connecticut works in partnership with New London County high schools and colleges, and other groups, helping up to 700 citizens register per year. All over New London County, we organize and moderate candidate debates, sometimes in collaboration with The Day or other organizations such as NAACP. Though a non-partisan organization, which does not support candidates or political parties, we energetically contact legislators on our priority issues such as Voter Access, Safe and Efficient Elections, Full Funding of the Citizen Election Program (CEP) and the State Election Enforcement Commission, Open Government, Environment and Women's issues, among others. The League of Women Voters is dedicated also to promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion both within the organization and in community partnerships.

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We are not giving up on the Race Judicata this year! Thanks to a partnership with the Hartford Marathon Foundation ("HMF"), the NLCBA will have its own division as part of the HMF's L+M Hospital Summer Stride. THE RACE IS NOW VIRTUAL - TO BE COMPLETED JULY 17-19. Register here:

https://www.hartfordmarathon.com/l-m-hospital-summer-stride-10k-5k/

We will have awards for the fastest male, fastest female and fastest law firm. The fastest law firm will be determined based on the fastest net time of a firm's 4 fastest finishers. The race is open to all New London County law firms that have members of the NLCBA as well as all employees of such firms AND all immediate family members of employees of the firms. The event is a fundraiser so runners/walkers of all abilities are encouraged to join us! A portion of the proceeds go to L+M.