NEW LONDON COUNTY, CONNECTICUT

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# The Sandbar

The Quarterly Newsletter of the New London County Bar Association

#### Upcoming Events & Announcements

April and May MCLE's are postponed until further notice

**5.1.20** Law Day Celebration - The Spa at Norwich Inn

**5.2.20** Spring Stride Road Race

6.26.20 Golf Outing -Pequot Golf Club

MCLE certificates of attendance are now available for your records. Please visit the Member tab on the website.

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## **From the President**

One of the stated goals of the New London County Bar Association is to encourage cordial relations between members of the bar. While the idea to bring back The Sandbar came before the Coronavirus pandemic, it seems fitting that at a time where "social distancing" is the new normal, we re-introduce this newsletter to focus on all the good things our local bar has to offer. The hope is that this newsletter continues to grow from this first issue, and offers more content, news and updates around the county as we move forward. Unfortunately, many of the events, such as Law Day, Race Judicata and CLE events that were scheduled, or in the final planning stages, will have to be rescheduled or put on hold for the time being. We will continue to provide updates as we learn more information about the ongoing pandemic and its impact on our future plans. In the meantime, if you have news to share with the local bar or would like to contribute content to future issues of The Sandbar, please contact our Executive Director, Lisa Southers, at newlondoncba@gmail.com.



"Dedication is not what others expect of you, it is what you can give to others." -Unknown

## 2020 Winter Event

Thank you to all who came out to celebrate this year's honorees, Bob Reardon and Peter Stuart.

# Lawyer Referral Service Initiates Electronic Payment System

In an effort to increase attorney satisfaction and reduce cancellation of appointments by potential clients, the Lawyer Referral Service has instituted collection of electronic payments. Prior to this system, the referral fee was collected by the attorney at the time of the consultation. Because there was little incentive for the potential client to keep the appointment, oftentimes they would cancel or no-show, thereby wasting valuable attorney time.

While there have been less referrals overall, it is the Board's expectation that this practice will increase the quality of the referrals provided and ease scheduling burdens for the participating attorneys.

### **Cheers To Our Peers**

Congratulations to our peers who are excelling in their practices!

The law firm of Tobin, Carberry, O'Malley, Riley & Selinger, P.C. (TCORS) of New London is pleased to announce that Partner, Kristin Wainright, of East Lyme has been named to serve as the firm's managing partner.

Polito & Associates, LLC is pleased to announce that James Harrington has been made a partner of the firm and their name has been changed to Polito & Harrington, LLC.



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