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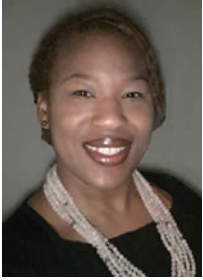
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# Welcome Back!

The President's Report | Annual Meeting Remarks from June 14, 2022

*The Honorable Myshala E. Middleton, President, Bar Association of Baltimore City*



**Welcome Back!** I am excited and honored to serve as President of the Bar Association of Baltimore City (BABC)! I am Myshala E. Middleton (pronounced Me-Sha-La) and I serve as a Judge on the Circuit Court for Baltimore City – currently in the Family Division. It is truly joyous to be back together for our Annual Meeting, given that the last time we were able to meet together was in 2019. Despite being physically distanced for the past two and a half

years, BABC has remained connected and thriving during a global pandemic, and we are still learning how to navigate during these ever-changing times. I do hope we are able to continue to gather in-person and we will try to hold as many events as possible outside, weather permitting.

I am so proud to serve as President of the BABC because of the significant role it has served in my development as an attorney and public servant. I was first introduced to BABC while clerking for the Honorable Lynn Stewart Mays during her BABC presidency. I began my journey with BABC by volunteering at the Holiday Party for Children Living in Shelters and attending various events. I slowly became more and more involved in BABC by serving on various committees, the Judicial Selections Committee, Communications and News Journal, Diversity Committee, Technology, Chair of the YLD Public Education Committee, and on the Executive Council. The Bar Association for Baltimore City provided me with the opportunity to meet and develop friendships with many people I truly admire.

I would like to thank Judge Anthony F. Vittoria and the Executive Council for their steadfast leadership during a major transitional year for the BABC. After over a combined ninety years of service both Kathy Sanzone, Executive Director, and Patty DeGuilmi, Executive Assistant, retired from the BABC. Their leadership proved to be invaluable to the progress of the BABC and its members. Shortly after their retirement, we welcomed our new Executive Director, Karen Fast, who hit the ground running and brought new ideas to the BABC. I would also like to thank Sabina Mohan, Communications and Membership Manager, and Viola Woolums, Director of Senior Legal Services, for their unwavering commitment to the continued success of BABC and Senior Legal Services.

The Bar Association of Baltimore City has the most devoted members, and this organization would not be here without your dedication. Over the past two years there were two classes of law students who had to complete their year in a virtual space. I challenge all members to bring a young lawyer from

your firm, or organization to a BABC event so they too can experience everything this wonderful organization and its members has to offer!

I would be remiss if I did not point out that the incoming officers for the 2022-2023 bar year is the most diverse group in the history of BABC. James Motsay (President-Elect) runs a small practice, Teresa Epps Cummings (Vice President) is as an Assistant City Solicitor, Evelyn Cussons (Treasurer) serves as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Baltimore Office, and the Honorable La Zette Ringgold-Kirksey (Secretary) prior to being appointed to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City served as an Assistant State's Attorney. In addition, three of the five incoming officers are Black and four of the five are women! I am looking forward to a very productive year celebrating all this organization has to offer along with all of you!



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## END OF SUMMER MEMBERS' RECEPTION

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Young Lawyers' Division Update – August 2022 | Annual Meeting Remarks from June 14, 2022

*James P. Robinson, Esq., YLD Chair*



On behalf of the entire YLD, I want to extend my sincerest thanks and gratitude to Sam Pulver for his leadership of the YLD during the past bar year. He led with a calm and steady demeanor and was a passionate advocate for the YLD. These qualities were on full display as Sam faced the ebbs and flows of the COVID pandemic. Sam assumed the role as YLD Chair last summer when a return to “normal” seemed within reach. Then the Delta variant hit. And then Omicron. But

during all of the upheaval and uncertainty, Sam was unflinching.

Under his leadership, the YLD once again held its hallmark event, the Holiday Party for Children Living in Shelters, in person at the Maryland Science Center. The YLD also planned numerous in-person public service events and organized several CLE seminars featuring prominent local attorney and appellate and circuit court judges. In short, COVID was no match for Sam.

On a personal note, I want to thank Sam for his assistance and guidance during the past few months. He has been an invaluable source of insight and institutional knowledge and I am extremely grateful that he will continue to serve on the YLD Council during the upcoming bar year. Thank you, Sam.

The YLD has been fortunate to have a string of fantastic leaders in the recent past. I have been an active member of the YLD for six years and during this time I had pleasure of serving under YLD Chairs Josh Caplan, Kerri Smith, Divya Potdar, Joseph Pulver, Lauren Lake, and, of course, Sam Pulver. Each of these individuals were excellent stewards of the YLD and I want to thank all of them for their guidance and encouragement over the years.

I also want to thank my law firm, Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann, for supporting my involvement in the YLD. I particularly want to thank Kelly Hughes Iverson, who encouraged me to take on a leadership role in the YLD. She has been an vital resource on all matters related to the BABC and I am grateful for her support and guidance.

I am honored and humbled to assume the role of YLD Chair. Year after year, the YLD has demonstrated its commitment to public service, promoting camaraderie in the legal community, and the overall betterment of the legal profession. I will work diligently to maintain and

advance this legacy. But the YLD's success ultimately depends on its members. As we move out of the COVID era and transition to the new

normal, it is my goal to introduce and promote the YLD to the new generation of young lawyers and actively recruit new members. I encourage all members of the Baltimore legal community to join me in this effort.

## Young Lawyers' Division

Come to the Bar Association of  
Baltimore City's Young Lawyers' Division's

# Meet & Mingle

September 20, 2022

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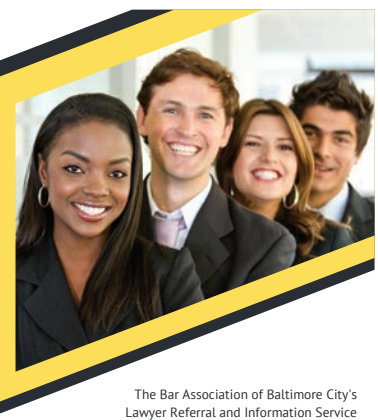
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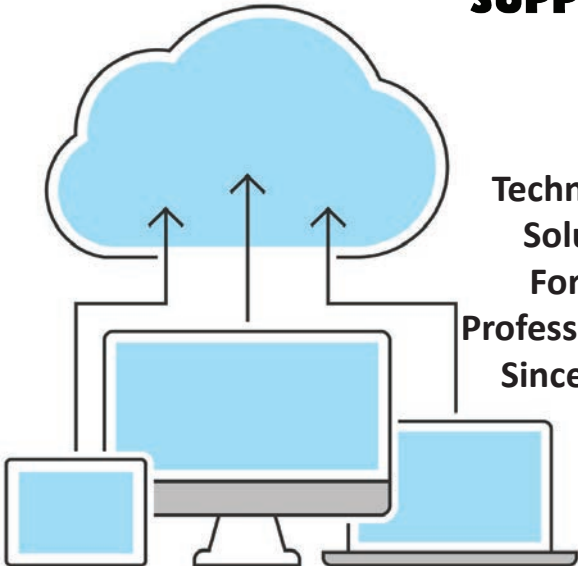
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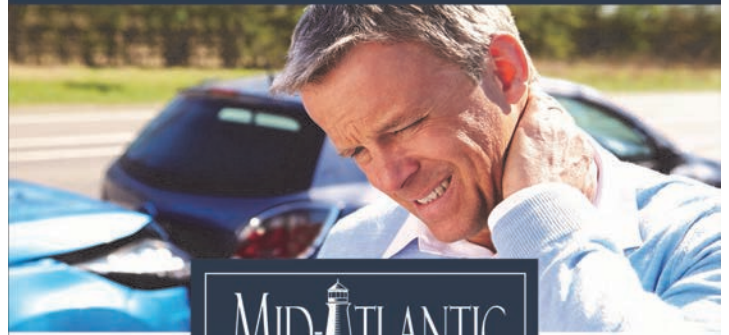
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## Bar Association of Baltimore City Committee Reports 2021-2022

### ADR Committee

Alice Pinderhughes, Esq., *Alice G. Pinderhughes, P.A. Attorney at Law*

The ADR Committee presented two CLE programs this year. On February 7, 2022, Jeff Trueman, Esq., presented an open conversation on about Advanced Mediation, *The Secret Sauce is not In a Cookbook*. The agenda of this presentation included: “moving beyond mediation frameworks (ethics regarding the practice standards and the reality of mediating litigated cases), setting the table (pre-session work), working the process (ethics regarding impartiality and omni-partiality), and managing difficult conversations and responding to angry participants.” There was a question-and-answer period and each participant

was given a copy of the extensive power point presentation prepared by Mr. Trueman. On February 28, 2022, the ADR Committee presented a CLE, *Best Practices for Settlement Conferences*. The presenters in this CLE were the Honorable Edward J. Angeletti, the Honorable W. Michel Pierson, and the Honorable Martin P. Welch. The moderator of this program was Courtney Jackson-Mills, Esq., Director Civil ADR Program, Circuit Court for Baltimore City. There were questions and answers in this program. The Committee has monthly meetings and Ms. Jackson-Mills provides information on Civil ADR program in the Circuit Court.

### Budget and Finance Committee

James W. Motsay, Esq., Treasurer, *Motsay & Lay*

The Budget and Finance Committee was very active this year. I worked with our new Executive Director, Karen Fast, in reviewing the past procedures of the Bar Association and updating them. Ms. Fast was in regular contact with questions and proposals regarding how we

report our finances and the strides she was making, with the staff, in improving our overall financial well-being. We were involved with the report from our auditors, Ellin and Tucker. I am happy to report that the budget for 2022-2023 has been approved by the Executive Council and we are financially sound.

### Courting Art

Brian Katzenberg, Esq., *Cohen, Snyder, Eisenberg & Katzenberg, P.A.*

This year Courting Art Baltimore held its seventh art contest for Baltimore City public school students. We had 41 total entrants, with seventeen works chosen as finalists and reproduced and installed at the Eastside District Courthouse. We awarded \$21,250.00 in scholarships, as well as \$850 in gift cards for art supplies and two placements in the Maryland Institute College of Art's summer program. We donated \$400 to teachers for art supplies for the classroom. We also held

two in-person events, one at Baltimore City Community College and the other at Eastside District Courthouse. We continued to foster good will between the Baltimore legal community and the local community and to beautify the Eastside courthouse. We now have approximately 120 pieces of student art installed in the courthouse. Our art contest is our major goal each year. To the extent we have additional goals, they are to increase fundraising and participation in the contest.

### Diversity Committee

The Honorable Kay N. Harding, *Circuit Court for Baltimore City*

On May 23, 2022, the Bar Association of Baltimore City's Diversity Committee organized an in-depth training and educational program with FreeState Justice entitled *Name and Gender Marker Change Training – Representing Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Clients Effectively*. This training included information regarding name change process in Maryland, administrative gender change options, court orders recognizing legal gender identity and much more. The

training was available to attorneys who committed to take one pro bono name/gender case with FreeState Justice within one year of registration. The training was conducted by Phillip Westry, Legal Director, FreeState Justice.

The Diversity Committee looks forward to continuing hosting educational trainings on topics of diversity, equity and inclusion and welcome feedback and suggestions from members of the association.

### Estates & Trusts Committee

Michaela Muffoletto, Esq., *Neuberger, Quinn, Gielen, Rubin & Gibber, P.A.*

Jennifer Yeagle, Esq., *Sims and Campbell*

In its tenth year, the Committee has continued many of the initiatives from its prior years as well as several new initiatives despite the continuing pandemic. A critical initiative is to maintain the Committee's active, cooperative partnership with the Orphans' Court for Bal-

timore City and the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore City.

The Committee benefits from the active participation and valuable insight of those of the judges from Orphans' Court for Baltimore City and the Register of Wills or her staff, who attend the meetings. In furtherance of that initiative, the Committee held its tenth annual “State of the Orphans' Court and Register of Wills” address in November via Zoom. The address was delivered by the following Judges of the Or-

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phans' Court for Baltimore City and the Register of Wills: Chief Judge Lewyn Scott Garrett, Associate Judge Michele Loewenthal, Associate Judge Charles G. Bernstein and the Register of Wills, Belinda K. Conaway. The address covered a wide range of issues relevant to the Baltimore City Orphans' Court and the Register of Wills. The address was followed by an open question and answer session. Those in attendance directed questions to the judges and the register.

Keeping our members apprised of legislative changes, changes to the Maryland Rules and developing proposed changes are important initiatives of the Committee. Several Committee members also serve on the MSBA Estate and Trust Law Section Council and led several discussions throughout the year regarding changes to the law affecting estates and trusts practice. The Committee's September meeting featured a discussion with Shakisha A. Morgan about the Uniform Partition of Heirs' Property Act. The Committee's February Meeting featured discussions with Committee member, Kelly Preteroti, about

the SAFE Act legislation and with Committee member, Mark Weisner, Assistant Attorney General, Courts and Judicial Affairs Divisions, about issues facing the Orphans' Courts. The Committee's May meeting featured Legislative and Rules updates by Christine W. Hubbard, the Chair Elect of the MSBA Estate and Trust Law Section.

Providing information to the public and attorneys by providing education and outreach programs is another important initiative of the Committee. Committee member, Timothy Chance, led the MVLS My Home, My Deed, My Legacy Project, assisting homeowners with basic estate planning and deed issues to aid in housing stability. Committee members, Chief Judge Lewyn Scott Garrett, and K. Alice Young, along with Chief Judge Wendy Alise Cartwright, of the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County, and Judge Juliet G. Fisher, of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County, presented Tips for Seeking Attorneys' Fees Before the Orphans' Courts, moderated by Committee Co-Chair, Jennifer S. Yeagle.

## Ethics Committee

Debra Cruz, Esq., *Levin & Gann, P.A.*

In the Fall of 2021, our committee, together with the Office of Bar Counsel, the committee hosted a Seminar/CLE with presentation by

Bar Counsel, Lydia Lawless: "Top Ten Ethical Mistakes And How To Avoid Them", in person and by zoom. The presentation was moderated by Debra Cruz, Chairman.

## Government and Public Interest Lawyers Committee

Ilya Altman, Esq., *Maryland Transit Administration*

Amy Petkovsek, Esq., *Maryland Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.*

Our committee focused on celebrating the accomplishments of attorneys in the Bar association of Baltimore City who have been working tirelessly in the public interest field for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic. The committee solicited nominations for a 2020-2021 and a 2021-2022 GPIL lawyer of the year and met to de-

termine the winners. The committee then hosted a celebration event at the Ritz Carlton Residences reception room to honor the award recipients, with guest speaker, Baltimore City Inspector General, Isabel Mercedes Cummings. This awards celebration, held in May 2022, brought together government and public interest lawyers in person for the first time in two years, and was an event celebrating the opportunity to gather after a long absence.

## Historical Committee

Diane Bristow, Esq., *Neuberger, Quinn, Gielen, Rubin & Gibber, P.A.*

The Historical Committee provides tours of the Judge James F. Schneider Baltimore Legal History Museum from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. each weekday. Elva Tillman offers training each month to potential new docents.

In the fall, it sponsored Thursdays at the Museum, which is an opportunity for authors to discuss their works. This past year, the following presentations were made:

- October 21, 2021, *Racial Laws in Maryland 1776-1867 And What They Mean For Me* by John J. Connolly, Esq.
- December 2, 2021, *Genius for Justice: Charles Hamilton Houston and the Reform of American Law* by Professor Jose Anderson

On February 17, 2022, it sponsored The Annual Black History Month program, "Educating and Guiding African American Youth Over the Years." It was moderated by Domonique Flowers, Esq. The presenters were Professor Jose F. Anderson, Darren Rogers, Executive

Director of I AM MENTality Youth Male Empowerment Project and Joni Holifield with HeartSmiles

On March 17, 2022, it sponsored with the Women's Bar Association of Maryland, Inc., Monumental City Bar Association, the Alliance of Black Women Attorneys of Maryland, Inc., and the Library Company of the Baltimore Bar, for the Women's History Month program "Becoming a Judge and Being a Judge: A Women's Prospective." The presentation was moderated by Diane C. Bristow, Esq. The presenters were Hon. Mary Ellen Barbera, Hon. Melissa K. Copeland, Hon. Jeannie J. Hong, and Hon. Pamela J. White.

On April 18, 2022, the Committee held a presentation by Wayne R. Schaumburg, entitled, "Greenmount Cemetery: Where Baltimore's Best Were Laid to Rest!"

On May 31, 2022, the subcommittee of the Historical Committee held a Virtual Memorial Service for members of the Baltimore Bar who passed away in 2019 through 2020.

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### Judicial Selections Committee

Jason St. John, Esq., *Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr, LLP*

In 2021-2022, the Judicial Selections Committee interviewed approximately thirty-five applicants for vacancies on the District and Circuit Courts. The Committee conducted these interviews by Zoom with each applicant appearing for 20 minutes. At the conclusion of each interview session, the Committee deliberated and voted on its

ratings for each applicant. The Committee, thereafter, informed the Judicial Nominating Commission of its ratings with a brief synopsis about each applicant. The Committee also sent individual letters to each applicant in which we shared our rating and rationale for that applicant only.

### Legislation Committee

Domonique Flowers, Esq., *Social Security Administration*

Our first meeting for the year took place through zoom on September 23, 2021. At this meeting, committee members introduced each other, discussed the purpose of the Legislation Committee, reviewed the Final Report of the Legislative Committee to the Maryland Judicial Council, talked about submitting publications for the Baltimore Barrister and discussed action items to prepare for the General Assembly Session in 2022. Our next meeting occurred on January 20, 2022, when we discussed potential bills that might be of interest to BABC. After selecting which bills we would act on, we then sent out inquiries to individual committee sections for further input and comment. We sent an inquiry regarding HB0210 (Criminal Trials-Spousal Privilege-Exception) to the Criminal Law and Family Law Committees. We also sent an inquiry regarding HB0244 (Civil Actions-Damages-Use of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Data) to the Workers' Compensation Committee. Near the end of January, we received a reply from the chair of the Workers' Compensation Committee who indicated that the bill would not impact any workers' compensation actions because benefits under the Act are set by statute and are not "damages" in the way that a jury award would be in a civil action. The chair of the committee concluded that it was reasonable for BABC to take a stand on a bill like this, but that her committee is not the logical one to do it. We also received a reply from the Family Law Committee indicating that they would look into HB0210 concerning the information we provided to them and would follow up with us.

In January and February 2022, the Legislation Committee continued to correspond with members to discuss the actions to take on certain bills as well as discuss the committee hearing schedule for these

bills. We eventually heard back from the Criminal Law Committee who provided a response concerning HB210 (Criminal Trials-Spousal Privilege-Exception). This bill which would provide that the spouse of a person on trial for a crime may be compelled to testify as an adverse witness if the spouse and the person on trial married after the date on which the alleged crime for which the person is on trial occurred. The committee chair voiced his opposition to any change to the current law indicating that this would affect the legal rights of a spouse who chooses not to testify, and the date of the marriage does not affect any legal perspective, as it is the opinion of the testifying spouse that would be a matter of concern.

We attempted to set up a meeting with Mr. Montgomery from the MSBA about having him speak to us concerning the process to track bills. However, we later learned that he was no longer employed with the MSBA. We were also planning to collaborate with the Solo Practitioner Committee to plan a landlord/tenant CLE that would discuss the new laws that had been enacted concerning renters in Maryland. However, members of the Legislation Committee decided not to go through with this initiative, and we did not hear back from the chair of the Solo Practitioner Committee. We tried to schedule another meeting of the Legislation Committee in December 2021 prior to the start of session in 2022 but we were unable to meet due to technical issues. Following our January 2022 meeting, we tried to elicit the responses of select committees to certain bills to determine what position we should take and whether we needed to testify at committee hearings. However, we were unable to receive commentary in time and provide recommendations to the BABC Executive Committee prior to the committee hearings scheduled for these bills.

### Life & The Law Committee

Alison Schurick, Esq., *Baker Donelson*

Kerri Smith, Esq., *Silverman, Thompson, Slutkin & White, LLC*

The Life & the Law Committee was pleased to co-host a number of events for our members this bar year. Most notably, in April, the Committee co-hosted a New Lawyers Mental Health & Wellness Webinar with the Maryland State Bar Association and the Maryland Association for Justice. Alison Schurick, Co-Chair of the Life & the Law Committee, was a panelist at that webinar, which focused on helping

new/young lawyers develop proper and sustainable habits to promote work-life balance and prevent burnout. The Life & the Law Committee also hosted a webinar titled "Is the Thought of Retirement Planning Keeping You Awake at Night?" in which Jason L. Ditto, CFP, MBA, of TriBridge Partners Financial Planning & Investment, discussed the basics of financial planning and the importance of saving and risk management.



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### Membership Committee

Divya Potdar, Esq., *Diva Law LLC*

This bar year the BABC Membership Committee focused not only on increasing regular membership, but also encouraging members to upgrade their membership to become Sustaining Members. The Committee, with the help of the Bar Office, provided several benefits for Sustaining Members including recognition in all BABC print and electronic publications, a special ribbon on name badges at all BABC functions, a highly coveted lapel pin, a printed version of The Baltimore Barrister, and two exclusive events. In the fall, the Sustaining Members were treated to a French wine and food pairing at Marie Louise Bistro. In the spring, their commitment to the Bar was honored with a five course German beer and food pairing at Guilford Hall Brewery. The Sustaining Members were able to enjoy these two complimentary private social events while supporting small businesses in Baltimore City, thanks to sponsors CRC Salomon and the Bar Associations Insurance Trust.

The Committee, with the assistance of the BABC President, drafted a written policy for handling late and unpaid dues. The proposal was presented to the Executive Council and approved unanimously. The proposal included, among other matters, monthly email blasts and electronic invoices to delinquent members. After the policy was instituted, the monthly reminder emails helped with dues renewals and

assisted with weeding out attorneys who were no longer practicing or living in Maryland.

The Committee also discussed automatic dues renewals and a Membership Directory on the BABC website. The Membership Directory would include the names, contact information, and practice areas of members. This would allow for an informal referral and mentoring network within the Membership. These two concepts require substantial involvement from our IT vendor and are still in the works for next bar year.

The total membership dues collected by May 2022 were just shy of \$180,000. The year ended strong as the BABC collected more in dues than the previous year, all thanks to the hard work of the BABC staff.

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The goal for membership dues for next year is \$190,000, and for Sustaining Member dues is \$7,000.

### Personal Injury Litigation Committee

Tamara Goorevitz, Esq., *Franklin & Prokopik, P.C.*

The Personal Injury Litigation Committee hosted two CLE Programs. The first program “Distinguishing Between Daubert and Other Expert Challenges” and the second program “Tips from a Judge, Defense Attorney and Plaintiff Attorney as to District Court Tort Practice.” Both programs were held by Zoom and were very well attend-

ed. Thank you to our moderators and panelists, Alison Kohler, Nichole Nesbitt, Honorable Shannon Avery, Michael Smith, Matthew Tranter, Eric Schloss, Nyasha West, Honorable Robert Cooper, Kurt Heinrich, and Andrew Gross. Our Committee members include attorneys from both the plaintiff and defense bars and there is significant collaboration and participation among members.

### Solo and Small Firm Committee

Andy Cooper, Esq., *Bader & Cooper*

Our committee wanted to offer the Bar an educational program on a topic that our committee was interested in researching. We were suc-

cessful in finding a former staff attorney with Allstate Insurance Company, George Falter, Esquire, to speak on Enhanced Underinsured and Underinsured auto benefit

### Workers' Compensation Committee

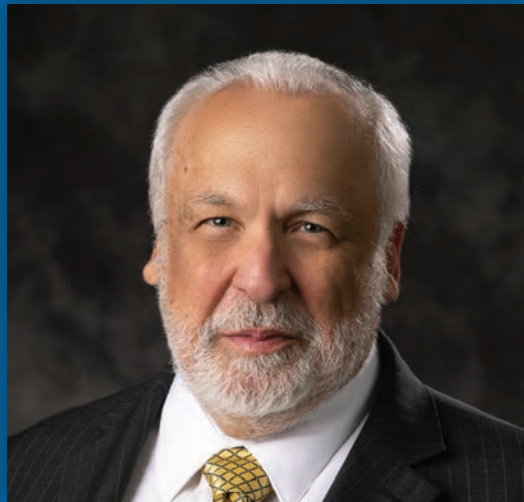
Angela Garcia Kozlowski, Esq., *Franklin & Prokopik, P.C.*

The workers' compensation committee supported the Maryland Workers' Compensation Education Association's Statewide Virtual Seminars that were presented at varying points throughout the year. There was a general sense that it may be best to hold off on in-person events until 2022-23.

The committee decided against holding any in-person events. We are finding that far fewer committee members are physically in the office now and are often working remotely from outside of the city.

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June 14, 2022

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## YLD End of Year Celebration at Captain James Landing

June 28, 2022

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## BABC President's End of Year Celebration

July 13, 2022

Great party from the BABC Executive Council to celebrate the end of Judge Anthony Vittoria's Presidency. Thanks Divya Potdar for hooking us up at the Maryland Club and everyone else that helped pull off a fun night.









## Managing Partners' Luncheon

July 14, 2022

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