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HEADS UP!

Become a "Secret Santa" Today: 200+ Children Still Need You!
This holiday season, give a child a positive outlook and a dose of holiday happiness by becoming a "Secret Santa." More than 200 children are still waiting for you. As a child's "Santa," you will receive that child's personal "wish list" in time for post-Thanksgiving shopping. Download a volunteer participation form: http://www.lsba.org/Members/SecretSanta.aspx. Let them know Santa cares!

ELECTIONS

Online Voting Underway for LSBA Leadership Positions
Online voting is open and will be conducted through Dec. 16 for open positions on the Board of Governors, Nominating Committee, Young Lawyers Division Council and American Bar Association House of Delegates. Review the contested races: https://www.lsba.org/BarGovernance/Elections.aspx.

Election Ballot Includes Proposed Amendment to Articles of Incorporation
LSBA members can obtain more information about the proposed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation by reviewing the HOD resolution at:
https://www.lsba.org/documents/HOD/Res3June19.pdf.

Interested in an Appointed LSBA House of Delegates Position? Respond ASAP
Review open positions at: http://www.lsba.org. Then email LSBA Executive Assistant Jennifer France at jen.france@lsba.org.

SPOTLIGHT: TRAVEL AND BUSINESS SERVICES

• **Best Post From Our Partners.** Rocket Matter (@rocketmatter) tweeted: "On this week's Lean Law Firm Podcast, special guest @akblegal talks about how she systematizes (and monetizes) her processes and how important it is to find your niche. Systems geeks: This episode is a must!" http://bit.ly/370L5NG.
• **Hotel Indigo New Orleans.** At the hotel located at 2203 St. Charles Ave., LSBA members receive a 20 percent discount year round and access to complimentary Wi-Fi, a 24/7 fitness center, off-street parking and pet-friendly accommodations. To book, email Thais.Ellison@interstatehotels.com or visit https://bit.ly/2zkswoG.
• **Ritz-Carlton New Orleans**. At the hotel located at 921 Canal St., LSBA members receive discounted rates based on availability. A renovation project is expected to be completed by January 2020. Book reservations online with corporate code "VUD" under special rates at:
http://www.ritzcarlton.com/neworleans.
• **Homewood Suites by Hilton Bossier/Shreveport**. Located off of I-20 at 2015 Old Minden Road, Bossier City, the hotel offers complimentary high-speed Internet and an onsite restaurant and bar. LSBA members receive discounted rates based on availability. Make reservations online at http://www.hilton.com with corporate code 0002831840.

• **Ruby Receptionists.** Ruby's live virtual receptionist and chat services help you gain new clients while reclaiming your time for billable work. From U.S.-based offices, receptionists and highly trained live chat specialists serve as an extension of your team converting callers and website visitors into clients. LSBA members receive a lifetime 8% discount off monthly plans. Call (866)611-7829; https://www.ruby.com/.
• **MyCase.** The web-based practice management software helps manage cases, track time, billing and communicate with clients. MyCase customers can accept online payments from clients using credit cards and checking accounts. LSBA members receive a 10% lifetime discount on the software. https://www.lsba.org/Members/TechnologyServices.aspx.
• **LawPay.** LawPay is offering LSBA members a "Black Friday" promotion. Any LSBA member who signs up for an account during the last two weeks of November (Nov. 18-29) will receive 12 months of the program fee waived. To learn more about LawPay, call (855)277-1913 or visit the website, https://lawpay.com/member-programs/louisiana-state-bar/.
• **LSBA Career Center.** To view all available jobs: http://www.lsba.org/goto/CareerCenterJobs.
• **Review All Services**. http://www.lsba.org/Members/DiscountBusinessServices.aspx.

MIDYEAR MEETING

Online Registration Open for 2020 Midyear Meeting in Baton Rouge

The LSBA's Midyear Meeting is Thursday through Saturday, Jan. 16-18, 2020, at the Renaissance Baton Rouge Hotel, 7000 Bluebonnet Blvd. Registration for the Midyear Meeting is free, with a minimal charge assessed for the Louisiana Young Lawyers Conference on Friday, Jan. 17, 2020. Pre-registration is required for the Young Lawyers Conference and for the free CLEs scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 16, 2020. Review the schedule or register online at: http://www.lsba.org/midyearmeeting.

House Resolution Deadline is Dec. 18 for 2020 Midyear Meeting

Resolutions by House members and committee and section chairs should be mailed to LSBA Secretary Patrick A. Talley, Jr., c/o Louisiana Bar Center, 601 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70130-3404. All resolutions proposed to be considered at the meeting must be received on or before Dec. 18. Resolutions must be signed by the author. Also, copies of all resolutions should be emailed (in MS Word format) to LSBA Executive Assistant Jen France at jen.france@lsba.org. The House will meet on Jan. 18, 2020, in Baton Rouge.

GET INVOLVED

LIFT Legal Incubator Program Accepting Applications Through Nov. 29

The LIFT Legal Incubator Program is accepting applications from new attorneys interested in developing public interest solo practices in New Orleans and Baton Rouge. To learn more about the Domestic Violence and Flood Proof projects, review the program flyers at: http://www.lsba.org/lift.

Nomination Deadline is Nov. 30 for Judge Jones Judges in the Classroom Award

Learn more about the Judge Benjamin Jones Judges in the Classroom Award, presented by the Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education, at: http://www.lalce.org/awards.html. Access the nomination form: https://bit.ly/32WlnHI. Or, contact Peggy Cotogno at (504)619-0134.

Sponsors Needed for 2020 LSBA Conclave on Diversity: Deadline is Dec. 2

The 13th annual Conclave on Diversity in the Legal Profession is March 27, 2020, at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, 500 Canal St. Review the sponsorship form: https://www.lsba.org/documents/Diversity/Sponsorshipform20201.pdf.

Nomination Deadline is Feb. 28, 2020, for Trailblazer Award, Guardian of Diversity Award

Access the nomination forms online: http://www.lsba.org/Members/Awards.aspx. Click on "Diversity and Inclusion Awards." Or email the Member Outreach and Diversity Department at diversity@lsba.org.

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Louisiana Bar Center to Close for Thanksgiving Holiday

The Louisiana Bar Center will be closed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28-29, for the Thanksgiving holiday. The office will reopen for business at 8:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 2.

Available 24/7: LSBA Expands Selection of eBooks

The LSBA's selection of eBooks covers various aspects of the practice of law. Access all eBooks online at: http://www.lsba.org/NewsAndPublications/eBooks.aspx.

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