May, 2013

Re: CTLA 2013 Annual Meeting

Dear CTLA Member:

Please join us for CTLA’s biggest event of the year – our 2013 Annual Meeting. The day’s events feature high quality CLE programs, informative and entertaining speakers, and award ceremonies all taking place within the beautiful surroundings of the Water’s Edge Resort.

We extend a sincere thank you to our generous members who continually support the Annual Meeting. A program such as this would not be possible without your continued involvement. Member contributions of time and financial support help to ensure the on-going success of this exciting and popular membership event. This is truly a collaborative undertaking.

For those of you who have not had the pleasure of attending this event, we hope you can join us. As you look through the brochure, be sure to note the registration deadline of May 29, 2013. Please complete the enclosed registration form and mail or fax it to CTLA or call our office and we would be happy to assist you. Seating is limited and this event sells out every year, so be sure to register early.

We look forward to seeing you at the Water’s Edge Resort on June 10th!

Sincerely,

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2013 CONNECTICUT TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Agenda

Monday, June 10, 2013 | Water’s Edge Resort – Westbrook, CT

8:15 – 9:00 a.m.  Registration/Continental Breakfast/Visit our Exhibitors

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  Workers’ Compensation Review

    Author/Speaker:  Robert F. Carter, Esq., Carter & Civitello, Woodbridge

10:00 – 12:15 p.m.  Expanded Supreme & Appellate Court Review

    Author/Moderator:  Carey B. Reilly, Esq., Koskoff, Koskoff & Bieder, PC, Bridgeport

    Panel:
    Robert B. Adelman, Esq., Adelman, Hirsch & Connors, LLP, Bridgeport
    William F. Gallagher, Esq., The Gallagher Law Firm, New Haven
    David N. Rosen, Esq., David Rosen & Associates, PC, New Haven

12:15 – 12:45 p.m.  Visit our Exhibitors

12:45 – 2:00 p.m.  LUNCHEON

    Speakers:
    Michael J. Walsh, CTLA President 2012—2013
    Douglas P. Mahoney, CTLA President 2013—2014
    Hon. William G. Young - U.S. District Court, Massachusetts

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.  Visit our Exhibitors

2:30 – 2:45 p.m.  U.S. Congressman Bruce Braley Address

2:45 – 3:45 p.m.  Afternoon CLE: Nice Lawyers Finish First

    Speaker:
    Sean Carter, Esq., Humorist at Law

3:45 – 4:15 p.m.  Legislative Review

    Speaker:
    Jay Malcynsky, Esq., Gaffney Bennett & Associates, New Britain

4:15 – 4:30 p.m.  Cocktail Reception on the Royal Terrace

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.  Business Meeting: Elections

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  DINNER

    RisCassi-Koskoff Civil Justice Award: Senator Martin M. Looney
    CTLA Judicial Award: Honorable Michael E. Riley,
        Connecticut Superior Court, A.J., Windham, J.D.
    CTLA Lifetime Achievement Award: Matthew M. Shafner, Esq.,
        Suisman Shapiro Wool Brennan Gray & Greenberg, PC, New London
    Guest Speaker:  Gail Collins, NY Times Op Ed Columnist

Book Signing - Gail Collins “As Texas Goes”
Honorable William G. Young, Judge of the United States District Court, District of Massachusetts, has been a trial judge for more than 25 years, serving on both the Massachusetts Superior Court (1977-85) and the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts (1985-present). He received his A.B., magna cum laude, from Harvard University in 1962, he served two years as an officer in the U.S. Army.

He was admitted to the Massachusetts bar upon graduating from the Harvard Law School in 1967. He served as law clerk to the Honorable Raymond S. Wilkins, Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. He practiced law as an associate and then partner at Bingham, Dana & Gould. His legal career has also included stints as a Special Assistant Attorney General and as Chief Counsel for former Massachusetts Governor Francis W. Sargent.

He has taught at several law schools including Harvard, BC and BU. He is active in judicial education at the Federal Judicial Center and the Flaschner Judicial Institute. He has won national acclaim for his work on the Massachusetts CLE’s annual lecture series On Trial with Judge Young. In addition to teaching in the classroom, Judge Young has written extensively.
Sean Carter graduated from Harvard Law School in 1992. His ten years of legal practice focused on corporate securities and mergers and acquisitions. During this time, he represented such clients as GNC, Experian, The Boston Beer Company, Homeside Lending, Safelite Auto Glass, J. Crew and many others. Most recently, he served as in-house counsel to a publicly-traded finance company.

In 2002, Mr. Carter left the practice of law to pursue a career as the country’s foremost Humorist at Law. Since then, Mr. Carter has crisscrossed the country delivering comedic professional educational seminars for more than 250 organizations in three dozen states.

Mr. Carter is the author of the first-ever comedic legal treatise – If It Does Not Fit, Must You Acquit?: Your Humorous Guide to the Law. His syndicated legal humor column has appeared in general circulation newspapers in more than 30 states and his weekly humor column for lawyers appeared in the ABA e-Report from 2003 to 2006.

Matt Shafner is a nationally recognized lawyer in the fields of asbestos injury, personal injury, maritime injury and workers compensation. He was admitted to practice in Connecticut, the Federal Courts of Appeals in the 1st and 2nd Circuits and the U.S. Supreme Court. His reported decisions have been published by the Appellate Court, Supreme Court, and the U.S. Court of Appeals in the 1st and 2nd Circuits. Attorney Shafner is a graduate of UConn with a BA in 1959 and law degree in 1959. He was a founder of O’Brien, Shafner, Stuart, Kelly & Morris and is now a partner with Suisman Shapiro. Attorney Shafner has been named among the Super Lawyers of Connecticut as well as in New England and Metropolitan New York. He was selected to appear in the 2010 Edition of Best Lawyers in America.

Attorney Shafner is a past president of the New London County Bar Association, on the Board of Governors of the CTLA and past State Delegate to ATLA. Matt Shafner was awarded the first Paul Tremont Award for Advocacy recognizing the first asbestos litigation in the Northeast filed in 1975. Attorney Shafner is a member of the Million Dollar Advocate Forum.
The CTLA Nominating Committee presents the following slate to be voted on at the Annual Membership Meeting Monday, June 10, 2013 Water’s Edge Resort, Westbrook.

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Douglas Patrick Mahoney has practiced at Tremont & Sheldon, P.C. in Bridgeport for the past twenty years. In his career he has had the opportunity to represent many individuals who have been harmed by others. Two jury verdicts in particular are most significant to him. The jury in the Estate of Blackwell v. Town of Seymour, et al held the defendant town responsible for the failure of its off duty police officer to stop a drunk driver, resulting in the death of Doug’s client. In the case of Tim Doe v. St. Francis Hospital, the jury held the defendant hospital responsible for the sexual abuse of Doug’s eight year old client by one of its doctors, some forty years earlier. Other jury verdicts include automobile and motorcycle accidents, negligence by police officials, premises security, underinsured motorist claims, assaults, constructions accidents, errors by insurance agents, and Dram Shop claims. Those verdicts, and others, reflect a commitment to trying the difficult case.

Doug has served the CTLA since becoming a member of the bar. For many years, he chaired its Membership Committee, chaired the Bridgeport People’s Law School, served on the Public Relations and Budget Committees, has been a member of the Board of Governors and of the Executive Committee as well as holding every officer position. He has lectured for years on behalf of CTLA at its seminars.

Doug is listed by Superlawyers as one of the top 50 lawyers in Connecticut and top 100 in New England. He is Board Certified in Civil Trial Advocacy and is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA). He is a Past President of the Greater Bridgeport Bar Association and still serves on its Board of Directors. He is listed in Best Lawyers in America in the field of personal injury and is AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell. He is a member of the Standing Committee on Recommendations to the Bar in Fairfield County. He has argued before the Connecticut Supreme and Appellate Courts.

Doug received his J.D. with Honors from the University of Connecticut School of Law and his A.B. from the College of the Holy Cross.

Doug lives in Newtown with his wife, Kristin Connors, who practices at Carmody & Torrance, LLP. Kristin and Doug have two children. Caroline is ten and Patrick is eight.
The Honorable Michael Riley graduated from the University of Connecticut with a Bachelor of Arts degree and from Western New England College School of Law with a Juris Doctor degree. He was admitted to the Connecticut Bar and the United States District Court. Judge Riley became a judge of the Superior Court in 2004. Prior to his appointment to the bench, he was a partner with Jackson, O’Keefe and Phelan where he practiced primarily in the fields of civil litigation and appellate practice.

Judge Riley is currently the Administrative Judge, Windham Judicial District, a Member of the Executive Committee of the Superior Court and the Civil Jury Instruction Committee of the Superior Court. He has been Board Certified in Civil Trial Advocacy by the National Board of Trial Advocacy since 1990.

Judge Riley is a member of the bar for the United States Supreme Court and the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. He was a Past President of the Tolland County Bar Association, and his professional association and memberships include the United States Supreme Court, American Bar Association, Hartford County Bar Association, Defense Research Institute, Connecticut Defense Lawyers Association, and National Board of Trial Advocacy. He was a member of Connecticut Trial Lawyers Association from 1982 until his appointment in 2004.

Senator Looney is in his sixth term as Senate Majority Leader of the General Assembly, having first been elected to that leadership post in 2003. He is also Chair of the Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee and Vice Chair of the Legislative Management Committee. Since being elected to the State Senate in 1993 and prior to his election as Majority Leader, he served six years as Senate Chair of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee; Chairman of the Banks Committee; and one term as Ranking Member of the Judiciary Committee.

Before joining the Times, Ms. Collins was a columnist at New York Newsday and the New York Daily News, and a reporter for United Press International. Her first jobs in journalism were in Connecticut, where she founded the Connecticut State News Bureau, which provided coverage of the state capitol and Connecticut politics. When she sold it in 1977, the CSNB was the largest news service of its kind in the country, with more than 30 weekly and daily newspaper chains.

Besides When Everything Changed, which was published in October 2009 by Little, Brown, Ms. Collins is the author of America’s Women, Scorpion Tongues: Gossip, Celebrity and American Politics, and The Millennium Book, which she co-authored with her husband, Dan Collins.

In 2011 and 2012, Senator Looney helped craft and lead passage of two bipartisan Jobs Bills aimed at helping thousands of small and medium size businesses and manufacturers in hiring, buying, training and expanding. Additionally, the 2011 and 2012 Jobs Bills provide job-training support for post-9/11 combat veterans, as well as a marketing campaign that promotes Connecticut’s wealth of cultural, educational and tourist destinations and a business incentive program that encourages companies to move jobs from overseas back to Connecticut.

In 1987, Senator Looney was selected as Legislator of the Year by the Caucus of Connecticut Democrats and following his first House term in 1982 he was honored by the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women for his successful work as sponsor of legislation to provide tax credit incentives to employers who create on-site day care for the children of their employees. Senator Looney is a graduate of Saint Rose School in New Haven, Notre Dame High School, and is a cum laude graduate of Fairfield University. He received his J.D. Degree in 1985 from the UConn School of Law. He is a partner in the law firm of Keyes & Looney.
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If you are interested in staying overnight at Water’s Edge, we have reserved a block of rooms for Monday June 10th. Please call 1-800-222-5901 to book your room and be sure to mention CTLA to receive the discounted rate. The deadline for this rate is May 16th.

Water’s Edge Resort & Spa is a classic, turn of the century New England shoreline estate. The 20 acre property of beautiful grounds overlooks the Long Island Sound and has its own private beach. It has 170 finely appointed guest rooms, an award winning restaurant, a luxury spa, 11 meeting rooms with 14,000 square feet of meeting space, Sea View Bistro & Martini Bar, outdoor dining, indoor and outdoor pools, two tennis courts and a fitness center.

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**2013 ANNUAL MEETING**

Monday, June 10, 2013 – 8:15 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Water’s Edge Resort, Westbrook, CT

### Choose One Option below ** Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 29, 2013

**FULL PROGRAM:**
(8:15 am – 8:00 pm)

Includes Supreme & Appellate Court and Workers Comp Reviews; Hon. William Young, U.S. Congressman Bruce Braley and Humorist Sean Carter. Cocktail Reception & Dinner

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**MORNING PROGRAM:**
(8:15 am – 12:15 pm)

Includes Supreme & Appellate Court Review and Workers Comp Review

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**DINNER ONLY:**
(6:00 pm – 8:00 pm)

Judicial Award to the Honorable Michael E. Riley, Lifetime Achievement Award to Matthew M. Shafner, Civil Justice Award to Martin M. Looney & Special Guest Speaker Gail Collins

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**ENTRÉE CHOICE:**

- Filet Mignon
- Grilled Shrimp
- Vegetarian (Grilled Vegetable Risotto)

If more than 1 registrant, please include a separate sheet with the name(s) of each guest with his/her entrée selection.

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