

## I'ANSON-HOFFMAN INN OF COURT NEWSLETTER

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#### **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

Social Hour– 5:30 p.m. Dinner and Program – 6:30 p.m.

Paradise Ocean Club

# **November Meeting Recap**

The Inn met for its first official meeting on November 10, 2021 at Norfolk Yacht & Country Club. The meeting began with orientation for our newcomers, where they heard a brief history of the Inn of Court system in England/America, as well as some of the rich history of the I'Anson-Hoffman Inn.



Toastmaster Alex McDaniel gave an inspiring toast about some of the lessons he learned in training for his first marathon, and how those lessons might apply to the practice of law. Alex shared his strategy of "running with friends" and "pivoting" when faced with adversity, always continuing his steady pursuit of the ultimate goal.



Pupilage Group 5 put on a truly excellent presentation regarding ethical considerations in legal advertising and social media use. Using hilarious and well-written skits, the group led an engaging discussion of several different ethical hypotheticals. Some of the topics included attorneys self-professing "expertise" or "specialization" in advertisements, and the pitfalls of using social media to surreptitiously gather information or engage with potential clients. Thanks for doing such a tremendous job with the topic, Group 5!





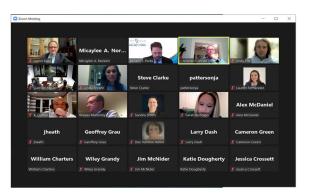
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# **JANUARY MEETING RECAP**

The I'Anson-Hoffman American Inn of Court convened for its first meeting of 2022, after a month off for holiday and new year festivities for its members. Originally planned as an in-person event, the prevalence of the Omicron variant required a quick pivot so that our January meeting could be held remotely. A big thank you to our wonderful leadership team for their ability to seamlessly transition this event to a virtual platform and to everyone who attended.



To open the meeting, Christian Connell offered some updates and remarks, including a few moments to remember our dear friend and long-time Inn Member Romeo Lumaban, who recently passed away. Romeo embodied many of the ideals celebrated within the Inn of Court, such as kindness, collegiality and mentorship. He will always be remembered and sorely missed by his Inn family.



Although a virtual meeting was not our first choice, it was particularly apropos, as the night's keynote focused on attorneys' ethical duties related to the use of technology.



Kellam Parks' presentation on this topic was exceptional, providing insight into a wide variety of issues from data breaches to phishing scams and everything in between.



A special thank you to Aaron Kass, for providing us with a dose of inspiration as toastmaster, and for reminding us all to donate to the canned food drive at the February meeting.

Until the next issue,

Micaylee Noreen and Andrew Gordon Newsletter Committee 2021-2022