

Coastal Inn of Court Board Meeting 8/19/2021

Board Member Attendance: Abby Saunders; Judge Lockemy; Judge Hewitt; Ian Maguire; Melissa Frazier; Karolan Ohanesian; Dominic Starr; Mark Nappier; Pete Hearn; and Ed Lawson.

I. Welcome by President Abby Saunders

II. Banquet

Invitations for our September 23, 2021 banquet honoring Chief Judge James Lockemy in appreciation of his years of extraordinary service to the bench and bar and also in honor of the South Carolina Court of Appeals were distributed to the Board and will be mailed to our members and honored guests. Judge Lockemy was surprised, honored and humbled in learning of this recognition.

Discussion was had regarding possible gifts for our honorees. Pete will try to bring the Coastal Inn of Court charter to display at the banquet.

III. New Member Orientation

New member orientation is to be held prior to the first meeting of the Inn year. New members that have not gone through orientation include Case Brittain and Ron Hazzard. Will also need to include our newest Pupil(s). Abby will arrange setting up this orientation virtually since it worked so well last year.

IV. Law School Affiliation

We are happy to report our newest Pupil is Caroline Barker who currently attends Charleston School of Law. Abby will reach out to current University of South Carolina Law 1L Luke Rankin to gauinge his interest in participating in our Inn.

V. Achieving Excellence - Platinum Designation

We have officially achieved Platinum status! This is truly a remarkable feat considering the young age of our Inn as well as being able to achieve this honor during a pandemic. Unfortunately due to the uncertainty associated with the ongoing pandemic and restrictions on the number of attendees at the event, all Platinum Inns are unable to attend the American Inns of Court Celebration of Excellence, held annually at the Supreme Court of the United States. Hopefully things will improve next year. The Pins and Certificates have been ordered for the Executive Committee in recognition of this accomplishment.

VI. Mentoring

Our mentoring program pairs two Inn members (Master or Barrister) with an Associate to provide an informal forum in which Associates can improve their professional practice and engage with other more experienced attorneys. Our Mentoring Program, Registration Form and Active Member list are attached for possible mentor registration and pairings.

VII. Miscellaneous

- a. Bylaws Were previously approved by the Board and by the National office.
- **b.** Treasurer Report Approximately \$15,000.00 in the account (prior to banquet expenses). Melissa is following up with 10 members who have not paid their dues. Abby will check with National about any required IRS filings (990N or 1099s).
- c. Community Outreach The Coastal Inn of Court has a team for the Walk to End Alzheimer's to be held on November 6, 2021 at Market Common. Abby will notify the membership of the opportunity to join the team or donate in the Welcome email she is sending to the group.
- **d.** Horry/Georgetown County Bar Association CLE All Coastal Inn of Court members are invited to attend the Horry County Bar Association Annual CLE on August 27, 2021 and can obtain up to 6 hours of CLE credit.
- e. Next Trip Discussion was had about the possibility of a 2023 Inn of Court trip to Spain.

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