

# **RANDY H. LEE AMERICAN INN OF COURT**

## **A Chapter of the American Inns of Court**

### ***Fostering Excellence in Professionalism, Ethics, Civility, and Legal Skills***

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**Dear Members of the Randy H. Lee American Inn of Court,**

We are excited for the 2025-2026 program year! Our local chapter remains committed to the legal community by promoting excellence in advocacy, enhancing professional skills, and fostering mentorship, collegiality, and professionalism.

We appreciate the feedback provided through our recent survey. Based on your input, we will return to the **Gorecki Alumni Center** as our meeting location. Please note that our first meeting will take place on **Tuesday, September 23, 2025**, which is later than our usual schedule due to Homecoming and scheduling conflicts at Gorecki.

#### **First Meeting Details:**

- New Member Orientation: 5:00 p.m.
- Member Social: 5:30 p.m.
- Dinner: 6:00 p.m.
- Program: 6:30 p.m.

#### **Meeting Dates for the 2025-2026 Program Year:**

- September 23, 2025
- October 14, 2025
- November 18, 2025
- February 10, 2026
- March 3, 2025
- April 7, 2026

#### **Dues Information:**

We kindly ask all members to submit dues promptly. This is especially important this year, as returning to the Gorecki Alumni Center requires us to pay a rental deposit in advance. Additionally, the Inn has just paid national membership dues for each member for the upcoming year, totaling **\$99 per member**, which represents a significant upfront cost to our local chapter.

You will receive a dues invoice electronically. Dues can be paid online by credit card or by check. We strongly encourage law firms and organizations to pay by check, as credit card payments incur processing fees that impact our budget.

### **RSVP Process:**

We will continue to request RSVPs in advance of each meeting. Monthly RSVP emails will be sent, and timely responses are appreciated to ensure we can accommodate meal orders. Please indicate any dietary restrictions, such as allergies, gluten-free, or dairy-free preferences, when you RSVP.

If you are unable to attend, please let us know. In your absence, we may offer your seat to a UND Law student. Past participation by UND Law students has strengthened our chapter and supports future growth.

### **Pupilage Teams:**

You will receive the Pupilage Team Roster separately. Each team is responsible for organizing and presenting one program during the year. A designated team co-chair will coordinate communication and planning efforts.

While presentation topics will be suggested, teams are welcome to select alternative topics, except for programs designed to satisfy Minnesota's Elimination of Bias CLE requirements.

To assist with CLE credit approval, co-chairs are required to submit a written program summary along with the presentation materials to the Program Co-Chairs, Andria Pinkerton and Elizabeth Behrens, within ten (10) days following the program.

Please note, not every member of a Pupilage Team is required to present. We want to be respectful of everyone's time and ensure our programs stay within the allotted schedule.

### **Guest Policy:**

Members are encouraged to invite prospective members or guests to meetings. The sponsoring member is responsible for the guest's meal cost of **\$35.00**. Non-members invited by Pupilage Teams to present at a meeting are considered guests, and the inviting team is responsible for their meal cost.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the Randy H. Lee American Inn of Court. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Gorecki Alumni Center on Tuesday, September 23, 2025. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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