



The Weekly Email Newsletter Of The Mississippi Bar **November 5, 2007**

Casemaker Tip #2 Casemaker Utilizes *SuperCODE* to Identify Changes to Statutes and Codes

SuperCODE is the exclusive Casemaker feature that identifies session laws which may affect the documents that users view. *SuperCODE* appears on the right-hand side of the screen and displays hyperlinks to session laws that reference the document currently being viewed. By clicking on the hyperlink (*if present*) the user is immediately transported to the segment of the legislation that deals with the current document. Users can then quickly determine if the new law will apply to the salient portion of code of interest.

Bar Host Luncheon For Bar Leaders

Last Tuesday October 30 MB President Bobby Bailess hosted leaders of Mississippi's larger legal organization for a luncheon at the Bar Center. Leaders from the Mississippi Association for Justice, Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association, Magnolia Bar, Mississippi Women Lawyers Association, Hinds County Bar Association, The Mississippi Bar, Mississippi College School of Law, University of Mississippi School of Law, American Board of Trial Advocates, American College of Trial Lawyers and Chief Justice James Smith all participated in the meeting. Organizations present all reported on their programs and activities and discussed issues of concern.

Lawyers Needed to Serve as Judges for 25th Annual Mississippi High School Mock Trial Competition

Attorney volunteers (of any age) are needed to judge during the 2008 Mississippi High School Mock Trial Competition. The competition will begin in January and we need judges for the four regional competitions and the statewide competition at the end of February. You can sign up to judge by clicking [here](#) or contacting Ginger Blanchard at gblanchard@msbar.org to receive a signup form. The dates, times and locations for the competitions are: Oxford Regional at UM Law School on Saturday, January 26th (Round 1: 9-11 a.m., Round 2: 1:15-3:15 p.m.); Jackson Regional at MC Law School on Saturday, February 2nd (Round 1: 9-11:00 a.m., Round 2: 1:15-3:15 p.m.); Hattiesburg Regional at USM Campus, Liberal Arts Building, on Saturday, February 9th (Round 1: 9-11 a.m., Round 2: 1:15-3:15 p.m.); Coast Regional Harrison County Courthouse, Gulfport, Saturday, February 16th (Round 1: 9-11 a.m., Round 2: 1:15-3:15 p.m.); Statewide Competition at Hinds County Courthouse, Friday, February 29th and Saturday, March 1st (Round 1: 3-5 p.m., Round 2: 6-8 p.m., Round 3: 9-11 a.m. and Round 5: 1:00-3:00 p.m.). This competition is sponsored annually by The Mississippi Bar Young Lawyers Division. If you have any questions, please contact Ginger Blanchard at gblanchard@msbar.org. Sign up early and get the round of your choice.

Viewing The Law In 2020

The Complete Lawyer asked four futurists to share their opinions about what the profession and the lives of lawyers will look like in the year 2020. In brief: the Knowledge Revolution will make you much healthier; law practices will be far more collaborative; the pace of change will only accelerate; and the rapid growth of Alzheimers in adults and autism in children will break the healthcare system unless effective cures or treatments are found. I'm confident you will find these

and other articles in this edition of TCL compelling and even surprising. I look forward to hearing from you. [Click here to get this issue of The Complete Lawyer](#)

Using Adobe Acrobat in the Law Office Webinar - November 12

You are invited to participate in a free "webinar" sponsored by the Technology Committee of The Mississippi Bar. The one hour webinar will begin at 12 Noon CST on Monday November 12. Participants may receive 1 hour of CLE credit. All you will need to access the webinar is computer access to the Internet (a high speed connection is recommended) and a phone. Rick Borstein, a speaker at the popular Technology Seminar hosted by the Bar in the Fall of 2006 in Jackson will be the speaker. He is the leader of Adobe's legal development efforts and will discuss the latest legal market use of Acrobat and PDF including eFiling, archiving, eBriefs, Accessibility and Security. He will also demonstrate including how to create PDF files from Office Applications such as Word, Excel and Internet Explorer, how to assemble an eBrief in Acrobat including cites and hyperlinks and how to use Acrobat's new Outlook Folder archiving capabilities as well as archived, Web based accessibility and security. All documents submitted to the U.S. federal courts are required to be stored electronically as PDF files. But Adobe Acrobat 8.0 does much more than comply with Federal e-filing requirements. New features specific to the legal profession include redacting, annotating and Bates numbering. Rick Borstein is the Legal Market Business Development Manager for the Adobe Corporation. He has over 18 years experience in the software industry and is an Adobe Certified Expert for Acrobat. Rick also authors the legal bog, Acrobat for Legal Professionals at <http://blogs.adobe.com/acrolaw>. To register email your name and email address to Kellie Freeman at kfreeman@msbar.org. The webinar is limited to 60 participants. Registrations will be taken on a first come first serve basis.

MB CLE on the Road Seminar in Greenville - November 16

The Bar's 1st CLE on the Road Seminar for 2007-08 will be held at the Higher Education Center in Greenville on Friday November 16. 6 hours of CLE credit will be offered. Brochures for the seminar have been mailed to lawyers in the area. The Bar's CLE on the Road programs provide lawyers an opportunity to obtain quality CLE at an affordable price without having to travel a long distance. The program includes an ethics hour, law office management, Supreme Court update and local trial judges. The registration fee is only \$90 in advance. If you have questions or need another brochure, please contact Kellie Freeman at kfreeman@msbar.org or call 601-353-1703.

Have You Checked Out New MB Membership Services - Legal Forms and Online Backup?

The Bar is offering two new membership services - online legal forms and online backup. The Bar now offers to all Mississippi attorneys' access to over 7,000 Mississippi legal forms. The Mississippi Bar FormsPass(R) Legal Forms Library is made possible by an agreement with US Legal, Inc., a Mississippi Company which provides state specific forms to attorneys in all states. FormsPass will allow users to access and use over 7,000 Mississippi legal forms at a highly reduced rate. To activate your subscription go [here](#) and complete the form and fax or mail to US Legal, Inc. For more information visit the forms site at www.formspass.com/msbar/ The second new member service is CoreVault an online data backup and recovery service that helps protect data by getting it offsite on a daily and automated basis, while storing it in two geographically separate data centers. Single files and e-mails can be restored in a matter of minutes, which dramatically improves disaster recovery/business continuity plans. Through CoreVault the Bar is now offering this automated and offsite data protection to all Mississippi members at a special member price starting as low as \$29.95/month. To learn more about this new service and get a quick quote for your firm, e-mail the CoreVault at sales@corevault.net or call at 1-888-265-5818. You can also visit CoreVault at www.corevault.net/msbar or go to the Bar's website <http://www.msbar.org/> and click on the CoreVault Online Backup link at the top of the page.

Mississippi Court Administrators Website Online

The Mississippi Court Administrators, that encompassing most all Court Administrators in Circuit, Chancery, County, and Youth Courts, is up and running online with a website,

<http://www.mscaa.org/>. A directory of Court Administrators by Court is available on this website, including e-mail addresses.

Save the Date-LJAP Monitoring Training - February 1-2

Get to know your fellow lawyers across the state that support the LJAP at a Monitoring Training on February 1-2, 2008, at the Eagle Ridge Conference Center in Raymond, Mississippi. This is a grand opportunity for all levels of participation within the program. Strengthen your recovery or illness management, learn how to help fellow suffers, find peace and prosperity at this two half-day CLE seminar. Spouses are welcome and encouraged to come. For questions or comments, please contact Betty Daugherty at 1-800-593-9777 or email bdaugherty@msbar.org or Lillie Cox at 601-948-0989 or email lcx@msbar.org.

MS Volunteer Lawyers Project Seeks Volunteer Attorneys

A Panola County client (MVLN No. 2007-2822) wishes to file for divorce on grounds of Habitual Cruel and Inhuman Treatment. She and her husband were married on March 5, 1966 in Panola County, Mississippi. The parties separated on or about April 2004 in Panola County. There were children born of the marriage, but all of them are now adults. If you are interested in providing *pro bono* assistance to this client or others like her through the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project, please visit www.probono.net/ms or call (601) 960-9577.

Upcoming CLE Offerings

9th Annual Guardian Ad Litem and Child Advocacy CLE - November 9

Mississippi College School of Law will host the 9th Annual Guardian Ad Litem and Child Advocacy CLE on Friday, November 9, 2007. The event will take place on the campus of MCSOL, located at 151 East Griffith Street in Jackson. This CLE event has been approved for six (6) hours of CLE credit including one (1) hour of Ethics. This course has also been approved by the Mississippi Judicial Council for annual GAL certification. Breakfast and lunch provided on site. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. For more information, please contact Tammy Upton at 601-925-7107, or tupton@mc.edu. Please use the following link to register online: <https://secure.ga4.org/01/gal07>.

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Mid-South Conference on Estate Planning - November 16

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Mid-South Conference on Estate Planning set for Friday, November 16 at the Hollywood Hotel in Tunica. Topics include Use of Trusts in Asset Protection, Tax Considerations, Effective Use of Family Limited Partnerships, Charitable Giving, and Ethical Considerations for Estate Planning Attorneys. The course offers 6 hours of CLE credit, including one hour of ethics. Please visit www.outreach.olemiss.edu/cle or contact Cindy Heuser at cheuser@olemiss.edu for more information.

Law Review Symposium - Justice Thurgood Marshall - February 21

Mark your calendars for the Mississippi College Law Review's Thurgood Marshall Symposium. The event celebrating the 100th birthday of the late Justice Marshall will be held Thursday, February 21, 2008 at the Telecom Center in Jackson, Mississippi. CLE credit will be available for participants. The keynote speaker will be Juan Williams, newscaster and author of Thurgood Marshall: American Revolutionary and Eyes on the Prize. The symposium will be open to the legal community.

Risky Business - Financing and Distributing Independent Films - November 30, 2007

The Tupelo Film Commission will host a CLE on Mark Litwak's seminar "Financing and Distributing Independent Films" Friday, November 30th at the BancorpSouth Conference Center in Tupelo, Mississippi beginning at 9 a.m. With the newly revised Motion Picture Incentive Program recently approved by legislation, Mississippi has become an attractive and competitive state for filming. Mark Litwak, veteran entertainment attorney based in Beverly Hills, will cover legal aspects of filmmaking applying both to attorneys and filmmakers. Clients of Mark's whose films exhibited during Sundance 2007 are Black Snake Moan, The Ten, Padre Nuestro, Expired and Fido. Special events are planned for the attendee the night before seminar begins. Visit www.tupelo.net/filmfest for details on seminar and special events. Discount price offered which will include lunch, CLE credit of 6.0 hours and processing fee for CLE. For more information, please contact Pat Rasberry at 662-841-6599. On-line registration is available. Register now as space is limited.