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Annual Section Meeting in Sandestin

The Litigation Section's annual meeting is July 17, 2009 at 10:15 a.m., at the Sandestin Hilton & Conference Center. The Section is pleased to announce, as the featured speaker, Dr. Dan Jordan, who will present "Lawyer Thomas Jefferson and Why He is Important Today." Dr. Jordan, a renowned authority on Jefferson, recently retired as President of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, which owns and operates Monticello in Charlottesville, Virginia. Dr. Jordan, a graduate of the University of Mississippi and the University of Virginia, is the father of United States District Judge Dan Jordan.

The Litigation Section will also elect officers for 2009-2010 at the annual meeting. The slate of nominees is:

Kyle Moran	Chair
Grant Bennett	Vice-Chair
Doug Minor	Secretary/Treasurer
Cal Mayo	Immediate Past Chair
Brooke Newman	Executive Committee (08/2008 – 07/2010)
Ted Connell	Executive Committee (08/2008 – 07/2011)
Rebecca Wiggs	Executive Committee (08/2009– 07/2012)

The 2008-2009 Officers and Executive Committee give special thanks to U.S. District Judge Dan Jordan, who completes his term as an officer on July 31, 2009. The Committee also thanks Cal Mayo for his exemplary service as Chairman of the Litigation Section and to the Bar. Cal's efforts led to over \$25,000 in charitable contributions by the Litigation Section to various causes this year.

Mississippi Electronic Courts (MEC) Presentation at Bar Convention

Clint Pentecost from the Mississippi Supreme Court will demonstrate the new MEC state court electronic filing system at 12:15 p.m. immediately following the annual meeting on July 17. The presentation, which will last about 20 minutes, will take place in our annual meeting room. All members of the Section are encouraged to attend this presentation to learn more about this new electronic filing system currently being implemented in the chancery and circuit courts in Madison County.

Scholarships Awarded to Ole Miss Law Students

The Litigation Section awarded \$1,000 scholarships to Herb Wilson and Maggie Middleton at the annual Law School Awards Day on Friday, March 27, 2009. They were chosen because of their outstanding performance in the trial practice classes for the 2008 academic year. Wilson and Middleton were unable to be present at the awards ceremony because they were competing in a moot court competition in New York.

Scholarships Awarded to Mississippi College Law Students

The Litigation Section awarded \$1,000 scholarships to Gene Taylor and Nick Crawford at the annual Law Day on Friday, April 17, 2009. The award was presented to two 2L students who excelled academically and showed promise in the area of litigation.



Dean Jim Rosenblatt
and Gene Taylor



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and Nick Crawford

The Litigation Section Annual Report

The Litigation Section's Annual Report is available for review on the Section's website by clicking [here](#).

Litigation Section Executive Committee:



Cal Mayo, Chair

Kyle Moran, Vice-Chair

Grant Bennett, Secretary/Treasurer

Hon. Dan Jordan, Past Chair

Doug Minor, Executive Committee

Brooke Newman, Executive Committee

Ted Connell, Executive Committee

René Garner, Section Coordinator