

The Successful Legal Assistant

In 2001 the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association established their first Legal Assistants Committee. The new membership acknowledges the significance of legal assistants and how their utilization creates an environment rich with success. Legal services are, indeed, improved by enthusiastic and skilled paralegals.

We are pleased to invite you to this Anniversary Celebration of the Committee and their recognition as the DMBA Outstanding Committee of the Year. After two years, the Legal Assistants Committee has established itself as a valuable resource, stressing professional development and networking, and attracting a loyal membership.

"Spotlight on Paralegals" is an opportunity to acknowledge these hard-working professionals and thank them for their dedication and achievements. We hope you will join us at this one of a kind reception. It promises to be a wonderful and informative event.

The Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association invites you to attend . . .

A special event for attorneys, judges, legal administrators and legal assistants to celebrate the exceptional contribution of the "Successful Legal Assistant"

Thursday, 24 June 2004

The Gem Theatre
333 Madison Avenue Detroit, Michigan

Program

Cocktails and Appetizers 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
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Introduction: *Louis Theros*, President Elect DMBA
Member, Dickinson Wright PLLC

Speakers

Keynote

Hon. Marilyn J. Kelly, Justice, Michigan Supreme Court

Linda S. Jevahirian, Chair, Legal Assistants Committee, DMBA
Founder and President, Legal Search & Management, Inc.

William J. Parsons, Director of Human Resources,
Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.

Peter N. Tassie, Managing Counsel, Ford Motor Company

About the Speakers

Of special interest will be Justice Marilyn J. Kelly's comments on the recoverability of paralegal fees and the impact it has on the practice of law in Michigan.

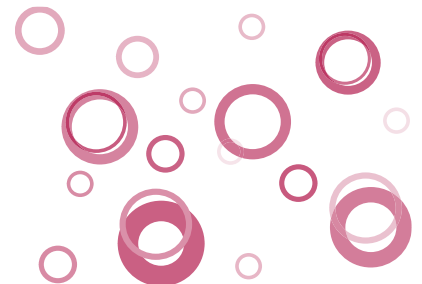
William J. Parsons and Peter N. Tassie will address the profitability of paralegals in the private and corporate sectors.

Linda S. Jevahirian will talk about the historical evolution of legal assisting in Michigan and how it has impacted "The Successful Law Practice."

Admission \$25.00 member and \$35.00 non-member

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Please RSVP by **14 June 2004** to:
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Program Committee

Linda S. Jevahirian, *Chair, Legal Assistants Committee; Founder and President, Legal Search & Management, Inc.*

Vanessa Lozzi, *Legal Assistant, Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.*

Susan Brey, *Senior Paralegal, Ford Motor Company*

Keonda Buford, *Master Scheduler, Mediation Tribunal*

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