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Message from the President

Welcome back, Colleagues! The Greensboro Bar Association is back from summer break and we are planning an exciting year for our members.

Before I share some of those plans with you, I feel it appropriate to acknowledge the profound loss to our legal community that occurred on August 3, 2019 when the Honorable Tom Jarrell passed away. We not only lost our Chief District Court Judge, but we also lost a model public servant, a wonderful person and a friend. We will miss Judge Jarrell and on behalf of the Greensboro Bar Association, we extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife, Cindy, and his three sons: Thomas, Robert and David.

The beginning of this Greensboro Bar Association year comes with a reminder to all that we are now the 24th Judicial District. And to coincide with our new district number, the Greensboro Bar Association will soon introduce a new website. We are putting the final touches on the website and expect to send all members specific directions about how to claim your listing and add your practice areas to your profile. When you receive this email, please take a few moments to browse the site and its many functions. A special thank you is in order to Diane Lowe for her persistence in making this new website a reality!

While I look forward to serving as your President this year, I can't do this job without your help. So, my first request of each member of the Greensboro Bar is to reach out to me and the Board with your feedback and suggestions about how we can serve you better than ever before.

As our year gets started, we will hit the ground running. At press time, we are finalizing plans for a few events in September. On September 3, 2019, the GBA, with the help of Kearns Davis, will greet a delegation of lawyers from Haiti who will be observing court in Greensboro. All members are welcome to join us in the newly renovated "lawyers lounge" on the second floor of the courthouse in Greensboro. Details will be emailed to members. Next, our monthly meeting will be a luncheon at Greensboro Country Club on September 19, 2019, with a special presentation from BarCARES. We are also organizing a membership outing on September 20, 2019 to the Community Theatre of Greensboro to enjoy a presentation of the Broadway hit musical, "Memphis." We hope you will take the opportunity to join us as we step back in time to 1950's Memphis, Tennessee, where singing and dancing surround serious social justice themes. Look for an email about how to get your tickets.

With the help of my Board Members and Committee Chairs, we plan to emphasize three goals this year: (1) providing pro bono and community service opportunities for members seeking to meet our ethical recommendations of annual service, (2) improving member camaraderie by emphasizing monthly membership socials and recruitment outings for members and potential members, and (3) building upon previously successful educational programs to provide affordable, quality CLE programs all year long. We hope you will see the value of your membership in these goals as well as the monthly meeting opportunities.

You can contribute news or topics of interest to the GBA by contacting Editor Allie Petrova:
petrova@petrovalaw.com

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR NOTES

- September 3 Haitian Delegation/Lawyers Lounge
Grand Opening Reception,
12:30-2:00 PM, Guilford County
Courthouse
- September 12 YLS Backpack Beginnings,
3:30 PM, Backpack Beginnings,
3707-D Alliance Drive
- September 12 YLS Networking/Happy Hour,
5:45 PM, Fat Dog's
- September 11 GBA Board Meeting,
4:00 PM, Self Help Building
- September 18 YLS Board Meeting,
Noon, Schell Bray
- September 20 Submission Deadline
for October Newsletter
- September 19 Member Meeting,
12:30 PM, Greensboro Country Club

[Click to keep up with GBA Events Online](#)

[Click Here for Legal Community Events](#)

VOLUNTEER AT POTTER'S HOUSE

Volunteers are needed to serve food to the less fortunate at the Urban Ministry's Potter's House.

Shifts are from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Dates to be announced soon. This is a great opportunity to give back to the community in the company of fellow bar members.

Please email Molly Hilburn-Holte at molly.a.hilburn-holte@nccourts.org if you are able to help. Write POTTER'S HOUSE in the subject line.

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WELLNESS COMES IN ALL SIZES

Wherever lawyers and legal professionals are gathered, you will find stressful and challenging places to work. Fortunately, there is more awareness of wellness programs and solutions than ever before. Wellness can show up in a new product, tool, app, or practice.

Here are a few of my wellness solutions that are helping me manage stress.

I am loving my Teknion height adjustable desk. As I write this column, I am actually standing. It's a great way to move around more during the day from the standard "sit in front of my computer" pose. I find that standing at my desk works my core and keeps me more mindful of my posture. If your budget doesn't allow for a height adjustable desk, make your own. Stack some items on your desk and raise your keyboard or buy a less expensive height adjustable converter.

My Fitbit died in 2018, and I finally bought a new one a few weeks ago. I bought the Fitbit Charge 3 and I love it. This advanced fitness tracker does so much more than track my steps, it monitors heart rate, all day calorie burn, all day activity tracking, reminders to move, sleep tracking, touchscreen, and smartphone notifications. I find I move more during the day with the reminders set to get me out of my seat (or my standing position) every hour.

While I don't feel I've mastered meditation, I am practicing much more frequently. I enjoy the Headspace App and I can set a reminder to mediate for a few minutes at an appointed time during the day. While I do this infrequently, it is a nice calm in the middle of a busy afternoon. With a little trial and error, I have found my best time to mediate is before bed. I use the Insight Timer App. Insight Timer has more free meditations than most other Apps I have tried. There are guided meditations, music, timed meditations, and courses. While there is a free trial on the home page of the App, simply scrolling down and tapping opens 24,000 free meditations that are designed for specific purposes such as dealing with anxiety, boosting your self-esteem, or improving your sleep.

It seems that everyone is Marie Kondo-ing their clutter, and I'm not immune to the

challenge. In May, Lawyers Mutual moved offices, all the way across the parking lot from Weston II to Weston I. I love our new space. It is light filled and modern. The best part of the move was also the hardest part, the office purge. We had multiple purge parties this year as we continue to move towards being a paperless office. I don't think Warren Savage will mind me sharing, but Warren and I love our paper. And our offices were full of it. On bookshelves, the desk, the table, the floor. We had paper everywhere. And I can't speak for Warren, but I was not that person who could say, "I know where everything is."

I actually knew where nothing was. I could never find anything. That fabulous manuscript I wanted to go back to and reference? No clue where to find it. That great article that I printed and hole punched and considered putting in a notebook? Nope, can't find that either. The hotel registration I printed out just in case? Beats me.

The purge was painful. At one point, I had to stop looking at the paper (because I wanted it all) and just start tossing it in the blue recycle bins. And on my many trips to the bins, I most often found Warren standing there with his papers in hand, also trying to decide whether to let go. On one of my trips, Warren was standing there with his BARBRI study guides. Yes, you read that correctly, his BARBRI STUDY GUIDES. From 1996. The good news is that both Warren and I Kondo-d our space. He released the study guides, as I released tons of paper and clutter into the recycle bins, the trash cans, and the donate boxes.

I'm benefiting from less paper and it is directly related to my wellness. As I was forced to get my electronic files in good order and pare the paper down to the necessities, the resulting calm not only made my office look better, it made me feel better. My workspace is more of an oasis than a Bermuda Triangle and I feel calmer and more in control.

I'm a fan of time management tips, articles, and books. My writing coach, Daphne Gray-Grant, recently wrote about a process for establishing a shutdown ritual, her way of transitioning out of the workday. As she describes it, her shutdown routine focuses on tasks that require low energy, don't need

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Andrew Steffensen is President of the Greensboro Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section and is an attorney with Schell Bray PLLC.

Young Lawyers Section: Connections

The Young Lawyers Section is excited to kick off the 2019-2020 year! We have several events planned, and we are excited about incorporating new activities into our schedule of events.

Backpack Beginnings

Our first charitable event this year will be a partnership with Backpack Beginnings to fill backpacks as part of the Comfort Backpack Program. These backpacks will offer care, comfort, and basic necessities, including blankets, stuffed animals, books, hygiene products, school supplies, and more. The backpacks will be provided to abused/neglected, homeless, foster, and refugee children in Guilford County. This is always a very fun and rewarding event. We will be meeting on Thursday, September 12 at 3:30 pm at Backpack Beginnings, 3707-D Alliance Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407. To RSVP for this event, please email me at asteffensensen@schellbray.com.

Networking and Happy Hour

Immediately following the Backpack Beginnings event, we will convene at Fat Dog's Grille and Pub. If you can't attend the Backpack Beginnings event, please plan to meet us at Fat Dog's from 5:45-8:00 pm. We will provide the drinks and some light snacks.

Swearing-In Ceremony

YLS is planning on holding a swearing-in ceremony for newly licensed attorneys in early October. The date of the swearing-in ceremony will be announced once it is confirmed. As always, we encourage all members of the GBA to join us and support our newly licensed attorneys. If you are a newly licensed attorney or you know a newly licensed attorney who would like to participate, please e-mail Kristen Redman at kredman@tuggleduggins.com to receive the application materials. The application materials should be available by mid-September.

Connect with Us

Do you have an idea for a YLS event? Please let us know! E-mail me at asteffensensen@schellbray.com to share your ideas.

Do you want more information about upcoming YLS events or to find out how you can get involved? Check out our website at www.greensboroyls.org. Also follow us on [Facebook \(Greensboro Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section\)](#). Email Gabe Synder at gabegsnyder@gmail.com to get on our email list. We look forward to connecting with you!

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a lot of brainpower, help with organization, and allow her to feel ready to take a break from her work at the end of a busy day. Her ritual is written on a clipboard beside her keyboard and includes eight steps. It generally takes her 30 minutes at the end of her day. Her steps include things such as responding to her coaching class members, responding to social media, tracking product sales, and reviewing bank accounts.

My newly established shutdown ritual involves 4 steps: update my calendar, eliminate Post-It notes by doing the task or moving it to my calendar, update my "to-do" list and schedule my "3 most important things" for the following day. I plan my shutdown ritual for the last 30

minutes of my day. It allows me to leave the office feeling in control of my desk and knowing that when I walk in the next morning, I won't start the day overwhelmed.

It should not be surprising, but these wellness solutions feel great. I hope you will take some time to determine what wellness solutions you can apply to your professional and personal life.

Camille Stell is the President of Lawyers Mutual Consulting & Services. Continue this conversation by contacting Camille at camille@lawyersmutualconsulting.com or 800.662.8843.

GBA/24TH JDB ANNOUNCES **NEW** EMAIL ADDRESS

New address must be added to your contacts (whitelisted).

The new email address for GBA and JD24 is admin@greensborobar.org.

To ensure all members of GBA and JD24 are able to receive emails containing dues and election notices, event registrations and announcements, immediate steps must be taken:

1. Copy admin@greensborobar.org and paste in your contact list.
2. Ask your IT department to whitelist admin@greensborobar.org and the following URLs from Constant Contact (GBA's third-party email provider):
 - constantcontact.com
 - r20.rs6.net
 - rs6.net
 - s3.amazon.com
 - files.ctctcdn.com
 - files.constantcontact.com

If the program allows IP addresses, have your contact add this Constant Contact IP address to the whitelist:

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Please contact [Diane Lowe, GBA and JD24 Administrator](#) should you have any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date for our GBA Annual CLE on Technology and Data Privacy

When: February 20, 2020

Where: Starmount Country Club

Time: Afternoon before the GBA member dinner

PREET BHARARA COMING TO THE CAROLINA THEATRE

Preet Bharara
Distinguished Leadership Lecture Series
Presented by The Joseph M. Bryan Foundation

Thursday, October 10, 6:30 p.m.

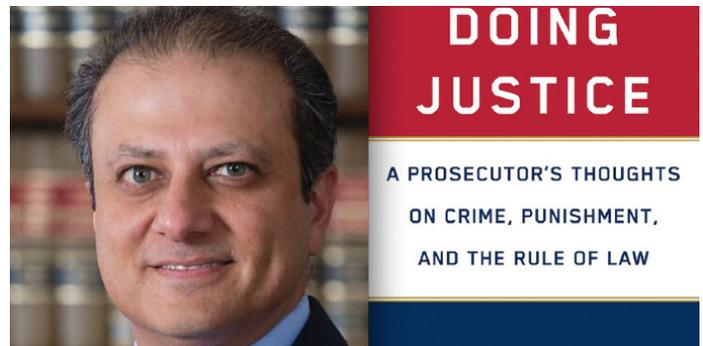
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For tickets call the Carolina Theatre Box Office at
336.333.2605

For more information visit <https://carolinatheatre.com/event/elon-laws-distinguished-leadership-lecture/>

Tickets are now on sale to see Preet Bharara, a former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York who prosecuted terrorists, drug cartels, arms traffickers, money launderers, insider traders, and corrupt public officials. He visits October 10 at 6:30 p.m. for a talk at the Carolina Theatre presented by The Joseph M. Bryan Foundation. Tickets are \$15 each (plus tax).

Bharara is the latest addition to an Elon University line-up of speakers of international prominence invited to encourage and promote discussion and thought during the upcoming academic year on the theme of "Quest for Truth." The Elon University Speaker Series is supported by The News & Observer, The Charlotte Observer, and The Herald-Sun.

Nominated to the position by President Barack Obama, Bharara served as U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York from 2009 to 2017, earning a reputation as one of "the nation's most aggressive and outspoken prosecutors," according to The New York Times. On March 19, 2019, Bharara's book "Doing Justice: A Prosecutor's Thoughts on Crime, Punishment, and the Rule of Law" was published by Knopf and debuted at #4 on The New York Times bestseller list. It offers an overview of the American justice system, and why the rule of law is essential to society.



Preet Bharara

REID PHILLIPS RECEIVES CHIEF JUSTICE I. BEVERLY LAKE JR. PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

Brooks Pierce managing partner Reid Phillips was honored by the North Carolina Bar Association (NCBA) with its 2019 Chief Justice I. Beverly Lake Jr. Public Service Award (Lake Service Award). The award was presented at the NCBA's annual meeting in Asheville, North Carolina.

The Lake Service Award recognizes an outstanding lawyer who has performed exemplary public service and who has made significant contributions to the legal profession. Phillips was nominated by the Past Presidents' Council and unanimously selected by the NCBA Board of Governors.

A trial lawyer for more than 40 years, Phillips represents large companies in complex business disputes. He was named managing partner of Brooks Pierce in 2016. Phillips has given generously of his time to the advancement of the legal profession. Over his career, he has served as a member of the North Carolina Board of Law Examiners and chair of the NCBA's Strategic Planning and Emerging Trends Committee. He has chaired the NCBA's Young Lawyers Division and served on the association's board of governors and executive committee. He was recently elected as a vice president of the NCBA.

Phillips has served as chair of the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro, chair of the Greensboro YMCA board of directors, and chair of the War Memorial Commission, which oversees the Greensboro Coliseum complex. He also has been chair of the board of directors for the Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art, and a member of the board of the Weatherspoon Art Museum Association. He counts among his most satisfying projects his involvement in the creation of the Greensboro Aquatics Center, planning and construction of the LeBauer Park, and the expansion of the Haw River State Park.



2019 Chief Justice I. Beverly Lake Jr. Public Service Award recipient Reid Phillips

Among his previous awards and recognitions, Phillips has received Leadership Greensboro's Denise E. Maleska Leadership Service Award and the Greensboro Bar Association's Distinguished Service Award. In 2017, North Carolina Lawyers Weekly named Phillips one of its "Leaders in the Law." He has also been recognized by The Best Lawyers in America, North Carolina Super Lawyers, Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite," Chambers USA and Benchmark Litigation, and he is a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

BROOKS PIERCE PARTNER APPOINTED TO UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF VISITORS



Bob Saunders

Brooks Pierce partner and University of North Carolina alumnus Bob Saunders was recently appointed to the UNC Board of Visitors. His four-year term begins July 1.

The board of visitors is an active group of volunteers, assisting the board of trustees and chancellor in activities that help advance the university, including public relations, government relations and fund raising. The board of visitors' members serve as ambassadors,

informing members of their communities about what is going on at UNC and, in turn, keeping the administration informed about what is being said about the university.

Saunders focuses his practice primarily on tax-exempt organizations, both charitable and non-charitable, and counsels them on issues related to governance, tax, restructuring and tax-exempt financing. He has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America® in Nonprofit/Charity Law as well as Tax Controversy Law since 2010. Saunders is a former board chair for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce and is currently the board vice chair for the Carol Woods Retirement Community. He is a long-time lecturer for the master of public affairs program at UNC Greensboro and is a regular speaker on tax and nonprofit law matters.

BROOKS PIERCE WELCOMES NEW ASSOCIATE TO THE GREENSBORO OFFICE



Josh Lingerfelt

Leading North Carolina law firm Brooks Pierce is excited to announce that Josh Lingerfelt has joined the firm as an associate in the Greensboro office. Lingerfelt will focus his work on tax issues related to investment funds and securities offerings, as well as mergers and acquisitions and complex domestic and international transactions.

“We are pleased to welcome another talented attorney to our firm,” said Brooks Pierce managing partner Reid Phillips.

“Josh’s background and expertise will greatly benefit our clients with tax, investment and corporate structuring questions and needs.”

Lingerfelt has experience assisting investment fund sponsors of all sizes in forming different kinds of funds, including private equity, credit, real estate, alternative assets and hedge funds. His work includes advising on tax structure, drafting disclosure and organizational documents and negotiating side letters with investors. A former New York tax attorney, he has experience counseling clients through the federal income tax implications of a range of corporate transactions and complex tax issues. He is admitted to practice in New York and will seek admission to the North Carolina State Bar.

Lingerfelt earned his bachelor’s degree in mathematics and economics from Reed College and his juris doctorate from Columbia University.

ATTORNEY MANISHA P. PATEL HONORED AS VIRGINIA TECH COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

In May 2019, Attorney Manisha P. Patel was honored as the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) Department of Economics 2019 Commencement Speaker. Attorney Patel holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and a Bachelor of Arts in History from Virginia Tech. Patel spoke to the Class of 2019 and not only spoke of her journey from a fourteen-year-old declaring to her family that she was going to be a lawyer but also provided three areas of advice for the graduates to hold onto as they leave their undergraduate years. First, Patel asked the graduates to know and value their education. Second, Patel spoke to the notion of GRIT, Angela Duckworth’s trait that is defined as “the passion and perseverance toward a goal despite being confronted by significant obstacles and distractions,” and described the challenges of law school and eventual struggles with the NC bar exam. Finally, Attorney Patel spoke to the university motto, “That I May Serve,” as one of her lifelong moral guideposts for her professional and personal lives.



Virginia Tech Department of Economics Chair, Sudipta Sarangi, Attorney Manisha P. Patel, Dean of the College of Science at Virginia Tech Sally Morton

Full speech can be viewed at the following links:

Part 1: <https://youtu.be/Cvj-iJ6rcWI>

Part 2: <https://youtu.be/AZOEVHMGcWo>

MANISHA P. PATEL NAMED NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION'S (NCBA) YOUNG LAWYER PRO BONO ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR



North Carolina Bar Association's Young Lawyer Pro Bono Attorney of the Year Manisha P. Patel, seated center

On June 20, 2019, Attorney Manisha P. Patel was named the North Carolina Bar Association's Young Lawyer Pro Bono Attorney of the Year at the 2019 NCBA Annual Meeting at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina. Attorney Patel was selected for her significant pro bono service through Legal Aid of North Carolina, the North Carolina Justice Center and the power of attorney clinics for immigrant residents, and serving in the North Carolina Bar Foundation's signature pro bono programs, Free Legal Answers and 4ALL. Earlier this year, Patel was sworn in as a volunteer Guardian ad Litem for Guilford County so that she can provide support and assistance to some of the state's most vulnerable children. In addition to maintaining her solo law practice, Patel gives substantial time to pro bono clients and programs throughout North Carolina.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Employment & Labor Attorney - Greensboro, NC

Nexsen Pruet is seeking a highly motivated **Attorney** to join their growing **Employment & Labor Practice Group** in their **Greensboro, North Carolina** office.

Successful candidates should possess:

- 8+ years of Employment and Labor experience
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- Resume
- Salary history
- Transcript

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CONNORS MORGAN ANNOUNCES NEW ASSOCIATE



Jonathan Michael Parisi

Connors Morgan is proud to welcome its newest employee—Jonathan Michael Parisi. Jonathan joins us as an Associate Attorney after graduating from Elon University School of Law. He concentrates his practice in the areas of general business, contracts, and commercial real estate, and is nearing completion of his Master of Business Administration degree from Elon University. We celebrate with him and welcome him to the Connors Morgan team!

J. MICHAEL THOMAS RETURNS TO SOLO PRACTICE

J. Michael Thomas announces that he has returned to solo practice effective July 1, 2019, following the dissolution of Sparrow Dennis & Medlin PA.

Mr. Thomas will continue to represent clients in commercial litigation, with an emphasis on construction law, and in local land use and code enforcement issues, save and except for the Towns of Oak Ridge and Pleasant Garden, for whom he serves as town attorney.



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COUNT ME IN FOR 2019-20 COMMITTEE SERVICE

If you would like to serve on a GBA committee for the 2019-20 FY, **please indicate up to three preferences by placing 1, 2 or 3 by your choices below (1 being your 1st choice, etc.).** If you currently serve on a committee and would like to continue, we ask that you also complete and return this form.

[See following page for list of committee descriptions]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Awards & Recognitions | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Party |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Aid Fundraiser |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLE/Colloquium | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary School Project | <input type="checkbox"/> Memorials |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Wellness | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Herb Falk Society | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Point Bar Liaison | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History & Archives | <input type="checkbox"/> GBA Signature <i>Pro Bono</i> Project:
The Second Chance Project |

Committee(s) on which you currently serve: _____

I am interested in chairing the _____ committee(s).

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Diane Lowe, GBA Administrator

By Mail: PO Box 1825, Greensboro, NC 27402

By Email: Admin@greensborobar.org



Committee Descriptions

- **Awards & Recognitions**-Researches and makes recommendations to the Executive Board for annual awards, award recipients, and member recognitions.
- **Community Involvement**-Recommends community service projects to the Association to adopt and runs such projects.
- **CLE**-Plans and presents the Association's CLE programs for the coming year; expands and enhances the number of CLE offerings of GBA.
- **Elementary School Project**-Arranges a program or project for benefit of students to enhance interest in learning; coordinates the holiday Elementary Book drive for each student to receive the gift of a book.
- **Herb Falk Society**-Serves as a conduit for attorneys to quantify their pro bono services and be recognized for such efforts by carrying the designation as a Herb Falk Fellow. The terms and conditions that will govern this initiative will be recommended by this committee and accepted by the Association before it is instituted.
- **Health & Wellness**-Recommends a health & wellness project for the GBA to adopt and implements such project.
- **High Point Bar Liaison**-Plans events and collaborative projects with the High Point Bar.
- **History & Archives**-Conducts interviews with senior members of the Association; preserves GBA history and records.
- **Holiday Party**-Decides on location, prepares invitations, plans menus, prizes and entertainment for the annual holiday party.
- **Legal Aid Fundraiser**-Identifies a fundraiser project to benefit Legal Aid of NC, and organizes the event.
- **Membership**-Recruits, retains, and engages members through information, involvement in GBA committees and events, and membership meetings.
- **Memorials**-Monitors newspaper obituaries and contacts members regarding deceased members; arranges for notice to members for special seating if funeral (if applicable); arranges to present memorial to the family at a membership meeting; maintains archives.
- **Newsletter**-Publishes 9 issues per year, sends notices to officers and committee chairs, solicits/ writes articles, advises and assists with publication of directory.
- **Nominating**-Presents a slate of candidates for new officers and 3 new directors for the upcoming year, to be presented to the Executive Committee in March, published in the newsletter, and voted on at the April Business Meeting of the Association.
- **Public Relations**-Serves as a liaison between the news media and the GBA, promotes the publication of good news about GBA and its members in the news media, and updates the GBA website and blog.
- **The Second Chance Project**-The GBA's Signature Pro Bono project, which assists Legal Aid referred clients in obtaining expunctions of criminal records

GREENSBORO BAR ASSOCIATION

2019-20 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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