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★ MONTHLY MEETING ★

JUDGES' NIGHT

Wednesday, September 13, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
The Columbus Club – 8 East 69th Street, NY, NY

**Come join with us as we honor our
Italian-American Judiciary!**

**\$125.00 per person
Cocktails and Dinner
Seating limited to
Columbian Lawyers Association Members Only**

★ Don't Miss This Occasion! ★

Go to www.judgesnight.com to register

★ JUNE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER ★ HUGE SUCCESS

Our Scholarship Fundraiser held on Wednesday, June 21st was a tremendous success due to the diligence and hard work of Tracy Pulito, Esq. and Andrew Maggio, Esq. We enjoyed a wine tasting along with a very informative olive oil tasting. There were raffles and a silent auction for some great items. Our sincere gratitude to them for all of their hard work. The Columbian Lawyers Association Scholarship Program truly benefited from this exciting and entertaining event by raising over \$10,000.00.

★★★ MONTHLY MEETINGS, CLE & SPECIAL PROGRAMS ★★★

**OCTOBER 4th – CLE: “Condominium Conversions
A Landlord's and Tenant's Perspective”**

OCTOBER 9th – March with us in the Columbus Day Parade

**NOVEMBER 1st – CLE: “Great Lawyers in Their Own Words: The Art of
Opening & Closing Statements”**

DECEMBER 14th – Annual Christmas Party

The Columbian Lawyers Association has been certified by the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board as an accredited Provider of Continuing Legal Education in the State of New York, for the period April 9, 2004 through April 8, 2007. Any participant in a CLE Program sponsored by the Columbian Lawyers Association, First Judicial Department, who has an authentic financial hardship may request, in writing, accompanied by proper documentation and a sworn statement under oath, a Hardship Tuition Reduction of 20%. All CLE Programs are nontransitional unless otherwise indicated.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope everyone is enjoying these last days of summer, it certainly has passed quickly.

Our final meeting before the summer was our annual fundraiser which was a tremendous success. It was a standing room only crowd that drank wine, tasted olive oil and raised over \$10,000.00 for our Scholarship Fund. Having both prior and current scholarship recipients present demonstrated the impact of our fundraising efforts. More recently on August 17th, a contingent of our members played hooky from work and enjoyed a beautiful day at Yankee Stadium.

We will kick off the second half of the year with Judges' Night on September 13th at the Columbus Club. We expect another high turnout from our Judges. On October 4, 2006 we will have a CLE lecture on Real Estate law and on October 9th we will once again join together for the march up Fifth Avenue to lead the Columbus Day Parade. November 1, 2006 will be a great CLE on trial openings and summations and we will conclude the year's activities on December 14, 2006 with our annual Christmas Party.

I thank everyone for their hard work and participation and look forward to a productive fall season.

**Arthur L. Aidala,
President (212) 486-0011**

CONGRATULATIONS

New York State Supreme Court Justice and former Rapallo Award recipient Michael Corriero has just authored a book based on his experiences at the helm of the Juvenile Criminal Court Part in New York County. The book, entitled Judging Children as Children: A Proposal for Juvenile Justice was published by Temple University Press. We look forward to Judge Corriero's January CLE lecture on the topic.

DUES, DUES, DUES

This month, notices went out to those who have yet to pay their 2006 dues. If you have already sent in the dues, please disregard the notice and I thank you. If you do fall into that category, please take the time to mail your check now.

TWO COLUMBIAN LAWYERS MEMBERS APPOINTED!

Long standing Member, the Hon. Margaret Parisi McGowan, until recently a Judge of the Housing Part of the Civil Court of the City of New York, has been appointed to Family Court.

Our good friend and long time Member Lou Villella, the recent court attorney to Judge Lydia Lai, was appointed Judge of the Housing Part of the Civil Court of the City of New York on Wednesday August 16th. Congratulations to you both!

U.S. Supreme Court Justices **Antonin Scalia** and **Samuel Alito, Jr.**

will be joined by Hon. **William S. Sessions**, and other distinguished judges

to discuss the topic, “**Judicial Independence**,” at a legal conference

Date: October 21, 2006 at 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Place: Hilton Washington & Towers, 1919 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, D.C.

Sponsors: **The National Italian American Foundation’s Institute for International Law and The National Italian American Bar Association.** The event is held in conjunction with the NIAF 31st Anniversary Convention and Gala Weekend.

To register or for more information, visit www.niaf.org/LegalConference

Contact: Kristi Pappalardo at 202/939-3109 or kristina@niaf.org.

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June 2006 Scholarship Fundraiser



Vincent LeVoci, Louis Aidala, Lorraine Corsa and Frank Mangiatordi



Lorraine Corsa, Sigismondo Renda, Jennifer Panciera, Richard Biaggi and Arthur Aidala



Louis Aidala, Marie Cangioli, Ronald Zezzima and Peter Cangioli



Guest of Lorraine Corsa, Lorraine Corsa and Gabrielle Corsa



Arthur Aidala and Sigismondo Renda with NY Giant's Tiki Barber's All-Star Jersey



Anthony, Lorraine and Louis Cuoco with their Tiki Barber Bobblehead Doll

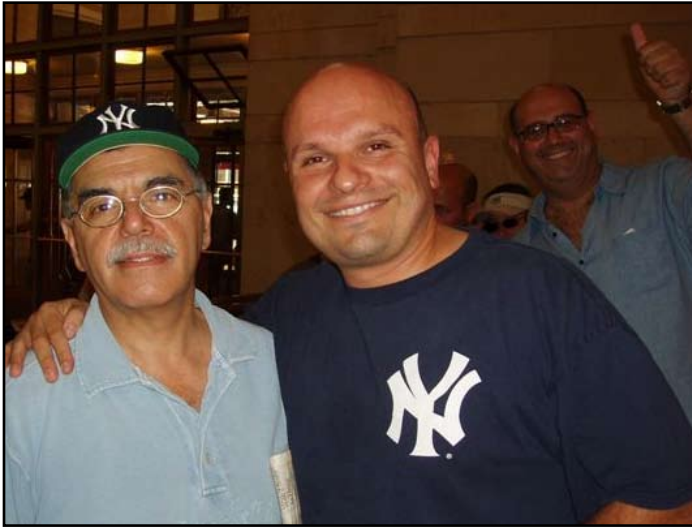


Matt Greico



Katherine Kinkela, Rosa Pietanza, Diane Caminiti, Mary Ann Aidala, Ann Marie DiLorenzo, Marianne Bertuna and Cathy Cuttita

On August 17th the Columbian Lawyers took a field trip to Yankee Stadium where, unfortunately, the Yankees were defeated by the Baltimore Orioles. We'd like to thank Board member Irma Clemente and Regal Title Agency for securing us the awesome seats.



Tom Laquercia, Arthur Aidala and Sigismondo Renda



Vincent Cuttita, Jennifer Panciera and Tom Laquercia



Judge Michael Pesce, Richard Biaggi, Louis Aidala and Mary Ann Aidala



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