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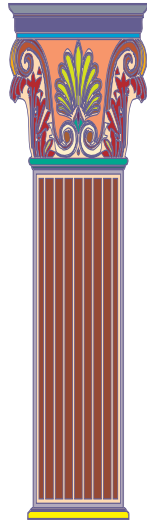
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★ 8th ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER ★



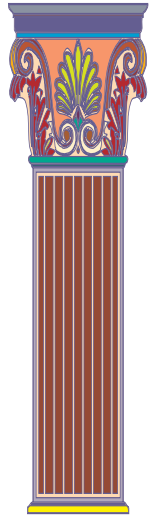
WHEN: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2010, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

WHERE: COLUMBUS CITIZENS' FOUNDATION, 8 EAST 69TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY, NY

WHY: SO THAT ITALIAN-AMERICANS WHO ASPIRE TO JOIN OUR PROFESSION CAN GET THROUGH LAW SCHOOL WITHOUT MORTGAGING THEIR FUTURES!!!

PRICE: \$95.00 (open bar, hor d'oeuvres, buffet, entertainment, blind auction, raffles, etc)

RSVP to Marianne Bertuna at 212-486-0011 or bertunaesq@aidalalaw.com.
Payments will be accepted at the door.



Please join us for this year's scholarship fundraiser, at which we can all take a break from CLE, and enjoy each other's company along with some great food, wine, first rate entertainment and blind auction shopping. Most importantly, we will be raising money for our Scholarship Fund, which assists aspiring Italian-American Attorneys get through law school. Among this year's highlights will be:

- * An operatic performance by soprano Deborah Dee.
- * A wine tasting provided once again by Robert Varbaro of the Sound Shore Liquor Pantry, 800 East Boston Post Road, Mamaroneck, NY.
- * Colavita Olive Oil Tasting
- * A silent auction including the following items, and many others:
 - Wine Making Classes at Make Your Own Wine, Elmsford, New York, in which you will make two cases of delicious custom labeled wine.
 - Yankees Tickets
 - Opera and Ballet Tickets
 - Alta Cucina Epicurean Society Italian goody basket
 - Cooking Classes at the Alta Cucina Epicurean Center
 - Memberships in Alta Cucina Epicurean Society
 - Broadway Tickets to "Fences" (sold out)
 - Manicure and Hairstyling at Madison Avenue Salon
 - Haircut and Blow Dry at Dramatics
 - Men's Haircuts by the One and Only "Pino", of 99 Park Avenue, NY, NY
 - A Day at the Races at Monmouth Park - including entry fee, buffet and open bar - sponsored by The Columbian Foundation of New Jersey
 - Italian Lessons
 - Down Comforters and Pillows
 - Assorted Jewelry and Watches
 - Two Wills for Husband & Wife prepared by a renowned attorney!
 - Liquor/Wine Basket donated by Park Avenue Liquors
 - Leather Upholstered Day Lounger, donated by Carlyle Convertibles
- * 50/50 Raffle

**SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 24, 2010 - 2 CREDIT FREE
CLE PROGRAM PROVIDED TO COLUMBIAN
LAWYERS BY MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY**

TITLE: Litigation Settlement Planning for Persons with Disabilities
WHEN: JUNE 24, 2010, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
WHERE: 522 Fifth Avenue, 7th floor, New York, New York (at c/o 44th street)
RSVP: Contact Joseph DeMatteo at 212-661-1661 or josephdematteo@hotmail.com

We are pleased to announce that our dear friend Joanna Capobianco, who is a Second VP and Financial Adviser at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, will once again host a free CLE program for Columbian Lawyers. The program will be of special interest to those attorneys who obtain settlements on behalf of individuals with disabilities and will discuss the use of such tools as Medicare Set Aside Arrangements, Structured Settlement Annuities, First Party Special Needs Trusts and Qualified Settlement Funds. Light refreshments will be served.

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 (Recertification application pending). 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 Message

As summer quickly approaches, I would like to thank our friends and members for making the first half of 2010 a great success for the Columbian Lawyers Association, First Judicial Department. During these past months we have enjoyed each other's company at five excellent CLE programs. We conducted one of New York's best attended bar association events - the Rapallo Award Luncheon - at which we gathered together nearly 600 people to celebrate the achievements of Italian Americans in our profession. We recently had our members sit on two Democratic Party Judicial Screening panels. We have also done much to support the appointment and election of qualified attorneys of Italian American ancestry to the bench.

During the past six months we have also awarded scholarship money to ten students. Given the rising price of law school tuition and all the related expenses, we would very much like to increase the size and/or the number of the scholarships that we grant. Each of you have an opportunity to further this important goal by coming to our Scholarship Fundraiser on June 2nd and bidding on some of the exiting items that will be on display. If you cannot make it, please make a donation directly to our Scholarship Fund, by writing a check to the Columbian Lawyer's Scholarship Fund, and addressing it to Columbian Lawyers Association, 8 East 69th Street, New York, NY 10021. We need your support!

Lastly, as each of you enjoy the summer months, please keep an eye out for additional announcements. You will be receiving information about Judge's Night, which will be held in early September, and possibly about some less formal gatherings and cultural events over the summer.

Ciao!
Sincerely yours,
Joseph R. DeMatteo

Upcoming Events of Interest:

Brooklyn Columbian Lawyers Annual Installation Dinner Dance

June 11, 2010, 6:30 PM,

El Caribe, 5945 Strickland Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

\$125 per tickets

RSVP by sending check to:

Brooklyn Columbian Lawyers Association

142 Joralemon Street

Brooklyn, NY 11201

Italian Cinema

Walter Reade Theater, Lincoln Center

165 West 65th Street (Upper Level) b/w Broadway and Amsterdam

June 3rd through 10th

16 new award-winning Italian films

General public \$12; seniors and students \$8

Order on line and be entered to win round trip tickets

to Milan on American Airlines

For list of films and times go to www.filmlinc.com

Concert by Fabio Montomoli

Nel Paese del Sole (In the Country of the Sun)

Italian Cultural Institute

686 Park Avenue b/w 68th and 69th Streets

June 7th at 7:00 PM

Guitar arrangements of Rossini, Scarlatti, and Neapolitan songs

Suggested donation \$10

Concert by Luca Fiornetini, the first cellist at La Scala, and Teresa Tevisan, pianist

Italian Cultural Institute

June 15th at 7:00 PM

Suggested donation \$10

Ballet Performance

World premiere of Luce Nascosta (Hidden Light)

by Mauro Bigonzetti

New York City Ballet

20 Lincoln Center (62nd Street and Columbus Avenue)

June 10th (8 PM), 12th (2 and 8 PM), 18th (8 PM) & 19th (2 PM)

www.nycballet.com/aod

212-870-5570

Cultural Corner

By Matthew Grieco

June 2nd marks the Italian national holiday la Festa della Repubblica, the Festival of the Republic, celebrating the abolition of the monarchy and the inauguration of a republican form of government, by popular referendum in 1946.

The Italian Republic is a parliamentary system, with a bicameral legislature, consisting of a 630-member Chamber of Deputies, and a 315-member Senate. The executive branch is split between a President, the head of state, with ceremonial and important appointive powers, and a Prime Minister, who runs the day-to-day affairs. The independent judiciary is composed of trial courts, appellate courts, and a Supreme Court of Cassation, although there is a separate Constitutional Court which determines issues of constitutionality.

Italy is divided into 20 Regions, roughly equivalent to our States: Abruzzo, Apulia (Puglia), Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Emilia-Romagna, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Latium (Lazio), Liguria, Lombardy (Lombardia), Marche, Molise, Piedmont (Piemonte), Sardinia (Sardegna), Sicily (Sicilia), Trentino-Alto Adige, Tuscany (Toscana), Umbria, Valle d'Aosta, and Veneto. The regions are divided into provinces (110), and the provinces into municipalities (8,100).

Within the geographical boundaries of Italy is another republic, the independent nation of San Marino.

In fact, the Republic of San Marino is the oldest republic in the world. By tradition, it was founded in 301AD by St. Marinus, a stonecutter who fled the persecution of Christians by the Emperor Diocletian and sought refuge on Mt. Titano, near Rimini. He attracted followers, and on his deathbed told his community: "I leave you free from any other man" (*relinquo vos liberos ab utroque homine*). Initially governed by the heads of all the families, San Marino instituted a republican form of government in 1243. The executive office consists of two co-equal Captains-Regent, elected every six months.

True to its heritage as a safe haven, San Marino sheltered Garibaldi from Austrian troops in 1849, for which act its freedom was recognized by Italy.

San Marino is 23.6 square miles, roughly one-third the size of the District of Columbia, and has a population of just under 32,000.