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From The President

by Don Armand, darmand@padwbc.com

SBA Trial Academy

"By not trying the small cases, the lawyers don't get the courtroom experience. So when the huge, bet-the-company cases come along, there are only a handful of trial lawyers who can handle it. That's why these big corporations still call us old-timers every day." – Joe Jamail

I was blessed to start my litigation practice at a time when defense lawyers were assigned a lot of cases, including many "small cases" – civil suits with less than \$50,000 in dispute, which we tried to judges in state district and city courts all over north and central Louisiana. Of course, they weren't "small cases" to the parties, not to us as young lawyers. For us they were thrilling, challenging, exciting and satisfying. In preparing for and trying those cases, we learned to be trial lawyers, to use our personal and legal skills in concert – how to directly examine witnesses, how to cross, how to offer an exhibit, how to lay a foundation for a lay witness opinion, when to object, when not to object, and *how the rules of evidence actually work*. We also had more trials of every kind, in all courts, both to bench and jury.

Joe Jamail's quote above is truer today than it was when he said it. An entire generation of younger lawyers is being deprived of the opportunity to try smaller cases and to participate in any trials at all. And we know this – you don't learn those skills from books. You have to do it to learn it.

Recognizing that need, and in a sincere effort to help, for the sake of the lawyers, courts, and most of all, our clients, the Shreveport Bar Association is proud to sponsor the first Shreveport Bar Association Trial Academy on December 8-9, 2022.

The Academy will offer two days of in-court, real-time trial training, using mock-trial materials, for young lawyers and experienced lawyers looking to refresh and hone their trial skills. Trial exercises will be held in courtrooms in the First JDC and the U.S. Western District, Shreveport Division, and presided over by judges of those courts. Veteran plaintiff and defense trial lawyers will serve as instructors. Participants will conduct opening and closing statements, direct and cross-exams of fact witnesses, direct and cross-exams of expert witnesses, with real-time instruction by the faculty lawyers and judges. Sessions will be videoed with videos provided to participants. At the end of the Academy, we'll celebrate the success of the participants and instructors with a wrap-up cocktail party. Of course, 12.5 hours of CLE credit will be earned.

The response to our initial announcement of the Academy has been overwhelming from lawyers in Shreveport-Bossier and far beyond. So far, at least two Monroe firms are sending multiple young lawyers and we expect more from across north and central Louisiana. And thanks to the support of our great judges, making more courtrooms and themselves available if needed, we can take as many participants as sign up.

We believe this Academy will greatly serve the participants, the courts and our legal system. If we have the success we hope for, this is a program that we will do again. Please sign up! We'll see you in court!

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December CLE
by the Hour

2022 Shreveport Bar Association Trial Academy December 8 & 9, 2022



12.5 Hours CLE Credit

Save the Date
Registration Coming Soon

Academy Highlights

- *We will offer a unique, interactive program with top trial lawyers*
- *Faculty will include expert defense lawyers, plaintiff lawyers, district and federal judges*

Registration Fee

- *Individual Tuition Available*
- *Government Employee Discount*
- *Discount for law firms who enroll 3 or more attendees from the same firm*

The SBA is excited to announce our first Trial Academy. This will be two days of in-court, real-time trial training for young and experienced lawyers looking to refresh and hone their trial skills.

- Instructional sessions in courtrooms at the First Judicial District Court and the U.S. District Court, Western District, Shreveport Division.
- State District and Federal Judges presiding over exercises.
- Veteran plaintiff and defense trial lawyers as instructors.
- Mock-trial case materials provided to all participants.
- Participants will conduct opening and closing statements, direct and cross exams of fact witnesses, and direct and cross-exams of expert witnesses, with real-time instruction by faculty lawyers and judges.
- Sessions will be videoed, and a copy will be provided to participants.
- Wrap-up cocktail party

Tuition: SBA Members - \$550, Non-SBA Members - \$650

Government employee discount - \$50 off full tuition

Law firms that enroll 3 or more attendees from the same law firm will receive a \$25 discount for each attendee. Discount applies when enrolled under one registration. The government employee discount is not eligible for the multiple attendee discount.



Recent Developments By the Judiciary
Sponsored by the Shreveport Bar Association
September 21 & 22, 2022

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13 Louisiana CLE Credit including Ethics & Professionalism
13 Texas Board of Legal Specialization CLE Credit Approved

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

- 7:30 A.M. Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 A.M. FLSA and Other Employment Law Updates**
60 minutes *Meg L. Frazier and Reid Jones - Wiener Weiss & Madison APC*
- 9:30 A.M. Expert Witnesses: Updates and Observations**
60 minutes *Ronald E. Raney- Lunn Irion Law Firm and Lawrence W. Pettiette Jr. - Pettiette, Armand, Dunkelman, Woodley, Byrd & Cromwell*
- 10:30 A.M. Sponsor Break (Refreshments)**
- 10:45 A.M. Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief Act Updates**
60 minutes *Colonel (Ret) John S. Odom Jr.*
- 11:45 A.M. Lunch (included with full registration)**
- 1:00 P.M. Twenty-Sixth JDC Litigation Update**
60 minutes *Judge Parker Self and Judge Lane Pittard - Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court*
- 2:00 P.M. U.S. Supreme Court and Fifth Circuit Court Updates**
90 minutes *Robin McCoy, Whitney Howell, and Chris Slatten - U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana*
- 3:30 P.M. Sponsor Break (Refreshments)**
- 3:45 P.M. Help! My Law Firm's Server was Hacked!**
60 minutes *Charles "Pete" Kammer III - Kammer & Huckabay and John Bullock - Infinity Solutions*

Thursday, September 22, 2022

- 7:30 A.M. Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 A.M. Law Office Management: Legal Technology Update**
90 minutes *John Nickelson - Nickelson Law*
- 10:00 A.M. Sponsor Break (Refreshments)**
- 10:15 A.M. Structuring Personal Injury Settlements**
60 minutes *Alexander Mijalis - Lunn Irion Law Firm and J. Marshall Rice - Rice & Kendig*
- 11:15 A.M. Louisiana Supreme Court and Second Circuit Update**
60 minutes *Judge Shonda Stone and Judge Marcus L. Hunter - Second Circuit Court of Appeal*
- 12:15 P.M. Lunch (included with full registration)**
- 1:15 P.M. Federal Litigation Update**
60 minutes *Judge Terry A. Doughty and Judge James D. Cain Jr. - United States District Court, Western District of Louisiana*
- 2:15 P.M. Sponsor Break (Refreshments)**
- 2:30 P.M. The Ethics of Wellness**
60 minutes *Judge Michael Pitman - First Judicial District Court*
- 3:30 P.M. Professionalism**
60 minutes *Judge Jeff Robinson- Second Circuit Court of Appeal*

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Registration Fees:

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Wednesday Only

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North Louisiana Criminal Law Seminar

For Both
Prosecutors and Defense Attorneys

October 14, 2022

Shreveport Bar Association
625 Texas Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Approved for 6.5 Hours Louisiana CLE Credit
Including 1 Hour of Ethics and 1 Hour Professionalism



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| 8:00 a.m. | Registration | 11:45 a.m. | <i>Lunch Compliments of North Louisiana Chapter of the Federal Bar Association</i> |
| 8:30 a.m.
60 Minutes | Professionalism in Criminal Cases
<i>Sarah Giglio - Gilmer & Giglio LLC and Allison Duncan - U.S. Attorney's Office</i> | 12:30 p.m.
60 Minutes | Ethics in Criminal Cases
<i>U.S. District Judge David Joseph - U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana</i> |
| 9:30 a.m. | Break | 1:30 p.m. | Break |
| 9:35 a.m.
60 Minutes | Interaction of State and Federal Sentences
<i>Mignonne Griffing - U.S. Attorney's Office and Peter Black - Federal Public Defender's Office</i> | 1:40 p.m.
60 Minutes | Writs and Appeals in Criminal Cases
<i>Judge Jeff Thompson and Jennifer Segner - Second Circuit Court of Appeal; and D. Lee Harville - The Harville Law Firm LLC</i> |
| 10:35 a.m. | Break | 2:40 p.m.
90 Minutes | Federal Sentencing Guidelines
<i>Jonathan L. Guthrie (former U.S. Probation Officer) - Eric D. and Eric G. Johnson Law Firm</i> |
| 10:45 a.m.
60 Minutes | DNA Evidence
<i>Katie Traweek - North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory</i> | | |

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SBA Members and Legal Staff of SBA Members
\$300 (after September 14th deadline \$325)

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Please charge to my _____ V _____ MC _____ AMX
Card No. _____
Expiration Date _____ SIC#: _____
Signature _____

Materials:
Electronic - **FREE**

Registration:
Refund until September 14, 2022, less a \$25.00 admin. fee. After September 14, 2022, credit less a \$25.00 admin. fee may be applied to future SBA sponsored CLE for up to one year. Cancellations on the day of the seminar and "no shows" will not receive credit.

Important Note:
A link to the seminar materials will be sent to you via email prior to the seminar. Internet access nor electrical outlets are provided, we ask that you either print or save the PDF materials to your laptop, and fully charge your batteries if you wish to review the materials at the seminar.



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Announcing the 2023 SBA Officers

The Officer-Nominating Committee, consisting of the five immediate past presidents of the Shreveport Bar Association, recently met and nominated the following officers who will serve in 2023.

Vice-President Elizabeth M. Carmody

Secretary-Treasurer Elect Valerie DeLatte

SBA President-Elect Nancy G. Cooper will automatically elevate to the office of President, Kenneth P. Haines to the office of President-Elect, and Anna Brown Priestley will serve as Secretary-Treasurer.

The two Member-At-Large positions (serving in 2023 and 2024) on the Executive Council will be filled by Christopher G. Forester and Sam Crichton.



Nancy Cooper



Kenneth P. Haines



Elizabeth Carmody



Sam Crichton



Christopher G. Forester



Anna Brown Priestley



Valerie DeLatte

FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION - NORTH LA - 9th ANNUAL SPORTING CLAY SHOOT

Friday, October 21, 2022, from 8:00-12:00 at Los Paloma Sporting Range & Event Center, 900 Seven Pines Road, Benton, LA 71006.

Benefitting Operation Bright Holiday at Home for the Holidays

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Team and Event Sponsorships Deadline September 30, 2022

Team: \$1,000.00-Includes 5-person team plus company name/logo on all media press.

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Mail your Team or Individual sign-up Form or Sponsorship with your check made payable to North La Federal Bar Association to: Gregorio, Chafin, Johnson & Tabor, L.L.C., ATTN: Marianne, 9284 Linwood Ave., Shreveport LA 71106. Questions: Call or email Marianne Boston at 865-8680 - mboston@gcj-law.com.

Shreveport Bar Association and Shreveport Bar Foundation Mark A Historical Year

For the first time in the history of the Shreveport Bar Association, attorneys from the same law firm are presidents of the Shreveport Bar Foundation and Shreveport Bar Association, respectively. This year, Larry Pettiette is president of the Shreveport Bar Foundation, and Don Armand is president of the Shreveport Bar Association.

Each has worked hard to advance his respective entity's programs, goals and mission statement. This year, the Shreveport Bar Foundation conducted a Capital Campaign, which resulted in the retirement of the debt on the Shreveport Bar Center building at 625 Texas Street.

Don Armand has moved for an increase in membership, reinvigoration of the monthly Petroleum Club meetings, and implementation of the final details for the first Trial Academy sponsored by the Shreveport Bar Association.

Both are also founding members of Pettiette, Armand, Dunkelman, Woodley, & Cromwell Law Firm celebrating its 25th year. Said Larry Pettiette: "Both organizations of which Don and I have the privilege of being president benefit from the tireless energy, experience, and wisdom of our Executive Director Dana Southern: We are truly blessed to have her as a constant guiding the operations of the many programs of the Shreveport Bar."



Second Circuit Employees Recognized for Service

The Second Circuit Court of Appeal recently recognized employees who reached five-year milestones in their employment with the court. Karen M. Warren, a staff attorney on the court's Central Staff, received a rosewood Post-It® Note dispenser in recognition of 10 years' service. Karen is a graduate of Louisiana Tech (BA, journalism, 1995) and Loyola University New Orleans College of Law (JD, 2011). She has worked on Central Staff since August 2011, under staff directors Mark Tatum, Mike Collum and Molly Able.

Stephanie Lott, a research attorney for Judge Craig Marcotte, received a brass coaster in recognition of five years' service. Stephanie is a graduate of Centenary College (BA, English, 2002) and LSU Law Center (JD, 2016). She came to work as a research attorney for Chief Judge Henry Brown in 2016, then moved to Central Staff and most recently to Judge Marcotte's office after he began his term on April 25, 2022.

Other employees receiving awards were Susan Reeves, judicial assistant to Judge Frances Pitman (25 years, including service under the late Judge Charles R. Peatross and pro-tem Judge Fred Sexton); Sandra Skannal, business services office (10 years); Marlene Enders, judicial assistant to Judge Jeff Cox (five years); and Dep. Kim Rosborough, security (five years).

Blake Roy, deputy clerk of court (10 years), was unable to attend.

The ceremony was held in the courtroom on July 13, 2022. Chief Judge D. Milton Moore III commented that this was the last such event he would attend, as his term expires at the end of 2022. Judges Frances Pitman and Jeff Cox, and staff director Molly Able, shared the honors of presenting the gifts.



Second Circuit recipients included, left to right, Sandra Skannal, Susan Reeves, Dep. Rosborough, Karen Warren, Marlene Enders and Stephanie Lott. (Photo by Hal Odom Jr.)



Shreveport Bar Foundation

by Lawrence W. Pettiette Jr., lpettiette@padwbc.com

WE DID IT!

The membership of the Shreveport Bar Association has paid off the loan on 625 Texas Street, Shreveport Bar Center. The building is debt free, which has huge positive implications for the future of the Shreveport Bar Foundation and its many not-for-profits, pro bono, domestic violence and other related programs, but also for the legal community in the Shreveport Bossier area generally. As you know, this building houses the many programs of the Shreveport Bar Foundation and the executive offices of the Shreveport Bar Association. In addition, the building is open for business for mediations, depositions, gatherings of our lawyers and Justinian Headquarters (by the way, the Krewe of Justinian played a huge role in retiring this debt).

To mark the occasion, we are celebrating on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at the Shreveport Bar Center, of course (open bar and hors d'oeuvres, the cost of which has been underwritten by attorneys privately). Please mark the date and celebrate this very exciting event.

Obviously, with any ownership of any older building concomitant with the retirement of the debt was the realization that half the roof was on the parking lot. We have determined the most economical repair possible, which will be taking place in the near future. A tenant has also requested the parking lot be updated and repairs made, which now we are in the position to accomplish instead of reacting with Frank Panic.

Because of you, we can move forward with a well-maintained state-of-the-art Bar Center like the other major bar associations in Louisiana. We have invited them, including the Louisiana Bar Foundation in New Orleans, to come for our event.

See you there!



DISPLAY YOUR FLAG THIS MARDI GRAS SEASON

Purchase a Justinian flag today. 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the Shreveport Bar Foundation, which provides charitable legal assistance and education to the public through two primary programs: The Pro Bono Project and the Legal Representation for Victims of Domestic Violence Program ("LRVDV").

3' X 5' Double Sided Krewe of Justinian Flag

Price: \$150

Payable to the Krewe of Justinian or Shreveport Bar Foundation. Mail or hand deliver and pick up your flag at 625 Texas Street, Shreveport, LA 71101

The 2022 Louisiana State Bar Association Pro Bono Publico Awards Ceremony was held on May 24 at the Louisiana Supreme Court building. Louisiana Supreme Court Justice Scott Crichton presented the award to Pro Bono Project Coordinator Lucy Espree and Shreveport Bar Foundation Executive Director Dana Southern, accepting the award on behalf of Laura Peterson Butler.



Pictured L-R are Dana Southern, Justice Scott Crichton, and Lucy Espree

We want to thank the following attorneys who accepted one or more Pro Bono cases and volunteered at our monthly Ask A Lawyer clinic for May, June, July and August 2022. Without our volunteer attorneys, we could not provide services to our clients who cannot afford legal assistance.

Christopher Broussard

Broussard & Newlen Law Firm, LLC

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Gordon McKernan Injury Attorneys

Elizabeth M. Carmody

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Valerie DeLatte

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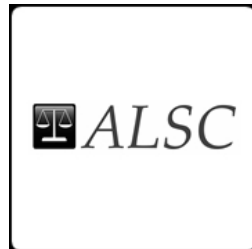
Attorney at Law

Our August Ask A Lawyer clinic's seven attorney volunteers were able to assist 21 people seeking legal advice. Volunteer attorneys were Larry Pettiette, Holland Miciotto, Audrius Reed, Taunton Melville, Coburn Burrough and Kendra Joseph. Thank you for volunteering!



Pictured L-R are Larry Pettiette, Holland Miciotto, Audrius Reed, Taunton Melville, Coburn Burroughs, Chris Broussard and Kendra Joseph

The Shreveport Bar Foundation is able to do all that we do because of the support we receive from our grantors, Louisiana Bar Foundation, Acadiana Legal Services Corporation, The Community Foundation, Carolyn W. and Charles T. Beard Family Foundation, First United Methodist Church, Grayson Foundation and the SBA Krewe of Justinian.





Court Of Appeal Welcomes Law Students

By Judge Jeff Thompson, jthompson@La2nd.org

The Second Circuit Court of Appeal recently completed a summer externship program for law school credit for law students with ties to northwest Louisiana. The court, located in Shreveport, La., exercises supervisory and appellate jurisdiction of civil and criminal matters arising in the 11 state district courts, 10 city courts, one juvenile court and two workers' compensations courts in the state's 20 northernmost parishes between Texas and Mississippi. In 2021, the nine judges of the court handled over 600 appeals and writs.

Chief Judge D. Milton Moore III explained, "We have an obligation to enhance the educational opportunities of law students, and owe it to the profession to make certain new attorneys understand the high standards of professionalism required of them." Coordinating with area law schools, the Second Circuit invited law students from Louisiana State University Law Center, Loyola New Orleans College of Law, Mississippi College School of Law, Southern University Law Center and Tulane University School of Law to apply. Six students were accepted and completed the program.

Students participated in weekly sessions with judges and professional staff attorneys at the court focused on improving legal research and writing skills, understanding the inner workings of Louisiana's legal system, researching writ applications and participating in research and discussion on current opinions. Central Staff attorneys worked closely with the law students on weekly research and writing assignments, imparting real world experiences and challenges.

Students observed oral arguments at the court on a number of cases and legal issues; took field trips to the Webster Parish Courthouse to observe hearings in the 26th JDC; visited and watched proceedings in the First JDC; and sat in on jury selection and a full day of trial at the U.S. District Court for the Western District of La. in Shreveport. "The externship program was greatly enhanced by the tremendous efforts of these partners in the judicial system, and every student had numerous opportunities to learn from seasoned and talented prosecutors and litigators," said Judge Frances J. Pitman, of the Second Circuit.

Each participant was required to devote at least 140 hours of time in educational sessions, legal research and writing projects. The court intends to offer the summer externship program again next year. The court also hopes to inaugurate a "Judges in the Classroom" program during the school year to extend greater understanding of the legal system to area high school students.

Externs start summer program at Second Circuit



Front row, left to right: Austin Townsend, of Natchitoches (Southern University Law Center, rising senior); Lee Dunford, of Bossier City (Loyola University College of Law, rising sophomore); Andrew Franklin, of DeSoto Parish (Miss. College School of Law, rising senior); Allyson Horton, of Shreveport (SULC, rising soph); Alex Whittington, of Benton (Miss. College, rising senior); Riley Robertson Brister, of Franklinton (Miss. College, rising senior); Chase Burgess, of DeSoto Parish (SULC, rising soph), are shown with Judge Frances Pitman in the Second Circuit courtroom on their first day of externship program, May 20, 2022. The curriculum continued through June 24.



Federal Update

by Chris Slatten, Chris_Slatten@lawd.uscourts.gov

Title VII, Pretext, and Summary Judgment

An employment discrimination plaintiff made out a prima facie case of discrimination, but the district judge granted summary judgment based on the employer's explanation that the firing was for poor performance. The plaintiff argued that the employer's claim of poor performance was a pretext for discrimination.

Reeves v. Sanderson Plumbing, 530 U.S. 133 (2000) stated that there will be instances where, although the plaintiff has established a prima facie case and set forth sufficient evidence to reject a defendant's explanation, she still loses because no rational factfinder could conclude that the employer's action was discriminatory.

The 5CA held in *Owens v. Circassia Pharms., Inc.*, 33 F.4th 814 (5th Cir. 2022) that it was such a case. The plaintiff presented summary judgment evidence from which a reasonable juror could find that the employer's proffered justification for terminating her was false/pretextual. But she offered only "scant evidence of discriminatory treatment." Summary judgment for the employer was affirmed. *Owens* will likely be at the center of many summary judgment contests in employment discrimination cases, so study up on it if that is your area of practice.

Service of Amended/Superseding Complaint

"An amended complaint supersedes the original complaint and renders it of no legal effect unless the amended complaint specifically refers to and adopts or incorporates by reference the earlier pleading." *King v. Dogan*, 31 F.3d 344, 346 (5th Cir. 1994). What happens if the plaintiff promptly files such an amended/superseding complaint but then serves only his original complaint? The plaintiff is in a jam because "serving a superseded complaint can have no legal effect." *Carr v. The City of Spring Valley Village*, 2022 WL 1553539 (5th Cir. 2022).

Motion to Dismiss and Qualified Immunity

The 5CA held in *Lion Boulous* that when a defendant files a motion to dismiss based on qualified immunity the court may defer its ruling if further factual development is necessary to ascertain the availability of qualified immunity, and narrowly tailored discovery could be permitted. That holding has been scrapped.

"Call it 'careful,' or call it 'narrow'; either way, today we call *Lion Boulous* and its progeny overruled. The Supreme Court has now made clear that a plaintiff asserting constitutional claims against an officer must survive the motion to dismiss (and the qualified immunity defense) without *any* discovery. Our prior decisions to the contrary are overruled." *Carswell v. Camp*, 37 F.4th 1062 (5th Cir. 2022).

Pro Se Plaintiff and Requests for Admissions

A pro se plaintiff in a car accident case was served with requests for admissions that asked her to admit that she failed to yield, the defendant was not at fault, and she was not entitled to damages. Plaintiff never responded, so the requests were deemed admitted. Defendant used the admissions to obtain summary judgment.

Plaintiff appealed but found no mercy. "We have applied rule 36(b) equally and consistently to represented and pro se parties alike, and we have refused to overlook a party's disregard for deadlines regardless of that party's status." *Poon-Atkins v. Sappington*, 2022 WL 102042 (5th Cir. 2022).

This could be a useful strategy when defending a pro se case. Hit the plaintiff with requests to admit facts that are devastating to his case, and hope he does like many pro se plaintiffs and doesn't bother to respond to the discovery. But it could backfire if your requests educate him on written discovery, and he responds by serving the defense with a pile of requests. And it would not be fun if you relied on the admissions to craft a motion for summary judgment, only to have a tenderhearted judge allow the plaintiff to withdraw his admissions.

Safety Codes and Fault

Plaintiffs will argue that a defendant is liable because a sidewalk, step, etc. was not built in compliance with a building or safety code. Defendants will argue that they are free of fault because their property does comply with codes or regulations. They're both wrong, according to *Brown v. Cinemark USA, Inc.*, 2020 WL 3074419 (W.D. La. 2020).

Brown explains: "Compliance with building codes is only one factor to consider in determining a landowner's liability." *Nugent v. Car Town of Monroe, Inc.*, 206 So.3d 369, 375-76 (La. App. 2d Cir. 2016), citing *Calcagno v. Kuebel, Fuchs Partnership*, 802 So.2d 746, 751 (La. App. 5th Cir. 2001) (faded paint on curb in front of hall created unreasonably dangerous condition even though no building codes were violated). Conversely, a violation of a safety code or regulation does not automatically make the owner liable. "Louisiana law is clear that '[w]hile statutory violations are not in and of themselves definitive of civil liability, they may be guidelines for the court in determining standards of negligence by which civil liability is determined.'" *Jones v. Buck Kreihns Marine Repair, L.L.C.*, 122 So.3d 1181, 1187 (La. App. 4th Cir. 2013), quoting *Smolinski v. Taulli*, 276 So.2d 286, 289 (La. 1973)."



Second Circuit Highlights

by Hal Odom Jr., rhodom@la2nd.org

Chew on this, if you will. Ms. Turner went to the Church's Fried Chicken on DeSiard Street, in Monroe, shortly before closing time and bought two eight-piece boxes of chicken. She took them home, opened the boxes, and it looked fine; she and her houseguests dug in. All reported that their chicken looked, smelled and tasted great, on the first bite; but getting a little deeper, they noticed it was undercooked, raw and bloody; they all spat it out, quit eating, and started feeling nauseated a few hours later. The next day, Ms. Turner tried to return the chicken, but was told that Church's does not "take back" food. Later, they all went to U-Health Conway, where they were diagnosed with food poisoning; doctors told them to drink plenty of water and the symptoms would "wear off." They filed suit against Church's owner in Monroe City Court.

At trial, Ms. Turner admitted that she had also eaten some cereal with milk before they went to the hospital, and two other plaintiffs admitted that they had serious preexisting health issues (heart problems, Hepatitis C, diabetes) that often produce symptoms similar to those of food poisoning. Church's market leader described their cooking process (frying in oil at 340°, 12½ minutes for white meat, 15 minutes for dark, testing with meat thermometer, additional frying if the internal temp is not 185°) and testified that, on the day in question, Church's fried 4,800 pieces of chicken, but nobody else tried to return their food or complained that it was undercooked. The City Court rendered judgment in favor of the plaintiffs, awarding each adult \$2,500 and the minor child \$2,000 in damages. Church's appealed.

The Second Circuit reversed, **Turner v. Cajun Oper. Co.**, 54,471 (La. App. 2 Cir. 5/25/22), in an opinion by Judge Cox. The court set out the law of liability for deleterious food, noting that the plaintiff need not negate every conceivable cause but still must prove a causal link between the food and the illness, *Hairston v. Burger King Corp.*, 33,587 (La. App. 2 Cir. 6/21/00), 764 So. 2d 176. The court then found that the plaintiffs' ER records diagnosed food poisoning without ascribing a cause, only what the plaintiffs reported; there was no evidence of the food itself (the plaintiffs said they took pictures, but did not introduce them); and the plaintiffs did not exclude the possibility that other foods or medical conditions may have caused their symptoms. The court found this insufficient to support the finding that the chicken from Church's caused their discomfort.

What could the plaintiffs have done to salvage this claim? The court mentioned their failure to produce the cellphone pictures of the bad chicken; possibly, they could have saved a

piece or two in the freezer for chemical analysis. Fortunately, nobody ate more than a couple of bites, and nobody got really sick. Apparently, it is not easy to win a "deleterious food" claim.

Is it something in the air? While her husband was in St. Francis for several months before his death in late 2017, Ms. Lowery spent virtually every moment by his side, in Room 611. On the evening of November 4, she was awakened by the strong smell of chemicals; peering into the hall, she saw workers in "hazmat-looking" outfits spraying chemicals on the walls of Room 604, cater-corner from her husband; she then started noticing skin problems. She declined to go to St. Francis's ER, but later went to her family doctor, Dr. Henry, who had previously diagnosed many health issues (uncontrolled diabetes, hypertension, coronary artery disease, obesity, diabetic ulcer on the foot), but felt that her current skin problems were cellulitis triggered by exposure to a chemical. He referred her to a dermatologist, Dr. Mills, but she never went. Ms. Lowery sued St. Francis for her injuries.

At a bench trial, it transpired that on November 4, contractors had indeed been spraying Room 604 with Virex®, a disinfectant, but the Material Safety Data Sheet ("MSDS") advises only that inhaling this may irritate the nose, throat and respiratory system; no skin issues are listed. The risk manager also testified that contractors were wearing PPE, not hazmat suits. Dr. Henry reiterated his belief that Ms. Lowery's rash and swelling were consistent with some kind of exposure, possibly the chemicals she smelled that night. St. Francis's expert was, ironically, Dr. Mills – the one whom Ms. Lowery had declined to see – who testified that skin irritation from disinfectant could occur only by direct contact with the chemical, not by inhaling its fumes; the affected areas were not even exposed to the fumes. Dr. Mills also noted Ms. Lowery's serious preexisting problems, and the stress of looking after her dying husband, as more likely sources of the rash. The district court noted Ms. Lowery's tendency to exaggerate, and then found inadequate proof of causation, dismissing all claims. Ms. Lowery appealed.

The Second Circuit affirmed, **Lowery v. St. Francis Med. Ctr.**, 54,513 (La. App. 2 Cir. 5/25/22), in an opinion by Judge Robinson. The predominant considerations were, of course, the burden of proof, *Maranto v. Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.*, 94-2603 (La. 2/20/95), 650 So. 2d 757, and manifest error, *Cole v. State*, 01-2123 (La. 9/4/02), 825 So. 2d 1134. The court noted the absence of a record that Ms. Lowery lodged a complaint soon after the exposure; Virex's classification as nonhazardous when diluted; the lack of any direct contact; the amount of time between the alleged exposure and her first visit to Dr. Henry; and her failure

to see the dermatologist. In short, there was nowhere near enough evidence to find manifest error.

As a side note, the trial of this case was in October 2020, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, and held via Zoom. Even with the intervening experience of COVID protocols, the plaintiff appeared unaware of the difference between ordinary PPE (masks, gloves and eye covering, according to St. Francis's risk manager) and full-blown hazmat suits. This could not have enhanced her credibility.

Exceptions, exceptions. I always pay attention to opinions that hinge on the esoterica of exception practice. The May 25 rendering date offered two of these.

Lis pendens. Ms. Madden owned a real-estate LLC; in 2002, she took in her daughter, Ms. Chumley, as co-owner; Ms. Madden died in 2016; Ms. Chumley was appointed executrix in the succession, filed in Webster Parish, and served until removed in 2019, when she was replaced by Ms. LaCour. One of Ms. LaCour's primary points was that Ms. Chumley had omitted the LLC as an asset in her mother's succession, which is still ongoing. In late 2020, Ms. Chumley and her husband filed a separate suit, in Caddo Parish, for declaratory judgment regarding the ownership of the LLC. Ms. LaCour responded with the exception of *lis pendens*, urging that ownership of the LLC was already being litigated, in the succession in Webster Parish. (One of Ms. Madden's other children intervened, also asserting *lis pendens*.) The Caddo district court sustained all exceptions, and Ms. Chumley appealed. The Second Circuit affirmed, **Chumley v. LaCour**, 54,499 (La. App. 2 Cir. 5/25/22), in an opinion by Judge Hunter. The court quickly turned away Ms. Chumley's contention that the declaratory judgment did not involve the same transaction or occurrence, or the same parties, as the succession: the potential *res judicata* effect of a judgment of possession, and the concept of virtual representation, easily disposed of those arguments.

Prematurity. A quirk of our law is that if the objecting party wants to file both declinatory and dilatory exceptions, he must do so *at the same time*. La. C.C.P. art. 928 A. In an inmate tort claim (Prison Litigation Reform Act, or "PLRA," and Corrections Administrative Remedy Procedure, suitably known as "CARP"), the sheriff filed a dilatory exception of prematurity on grounds that the inmate had not exhausted the CARP administrative process; however, the sheriff *withdrew* the exception, admitting that he lacked evidence to prove noncompliance. Later, the sheriff filed a second exception of prematurity, asserting that he now had that evidence; the inmate argued, citing Art. 928, that all exceptions must be filed at the same time. The district court rejected this argument, sustained the sheriff's exception and dismissed the claim without prejudice. The inmate appealed; the Second Circuit affirmed, **Spillman v. Parker**, 54,532 (La. App. 2 Cir. 5/25/22), in an opinion by Chief Judge Moore. The court found it fairly obvious that Art. 928 requires declinatory and dilatory exceptions to be filed together, but does not prohibit a second dilatory. The court also rejected an argument that

withdrawal of the first exception amounted to a permanent waiver of the issue. This inmate, it must be noted, had retained counsel, and presented a more nuanced reading of the code and CARP than the normal pro se claimant.

You can "lien" on me. To build their new, \$640,000 home straddling two lots in west Ouachita Parish, the Seabs hired Huddleston, a general contractor; Huddleston, in turn, hired Furlow as a subcontractor, for floor and tile work (including a "Jack & Jill" bathroom tub enclosure). For the subcontract, Huddleston provided all the materials; Furlow provided only his labor. Disagreements arose on the worksite. Furlow felt that Huddleston still owed him \$14,100, so in February 2019, he filed a statement of claim (commonly called a "lien") against the property:

LOT 33, EAGLE RIDGE SUBDIVISION, SEC. 16, TOWNSHIP 18, RANGE 3, having a Municipal Address of 100 Vayda Mae Lane, West Monroe, LA 71291.

In January 2020, he filed suit against the Seabs and Huddleston, but his attorney gave a more accurate description:

Lots 32 & 33 Eagle Ridge Subdivision * * * situated in Sections 16 & 25, Township 18 North, Range 3 East, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, as per plat filed in * * * the records of the Ouachita Parish Clerk of Court.

Later, the Seabs sued Furlow (and the clerk of court) to cancel the lien, under The Private Works Act. After a two-day trial, the district court found that Furlow's lien failed to meet the requirements of the statute, R.S. 9:4822, in several particulars: it omitted Lot 32; it omitted Ouachita Parish; it said the subdivision was only in Sec. 16; the attached invoice did not itemize each component or specify which materials were used; the amount was not accurately set forth. The court therefore ordered the lien canceled and awarded the Seabs \$6,879 in damages and \$9,304 in attorney fees. Furlow appealed.

The Second Circuit reversed and rendered, **Seab v. Furlow**, 54,461 (La. App. 2 Cir. 5/25/22), in an opinion by Judge Cox. Quoting the statute, R.S. 9:4822 G, the court found that the statement of claim need only "reasonably identify the immovable" and "reasonably itemize the elements" comprising the claim; and Furlow's lien reasonably placed the owners (and third parties) on notice of the claim. The court remanded for the district court to determine what amount of damages Furlow was entitled to receive.

The court also noted that R.S. 9:4822 had been amended by Act 235 of 2019, effective January 1, 2020. As amended, the relevant portion (now designated as § 4822 H) still requires only a *reasonable identification* on a statement of claim by the laborer or contractor; this seems appropriate, as most laborers are not represented by counsel at that phase. However, a notice of termination by the *owner* now must include a *complete property description*. R.S. 9:4822 E(1). Still, as this case shows, a complete (and correct) description in the lien can save a lot of confusion and animosity.

How Write You Are

by Hal Odom Jr., rhodom@la2nd.org

It's all on the web, right? This rare homophonic error appeared in a reply memo filed in the Second JDC: "In his Supplemental Opposition plaintiff sites only two cases one of which is *Sutton v. Lambert*[".] Of course, a *site* is a *page* on the World Wide Web, or a *place* or *position* where something is to be built; as a verb, it means to *place* or *position* something in a designated spot. The writer of the reply memo obviously was not talking about websites.

Instead, the writer meant *refer to* or *quote as authority*, and the word is *cite*. He is almost alone, as among legal writers the concept of *citation* is so familiar that it's virtually immune to error. Consider this, a sentencing colloquy as quoted by the court reporter: "That's not a record, necessarily, of a guy who is going on the straight and narrow. By my count, since 1983 you have been arrested or *sited* [sic] at least fifty-two times." *State v. Lee*, 20-80 (La. App. 3 Cir. 11/18/20), 305 So. 3d 1048; the bracketed *sic* shows that the court knew better.

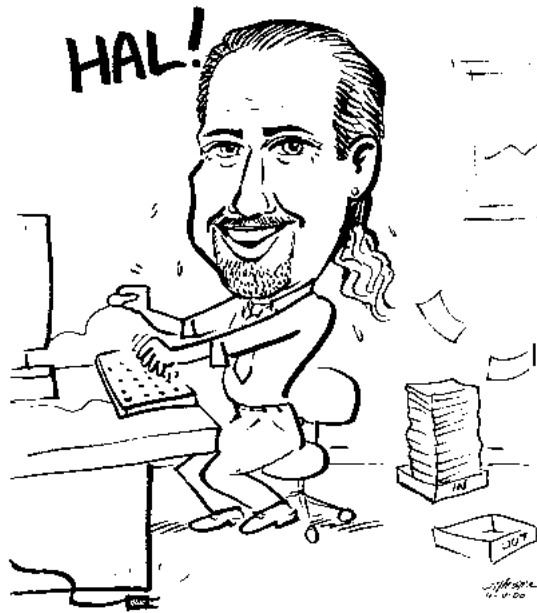
Two earlier appearances of this error cannot be blamed on Internet culture. "In support of plaintiffs' position, they also *site* the cases of *Brantley* [and] *Parker*[".] *Hicks v. Board of Supervisors*, 189 So. 2d 90 (La. App. 1 Cir. 1966) – a case published three years before ARPANET, that predecessor of the Internet that did not even have one access point in the state of Louisiana. Or, consider this, after a long description of the defendant's argument: "[A]nd the burden of proof is upon plaintiff to show what if any effort she made during that period and they *site* the case of *Lewis* * * * as enforcing that principle." *Wittenberg v. Walsdorf*, 5 Pelt. 154 (Orl. App. 1921) – a case coming at least a decade before the first commercially produced electric typewriter. What caused these errors will remain a mystery, but modern writers can cite no authority for confusing these words!

Keep it positive. Expressing your thoughts in purely negative terms can get confusing. Some years back, the Second Circuit's then-Central Staff director, the late Bill Lowe, sent me this baffling quote:

"However, as per La. R.S. 15:301.1(A) and *State v. Williams*, 2000-1725 (La. 11/28/01), the sentence is deemed to have been imposed with these restrictions [denial of probation, parole or suspension of sentence] *even in the absence of the trial court's failure to delineate them.*" *State v. Brown*, 03-2155 (La. App. 4 Cir. 4/14/04), 895 So. 2d 542.

Can we unpack this? All felony statutes prescribe a sentencing range, from which a determinate sentence is imposed; some felony statutes decree that the crimes are so serious that all (or part) of the sentence must be imposed without benefits (probation, parole or suspension of sentence). The cited statute, § 301.1, says that in the latter instance, the sentence will be served without benefits, even if the judge neglects to state it: "The failure of a sentencing court to specifically state [the denial of benefits] shall not in any way affect the statutory requirement [of denial of benefits]."

The court in *Brown* could have said "even in the absence of the



court's delineation of these exceptions" or "even with the court's failure to delineate them." However, the formula *absence of failure* suggests *success*, or that the court actually did articulate the denial of benefits. Too much negativity made a mash of the statute. Oddly, the same court repeated this bizarre formulation many times, most recently in *State v. Warner*, 13-0168 (La. App. 4 Cir. 3/12/14), 137 So. 3d 715. Thanks for catching that, Mr. Lowe.

On some occasions, courts have made highly constructive comments about double negatives:

"Because La. C.C.P. art. 1732 provides the situations in which a jury trial is not available, there is an awkward double negative in the statement of the monetary threshold, which prohibits a jury trial in '[a] suit where no individual petitioner's

cause of action exceeds fifty thousand dollars exclusive of interest and costs.' That threshold clearly made a jury unavailable unless the amount of at least one individual petitioner's cause of action exceeds \$50,000." *Benoit v. Allstate Ins. Co.*, 00-0424 (La. 11/28/00), 773 So. 2d 702. Somebody's claim has to top \$50,000 before anybody – plaintiff or defendant – can demand a jury. In spite of the gentle chiding in *Benoit*, the legislature has not rephrased Art. 1732!

"Relator maintains that the wording of R.S. 23:1201.1(D)(1) includes the use of a double negative which should be interpreted as creating an affirmative duty for the employer to both comply with the requirement of Subsection A through E and to initially accept the employee's claim as compensable." *Broussard v. Dillard Dept. Stores Inc.*, 16-99 (La. App. 3 Cir. 12/7/16), 208 So. 3d 903. This statute actually says that an "employer or payer *who has not complied with the requirements set forth in Subsection A through E of this Section or has not initially accepted the claim as compensable, * * * shall not be entitled to a preliminary determination.*" (Emphasis added). The relator was confused, converting the *or* of the statute to an *and* in his argument, but a well-crafted statute would state the duty without the tangle of negatives. Incidentally, the court found that Dillard's fully complied with subsections A through E, one half of the disjunctive, short-circuiting the rest of the analysis.

In general, find the basic duty and state it in positive terms. Exceptions can be stated in negative terms. Reverse the logic and you might just reverse the basic duty.

Why all the fighting? From a published opinion: "Additionally, Mr. Tate denied ever signing the *martial donation* or alternatively, that he did not know and was not told that the document was a donation." *Tate v. Tate*, 20-0784 (La. App. 1 Cir. 5/10/21), 326 So. 3d 287. From a headnote supplied by Thomson Reuters: "[W]idow named decedent's heirs in declaration that *martial domicile* was community property[".] *Succession of Pedesclaux*, 19-250 (La. App. 5 Cir. 2/7/20), 290 So. 3d 749.

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The Captain Speaks

by Nancy Cooper, ngcooper23@gmail.com

The Krewe of Justinian proudly launched its 2023 Mardi Gras season on August 5 at our Coronation Bal celebrating Madonna's Vogue and the totally awesome music of the '80s! We bid a fond farewell to our fabulous Justinian XXVIII Royalty (thank you Captain Jimmy Franklin!) and introduced our sparkly new Justinian XXIX Royalty: King Maury Hicks; Queen Susie Stinson; Dukes Matt Buckle, Curtis Joseph and Chris Merckle; and Duchesses Heidi Martin, Michelle Perkins and Carolyn Murphy Thompson.

Our Tribune/Captain XXX Amy Day worked her usual magic chairing the event with generous assists from Rachal DeLouche and Liza Beth Grozinger. A very special thanks to them and to the talented Angela Horton Costakis for her most excellent invitation design, to our "Earl of Sound" Woody Nesbitt for coordinating our totally rad processional tunes, to our gnarly Master of Ceremonies Kenny Haines, and to Dana Southern and Kendall Riggs for their bodacious behind-the-scenes work.

I also want to thank Paul Lopez, our NW La. Captain of Captains, and note that the events hosted throughout the season by our 16 northwest Louisiana Mardi Gras krewes are very special community-building opportunities that serve in many ways to unify our neighborhoods, organizations and cultures in the area. So, thank you to all who make these gatherings such a smashing success!

What's next for our Krewe of Justinian XXIX? Our Thriller-themed Midway to Mardi Gras Halloween costume party will be on Friday, October 28 at artspace followed by our 5K "Run for the Beads" the following Sunday morning, October 30 at Cantina Laredo/Shoppes at Bellemead. Then, on January 20, 2023, we will rock the '80s again, paying tribute to Prince and the color of Justinian at our Purple Reign-themed Grand Bal.

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But it's not too late to join the Krewe! A membership gets you and your +1 in the door to everything, including our treasured members-only Duke & Duchess brunch the Sunday after Grand Bal.

A final thanks to our SBA members and to our Krewe of Justinian family for all of your support and participation throughout the year. Our northwest Louisiana legal community is stronger and more cohesive because of you!

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Captain Nancy Cooper

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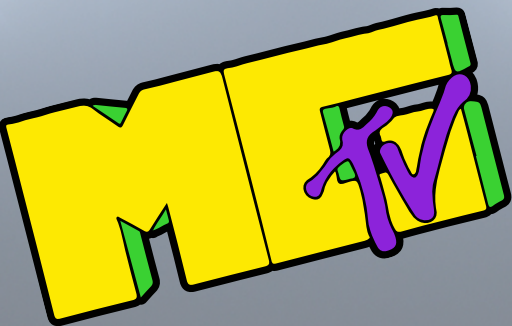


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I plan to attend the September Luncheon.

Attorney: _____

**Please remember to call and cancel if you are unable to attend.
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Thank You!**