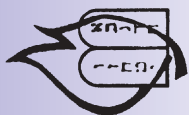


CLSA Newsletter



A quarterly publication from the Canon Law Society of America

August 2007

Convention in Costa Mesa

Convention time is fast approaching for members who have not yet made their registrations for the Sixty-Ninth Annual CLSA Convention being held at the Hilton Costa Mesa Hotel, Costa Mesa California, Monday, October 8th to Thursday October 11th, 2007. As of early August, two hundred and ten members have registered for the four day affair at the recently renovated and easily accessible Hilton Costa Mesa. The hotel is 100% Non-Smoking. Check in is 3:00 p.m. and check out is 12:00 noon.

As the hotel points out for guest accommodations, "Check into our recently renovated oversized guestrooms featuring 430 square feet of usable space perfect for yourself or traveling with family, most with balconies. Each room is beautifully decorated with rich, inviting colors and plush furnishings. Every room features complimentary cable TV channels including premium channels (HBO, CNN, ESPN, Disney), in-room movies, high speed internet access, dual port telephone with modem hook-up, dual sink vanity, hair dryer, coffee maker with complimentary coffee and tea, iron plus ironing board, voice mail, large executive work desk and complimentary USA Today newspaper (Monday-Friday)."

There are a number of possibilities for dining onsite for breakfast, lunch, and even dinner. The Bristol Palms California Bistro is located amidst the towering palm trees in the center of the hotel's naturally lit 7-story atrium. It offers early risers a breakfast buffet or entrees from the menu. Lunch and supper entrees offer a variety of Low Carb and Hilton Eat Right. For those who prefer coffee and perhaps a bagel, Danish or sandwich, the Britol Brew Coffee Bar is open for lunch and dinner; for those who

crave gourmet pizzas fired fresh on a brick oven, the Bristol Palms Pizza Bar offers delicacies such as Smoked Salmon or Thai Chicken Pizza. Wine and other beverages may be found on site at the Britol Palms Bar. For those who desire to dine outside the hotel, menus of Asian, Italian, Greek, African or otherwise, provide the perfect place for any food craving you may have. Please use our search tool on the hotel's website to retrieve a list of restaurants near the Hilton Costa Mesa hotel, as recommended by 10Best.



Directions to the Hilton Costa Mesa may be found on the hotel's website. John Wayne Airport is the closest airport, a five minute drive for the 2.5 mile trip. A Courtesy Bus runs every thirty minutes from John Wayne Airport. Los Angeles International is a thirty-six mile, an approximate 45 minute, trip. A super shuttle is available at a cost of 32.00 USD or a taxi at approximately 80.00 USD. Long Beach Airport is 20 miles, a twenty-five minute drive by super shuttle (40.00 USD) or taxi (40.00). For those convention attendees who wish to drive, the hotel's website offers a variety of directions from the 405, the 57, the 91, and the 73 freeways. Self-parking is available at 16.00 USD per day or valet parking at 20.00 USD per day.

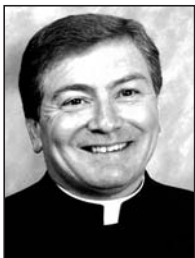
The election of officers will take place on Wednesday October 10th at the annual business meeting. A brochure identifying the candidates as well as the curriculum vitae accompany this issue of the CLSA Newsletter. There will be an opportunity to meet the candidates and speak with them at the Candidates Forum to be held Tuesday, October 9th from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Pacific Ballroom.

For more information please Google or search "Hilton Costa Mesa Hotel." ▼

IN THIS ISSUE

- | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|---|----------------------------------|---|---------------|
| 2 | Presidential Reflections | 3 | News Briefs | 3 | In Memoriam | 7 | New Dean for School of Canon Law | 8 | CLSA Workshop |
|---|--------------------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|---|----------------------------------|---|---------------|

Annual Convention and Executive Coordinator Search Keep Us Busy



Msgr. F. Stephen
Pedone

The summer is passing quickly and soon autumn will be here. Hopefully, you've made your reservations to attend our national convention in Costa Mesa, California.

This year we will gather in beautiful Orange County at the Hilton Costa Mesa Hotel from October 8th through 11th for our 69th annual convention. The theme of the convention is: *Ecclesia Docens, Ecclesia Discens* – The Learning Church, the Teaching Church. The

theme was developed by Rev. Ladislav Orsy, SJ, and taken from his book *The Church: Learning and Teaching* (Wilmington, DE: Michael Glazier, Inc., 1987).

A wonderful and exciting array of seminars has been planned and the Board of Governors is very excited about this year's program. We look forward to seeing many of you as colleagues in the study and practice of church law to learn, to share, to renew and enjoy old friendships and to make new ones.

As I mentioned in the June Newsletter, Father Arthur Espelage, OFM, the CLSA's Executive Coordinator since 1999, will be leaving June 30, 2008, to pursue other challenges in canonical ministry. The search continues for a worthy successor. The Board of Governors hopes to be able to announce the selection of a new Executive Coordinator during the Costa Mesa Convention.

As some of you may already be aware, Sr. Rose McDermott, SSJ, a member of the faculty of the School of Canon Law at the Catholic University of America, has been appointed interim dean by Father David O'Connell, CM, President of CUA, succeeding Fr. Brian Ferme. I had appointed Sr. Rose a member of the newly established Publications Advisory Board, also known as PAB. Because of her added duties, Sr. Rose has decided regretfully and reluctantly to resign from the PAB. I asked Fr. Robert Kaslyn, SJ, also a member of the faculty of CUA's School of Canon Law, if he would serve on this new and important Board and he agreed. Father Kaslyn and I worked together on the Tribunal of the Diocese of Worcester for several years, which made me aware of his intelligence, numerous gifts, extraordinary work ethic and expertise in the area of publishing. I am grateful to him for his willingness to serve as a member of the PAB.

The Board of Governors is looking to re-establish a Research and Development Committee as a recommendation from the Future Initiatives Project. I hope to

be able to appoint committee members and a chair who will serve ex officio on the PAB. This R&D Committee will help chart and investigate areas the CLSA should be involved in as we continue our mission of education in church law and ministry. Exciting days are certainly ahead!

As I mentioned in the June Newsletter, Father Arthur Espelage, OFM, the CLSA's Executive Coordinator since 1999, will be leaving June 30, 2008, to pursue other challenges in canonical ministry. The search continues for a worthy successor. The Board of Governors hopes to be able to announce the selection of a new Executive Coordinator during the Costa Mesa Convention.

As I bring my reflections to a close, I am well aware that my time as President of the Canon Law Society of America is in its twilight. I am grateful to Almighty God and to you for the confidence you placed in me that allowed me this great opportunity to serve as your President. Your support, affirmation and the willingness of so many of you to work on committees, task forces, projects, and to give so generously of your gifts and talents in this collaborative endeavor in serving not only the CLSA but the Church, has been a profound and awe inspiring experience for me. May the Lord bless you all for your goodness and kindness!

CLSA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

President

Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone

Vice President

Rev. Paul Counce

Secretary

Msgr. Michael A Souckar

Treasurer

Sr. M. Dominica Brennan, OP

Consultors

Rev. Michael P. Joyce, CM
Ms Lori Brower-Albanese
Rev. Ricardo Garcia
Rev. John Vaughan
Mrs Rita Joyce
Eileen Jaramillo

Past President

Msgr. Daniel F. Hoye

Executive Coordinator

Rev. Arthur J. Espelage, OFM
Canon Law Society of America
The Hecker Center, Suite 111
3025 Fourth Street NE
Washington, DC 20017-1102

Tel 202/832-2350

Fax 202/832-2331

coordinator@cls.org

www.cls.org

- The Executive Coordinator's Office said bon voyage to **Mr. Charlie Bloom**, our Administrative Assistant, on August 8th, 2007. When asked to provide a few words for this newsletter, Charlie wrote: "I have been working as the administrative assistant here at the Canon Law Society of America since February 2007. I have enjoyed my time here at the CLSA and have come into contact with many wonderful people. I will be leaving since I have completed my J.C.L. at Catholic University of America this summer. I will be going to my home diocese of Fort Worth where I hope to find work in the tribunal or in the surrounding area. I wish to thank Fr. Arthur Espelage for giving me the opportunity to work here at the CLSA, he has shown me the importance of knowing the law, but also how to apply it when dealing with a person." Charlie has been a great help in our settling into the Hecker Center, and he will be missed. Hopefully, we shall see him at future CLSA conventions.
- The **Canadian Canon Law Society** will hold its 42nd annual convention at the Renaissance Fallsview Hotel, 6455 Fallsview Boulevard, in Niagra Falls, Ontario, Canada, October 15th to the 18th, 2007. For more information contact webmaster@ccls-scdc.ca.
- The **Legal Resource Center for Religious** will hold a workshop, "Reconfiguration Best Practices Civilly, Canonically, Culturally," February 11-13, 2008 at the Hilton San Antonio Airport Hotel. The hotel rate is \$99.00 plus tax. Registration fees vary for subscribers and non-subscribers as well as group rates. For more information consult the LRCR website.
- The **Canon Law Society of Great Britain and Ireland's Conference Registrar**, the Reverend Peter Kravos, announced that the society's annual conference will take place 5 to 9 May, 2008 at the Casa La Salle, Via Aurelia, Rome. Residential accommodation will be approximately \$990.00 US or 742.00 Euros. The registration fee for the conference is \$100.00 US or 80.00 Euros. For more information contact: pmkravos@hotmail.com.
- The Canon Law Society of America is grateful each time that members and friends of the Society remember the CLSA in their wills. The **Executors of the Estate of Robert O'Neill** recently awarded the Canon Law Society of America a gift of the sum of \$21,644.21. Ordained June 12, 1962, the donor received a Master in Church Administration in 1974 from the Catholic University of America. From 1974 to 1987 he served as Officialis of his diocese. No longer in active ministry, Robert passed away on December 12th, 2006. Members are requested to remember him in their prayers.
- On 11 June 2007, **His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI** issued in the form of a *motu proprio*, a change in number 75 of the Apostolic Constitution, *Universi Dominici gregis* (22 February 1996) of Pope John Paul II [AAS 88 (1996):305-343] on the election of a Roman Pontiff. The new provision takes place with its publication in the *Observatore Romano*. The Latin original pertaining to the change reads: *Si scrutinia de quibus in numeris septuagesimo secundo, tertio et quarto memoratae Constitutionis incassum reciderint, habeatur unus dies orationi, reflexioni et dialogo dicatus; in subsequentibus vero suffragationibus, servato ordine in numero septuagesimo quarto eiusdem Constitutionis statuto, vocem passivam habebunt tantummodo duo Cardinales qui in superiore scrutinio maiorem numerum suffragiorum obtinuerunt, nec recedatur a ratione ut etiam in his suffragationibus maioritas*

(See NEWS BRIEFS, p. 4)

The Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Province of Ireland, announced the passing of the **Reverend Michael O'Reiley, OMI**. The former Procurator General of the Congregation died peacefully in his sleep on June 10, 2007, at the Oblate residence in Inchicore (Dublin) a few months prior to his 90th birthday. He served in the General Administration during the terms of four Superiors General (Léo DESCHATELÉTS, Richard HANLEY, Fernand JETTÉ, and Marcello ZAGO).

Father Michael was born on 27 December 1917 in Dublin, Ireland. He made his first profession of vows in 1935. After his ordination in 1941, he taught Canon Law at the Piltown scholasticate before going to Rome's Gregorian University where he earned a doctorate *summa cum laude*, with a dissertation entitled "*De injusta censura ejusque obligatione*." Having returned to Ireland to continue his teaching ministry, he was also superior at Piltown from 1958 until 1964.

From 1966 until 1987, he was the Oblate Congregation's chief legal advisor and representative to the Holy See. After the General Chapter of 1974 a special Committee was established to prepare a new text of the Oblate Constitutions and Rules. Michael was a very active member of that Committee which continued its work throughout the following years until the definitive text was published in 1982. Known at the Holy See as a canonist with a kind and gentle heart, he was named a Consultor to the Sacred Congregation for Religious and the Congregation for the Clergy. On top of all his other duties, he taught Canon Law at the Pontifical Beda College. From 1982 until 1988, he was superior of the General House community. Michael's knowledge of Canon Law and his ability to put that law at the service of persons, rather than the other way around, was legendary.

Even while serving as Procurator General, he began, in 1975, to be a

(See IN MEMORIAM, p. 4)

(IN MEMORIAM, from p. 3)

summertime visiting professor of Canon Law at St. Paul University, Ottawa. When he left Rome in 1988, he took up residence in Ottawa and continued his teaching and consulting until he “retired” to Ireland in 1994. Students at St Paul University in Ottawa, Ontario, remember his years as Professor of Canon Law, especially his Irish wit and humor. Until his health called for full retirement in July 2006, he worked for the Dublin Regional Marriage Tribunal, having been appointed judge in 1997.

Father Michael passed away peacefully in the early hours of Sunday, June 10th, the feast of Corpus Christi. The mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on June 13th at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church in Dublin.

■ **Monsignor Armand A. Pedata, J.C.D.** of Saint Joan of Arc Catholic Church, Marlton, New Jersey passed away on 12 December 2006 at the age of 74. Born on August 30, 1932 to Maria and Anthony, Monsignor grew up in the Italian section of Trenton and attended Saint Joachim’s parish. He was ordained on May 31, 1958 at St. Mary’s University Seminary in Baltimore and received an STL degree from that institution. From 1958 to 1962, he served as a parish priest at St. Andrew’s Catholic Church in Avenel. Bishop Ahr requested that he study canon law, and so he studied at the Lateran University in Rome where he received his J.C.D. in 1965. From 1967 he was assigned to St. Joseph’s parish in Trenton and began full-time tribunal work, also serving as Assistant Chancellor of the Diocese of Trenton. In 1971 he returned to parish work at Sacred Hearth Catholic Church in Trenton and then St. Joan of Arc where he became Episcopal Vicar for Burlington County. On October 27, 1977, Pope Paul VI named him as Prelate of Honor. Monsignor remained at St. Joan’s for thirty-three years. As the present pastor of St. Joan’s commented “He was much loved in the parish and throughout the Diocese.”

■ **Fr. John A. Rolek**, who throughout his priesthood, participated and championed projects in support of Chicago's Polish Catholics, died of complications following a heart attack at age 70 on Saturday, April 21, at MacNeal Hospital in Berwyn. A Chicago native, Fr. Rolek was born on June 16, 1936 and was baptized at Chicago's St. Michael the Archangel Parish on the city's southeast side. Fr. Rolek attended and graduated from St. Michael the Archangel Elementary School in June 1949, Quigley (North) Preparatory Seminary in June 1954, and the University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein) Seminary in 1961.

Fr. Rolek was ordained a priest on May 1, 1961, and the following Sunday, celebrated his first solemn Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Parish. On July 5, 1961, he became assistant pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish on the city's northwest side, where he remained until June 1966. He was then made assistant pastor of St. Stanislaus Bishop and Martyr Parish in south suburban Posen, where he remained until July 1969.

Beginning in the late 1960's, and until the time of his death, Fr. Rolek served on the Metropolitan Tribunal as a member, curator, judge and as the Cardinal's delegate for privilege cases. Fr. Rolek also served as assistant pastor of the now-closed St. John of God Parish on Chicago's south side. Between July 1980 and September 1984, Fr. Rolek was associate pastor of Cicero's St. Mary of Czestochowa Parish, and left to become associate pastor of the now closed Immaculate Conception Parish on the city's south side until July 1990. Fr. Rolek also served at Cicero's Our Lady of Charity until June 1998, Berwyn's St. Leonard Parish until August 2005 and Forest Park's St. Bernardine until his hospitalization. Visitation was held on Tuesday, April 24, at St. Bernardine Parish, Forest Park. The Mass of the Resurrection took place on Wednesday, April 25, Most Rev. Thomas Paprocki, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, was the main celebrant at a funeral Mass.

(NEWS BRIEFS, from p. 3)

qualificata suffragiorum Cardinalium praesentium ad validitatem electionis requiratur. In his autem suffragationibus, duo Cardinales qui vocem passivam habent, voce activa carent.

• Catholic New York, (www.cny.org), the Archdiocese of New York’s newspaper, recently announced that the **Rev. Michael Martine, JCL**, a 2006 graduate of The Catholic University of America, recently has been named as the first holder of the Edward Cardinal Egan Chair in Canon Law at St. Joseph’s Seminary in New York. Since his graduation, Father Martine serves as professor and chairman of the canon law department at St. Joseph’s. He has also served as the seminary’s procurator. Fr. Martine was ordained in 1997.

- Life at the **Hecker Center for Ministry** saw more access to the facility this summer as the Newman Bookstore re-located to their recently renovated space. Finishing touches continue on the grounds and the buildings on Fourth Street. Archbishop Donald Wuerl will dedicate the Hecker Center for Ministry and bless offices before a small reception on September 11, 2007. Visitors are always welcome at the Office of the Executive Coordinator.
- The English text of the Apostolic Letter of Pope Benedict XVI on **Use of the Pre conciliar Liturgical Forms**, published 7 July 2007, may be found in the USCCB Newsletter, vol xliii (May/June 2007) and as a pdf document on their website: www.usccb.org/liturgy.

**CLSA Resolution Form
Costa Mesa, CA 2007**

PROPOSED BY _____

DATE _____

TITLE

STATEMENT OF RATIONALE

(Indicate simply, precisely and directly the reasons for the resolution)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

IMPLEMENTATION BY MEANS OF

(Committee assignment, task force, report/study)

ANTICIPATED COST _____

COST SUPPLIED BY _____

GUIDELINES FOR RESOLUTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE

GUIDELINES FOR PRESENTING RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions are central to the functioning of the Canon Law Society of America. A majority of the research activities and special publications of the Society are a result of proposals to the Annual Meeting of the CLSA in the form of resolutions. (Revised 1 May 2004)

Criteria for Submitting Resolutions (CLSA By-Law No. 3b)

1. Their content shall be simple, precise, direct and in language befitting a professional society; vague or ambiguous phrases should be avoided, and “whereas” clauses should be kept at a minimum.
 - Resolution wording is to be clear and specific concerning its intended outcome;
 - Resolutions generally call for some action to be taken on the part of the Society. Therefore, the following terms serve to clarify the resolution:
 - receive** – if the CLSA is asked to recognize the completed work of the group or committee;
 - accept** – if the CLSA is asked to recognize the completed work of the group or committee and to agree with the work produced;
 - endorse** – if the CLSA is asked recognize the completed work of the group or committee, to agree with the work produced and to make the work its own (*fullest commitment available*).
2. They shall be positive in nature, and in keeping with the scope, purpose and resources of the Society.
 - Resolutions should avoid criticism of persons and be worded so as to improve existing structures and serve to build and encourage the work of the CLSA;
 - Resolutions should fit within the context of the overall purpose of the Society and may not be contra legem;
 - Anticipated costs for implementation of the resolution should be realistic and definite (avoiding such phrases as “costs minimal”);
 - If costs are anticipated, it is requested that the author(s) contact the Office of Executive Coordinator for guidelines;
 - Resolutions should be clear about how much human resource will be needed to achieve the resolution’s intended outcome.

The Contents of the Written Resolution

1. **Proposed by** – The name(s) of the author(s) proposing the resolution;
2. **Title** – The title should focus the membership on the point of the resolution;
3. **Statement of Rationale** – (The “Whereas” clause) Should be a brief statement presenting the background and foundation for the resolution;
4. **Be It Resolved That** – This is the heart of the resolution whereby a simple, precise and direct statement proposes the intended outcome;
5. **Implementation By Means Of** – A clear statement presenting the timeline for completion, human resources required and anticipated costs.

Once the resolution has been written, it may be submitted directly to the Chairperson of the Resolutions Committee. The Resolutions Committee will then review the resolution. If changes are necessary, the Chairperson will contact the author for further discussion. Clarifications, modifications and amendments, may also be made to the resolution by CLSA members, with the concurrence of the author(s), at the Resolutions Hearing and the Annual Business Meeting. Resolutions may also be presented at the time of the Resolutions Hearing or the Business Meeting. Should this be the case the “member shall read the resolution and explain it briefly and submit one copy of the resolution in writing.” Submit the resolution(s) to the Chairperson of the Resolutions Committee:

Rev. John R. Vaughn
610 Locust Street
Owensboro, KY 42301

Office: 270-683-6525
Fax: 270-683-3621

Resolutions received **before August 4** will be included in the CLSA *Newsletter*.

New Dean for the School of Canon Law

Very Rev. David M. O'Connell, C.M., the university's president, announced the appointment of **Sister Rose McDermott, S.S.J.**, associate professor of canon law, as interim dean of the School of Canon Law of The Catholic University of America, effective Aug. 1, 2007.

Sister McDermott replaces Monsignor Brian E. Ferme, dean of the School of Canon Law since 2003, who is leaving CUA to assume responsibilities as president of the Institute of Canon Law in Venice, Italy.

I have known and admired Sister Rose McDermott for many years, going back to my own seminary days, said Father O'Connell, a canon lawyer who earned his J.C.D. at the CUA School of Canon Law. She is an extremely kind and effective canonist, completely dedicated to the Church and its law, eager to help the community of faith understand the great service that canon law provides to the Church. She has always offered her extraordinary gifts generously in that same spirit of service and her willingness to accept this new role as interim dean of canon law at CUA is just another example of her marvelous generosity. I am so grateful to her.

Sister McDermott, who holds a J.C.D. from CUA School of Canon Law and a masters degree from Providence College, is a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia. A 17-year teaching veteran of the university, the associate professor specializes in Church law dealing with the sacraments and consecrated life and ministry.

Her major publications include *The Code of Canon Law: A Text and Commentary* (Paulist Press, 1985) and *New Commentary on the Code of Canon Law*, (Paulist Press, 2000), in addition to articles and reviews for *Commentarium pro Religiosis et Missionariis*, *Review for Religious*, *The Jurist* and *Studia Canonica*.

Sister McDermott served as assistant to the vicar and delegate for religious in the Office of Vicar for Religious in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for 14 years before coming to teach at CUA. She was director of formation in her religious institute for six years. Prior to her apostolate as a canon lawyer, she taught in three seminaries and in elementary and secondary schools in three archdioceses and two dioceses on the East Coast.

In agreeing to serve as interim dean

of the School of Canon Law, Sister Rose McDermott has again affirmed a track record of constructive citizenship for Catholic University and for the larger Church," said James F. Brennan, Ph.D., Catholic University's provost designate. She brings a wealth of experience as a scholar and a practitioner of canon law. In terms of the latter, I am particularly impressed with her work for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, and she represents through her experience the interface between the theoretical and the applied. I look forward to working with her in the months ahead.

On May 8, 2006, Pope Benedict XVI reappointed Sister McDermott as a consultant to the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life for a five-year period, a post she has held since her first of two appointments by Pope John Paul II in 1995.

Sister McDermott has been a member of the Canon Law Society of America since 1977 and received the Role of Law Award from that professional society in 2002.

NEW MEMBERS

Mr Chad Glendinning
Niagra Falls, ON, CANADA
Rev. Christopher Fraser
Phoenix, AZ
Rev. Marvin Samiano
Honolulu, HI
Mr. Christopher Fusco
Rockville Centre, NY
Mr. Robert Brooks
Atlanta, GA
Rev. Jonathan Wisneski
Greensburg, PA

Dr. David Castronovo
Atlanta, GA
Rev. Charles W. Nutter
Biloxi, MS
Mrs. Elyn M. Macek
Atlanta, GA
Ms. Daniela S. Bachmann
Milwaukee, WI
Rev. Sergio Lopez
Oakland, CA
Rev. Shawn Corcoran
Columbus, OH

RENEWING MEMBERS

The Executive Coordinator's Office is most grateful to the members who have forwarded their 2007-2008 membership dues to the Society. Dues notices were generated and sent out by post around July 2, 2007. Response this year is very positive. With the dues received, we are updating every members profile and acknowledging receipt. Acknowledgments are either by e-mail or post. We still have a few "kinks" in the system, but it appears that the new system will serve the Society well in the years to come.

CLSA Workshop Offering

THE ADVOCATE'S JOURNEY: NAVIGATING THE MINEFIELD OF ADVOCACY, RIGHTS AND THE LAW

This Seminar is designed for degreed canonists who are interested in becoming advocates or who have some initial experience of being an advocate in penal cases. Each participant must have broad Tribunal experience. The number of participants will be limited to 25.

The presenters for this Seminar:

Rick Bass, JCL

Fred Easton, JCL

Paul Golden, C.M., JCD

Jerry Jorgensen, JCL

Pat Lagges, JCD

Dan Smilanic, JCD

The role of the advocate will be discussed in the context of a case study. Participants will have ample time for questions, will work in small groups and will write various advocate's briefs.

The Seminar will take place from 3:00 P. M. on Monday, 28 January – 1:00 P. M. on Wednesday, 30 January at the Oblate Renewal Center in San Antonio, Texas. The Oblate Renewal Center is approximately three (3) miles from the San Antonio Airport and can be reached by cab or car rental.

The cost is \$475 USD and is all-inclusive (six meals, private rooms, evening socials and all materials).

Application forms will be available at the Annual Canon Law Society of America Convention. (Those who are not able to attend the Convention but wish to attend the Seminar may request an application form after 15 October 2008 from: Msgr. Ricardo E. Bass, Prince of Peace Church, 4300 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield, Michigan 48323)

POSITION OPENINGS

- The Archdiocese of Denver has an opening for a full time Metropolitan judge. The position includes salary, benefits, and retirement contributions. Requirements for the position are either a JCL or JCD degree, preferably with experience. Interested individuals are invited to contact and forward their resume to: Very Reverend James S. Moreno, JCD, Judicial Vicar, Archdiocese of Denver, 1535 Logan Street, Denver, CO 80203.
- The Canon Law Society of America announces a search for candidates for the position of **Executive Coordinator of the Canon Law Society of America**. The position will open officially on July 1, 2008. Those interested in applying must submit a letter of application to the CLSA President, Rev. Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone, which should include the applicants curriculum vitae, history of involvement with the Canon Law Society of America, and references. A JCL or JCD is preferred. Interested parties must submit the letter to the President no later than September 15, 2007. Please send the letter to:

Rev. Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone
Diocesan Tribunal
49 Elm Street
Worcester, MA 01609

The Newsletter of the Canon Law Society is published as a service to members four times a year by the Office of the Executive Coordinator, Canon Law Society of America, The Hecker Center, 3025 Fourth Street, NE, Suite 111, Washington, DC 20017-1102. Membership in the Society is open to interested persons as active or associate members, depending on specific qualifications of training and experience in canon law. The annual membership fee is \$200.00. Application forms are available from the Office of the Executive Coordinator.

Canon Law Society of America
The Hecker Center
3025 Fourth Street NE, Suite 111
Washington, DC 20017-1102

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED