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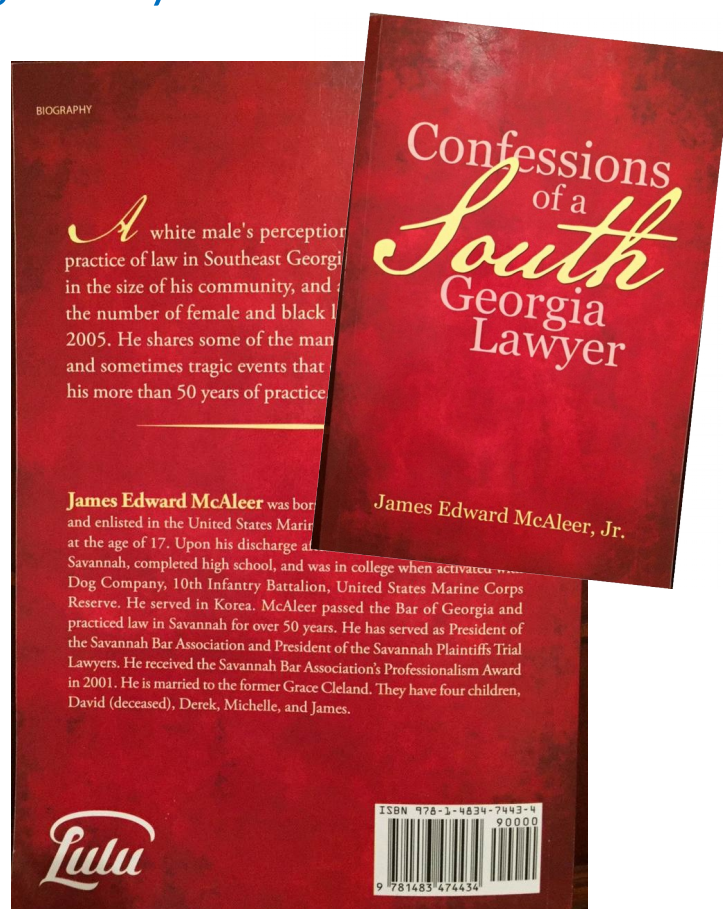
## April

### Confessions of a South Georgia Lawyer

*Confessions of a South Georgia Lawyer* is the colorful and engaging story of the life and career of a ninety-year-old, retired Savannah attorney. Jim McAleer, through anecdotes, stories, and revelations of his personal experiences, describes the impact of the mass influx of black and female lawyers to the bar of Georgia, comments on judges and lawyers that have passed through our area (in sometimes hilarious fashion), and sets forth his opinion as to the vast changes to the laws of our state and country. He describes his firm's practice of law, which undoubtedly was different from that of many other lawyers.

The book is available through the author, James Edward McAleer, Jr., for \$ 32.50, plus \$2.27 GA sales tax, at 1312 Lavon Avenue, Savannah, GA 31406, phone 912- 354-8497. There is free delivery within the city limits of Savannah and a \$4.00 fee to mail the book. Signed copies upon request. A perfect gift for the lawyer, lover of Savannah or Georgia lore, or anyone who is enthralled with a good story.

The book is also available at The Book Lady Bookstore, E. Shaver, Bookseller, on E-Bay, and on Amazon.



## GUARDIAN AD LITEM TRAINING – OCT 19, 2018

**Guardian Ad Litem** training will be held at the Family Law Resource Center located at 5105 Paulsen Street, Suite 111-A, Savannah, GA 31405, on Friday, **October 19, 2018** from 8:15-5:30. For more information about training to become a Guardian Ad Litem, please contact: Trish Murphy, Esq., at 912-354-6057 or [tmurphy@mediationsavannah.com](mailto:tmurphy@mediationsavannah.com).

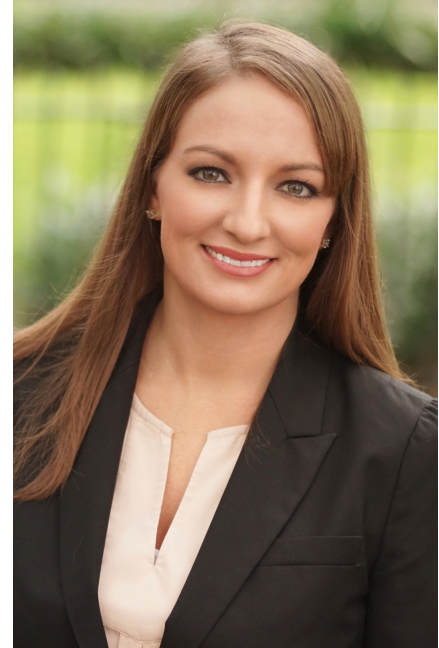
## Weiner, Shearouse, Weitz, Greenberg & Shawe attorney Hester selected a 2018 Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star

Weiner, Shearouse, Weitz, Greenberg & Shawe attorney Helen Hester has been honored by being selected a Rising Star in the area of Real Estate Law by Georgia Super Lawyers.

Super Lawyers rates outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high-degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The patented selection process includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations. Rising Stars are attorneys 40 years old or younger or who have been in practice for 10 years or less. No more than 2.5 percent of the qualifying attorneys in Georgia are selected for Rising Stars.

Ms. Hester focuses her practice in the areas of commercial and residential real estate, real estate litigation, complex business litigation, commercial litigation, and construction litigation. Ms. Hester is admitted to practice in the States of Georgia and South Carolina, and has handled a variety of matters at local, state, federal and appellate levels.

Please go to [www.wswgs.com](http://www.wswgs.com) to learn more about Weiner, Shearouse, Weitz, Greenberg and Shawe, LLP.



**Helen Hunter**

### **ABOUT WEINER, SHEAROUSE, WEITZ, GREENBERG & SHAWE, LLP**

Weiner, Shearouse, Weitz, Greenberg & Shawe, LLP has been practicing law in Savannah and the surrounding area since being founded in 1961. The firm provides a wide range of legal services that touch many different areas of law, including real estate, civil trial work, business transactions, SBA financing, municipal law, estate planning and guardianships, creditor bankruptcy representation, domestic relations, criminal, insurance defense and mediation. Please visit to learn more about Weiner, Shearouse, Weitz, Greenberg & Shawe, LLP.

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## The Manely Firm, P.C. Partner, David Purvis, has been selected as a Super Lawyer's Rising Star Attorney.

The Manely Firm, P.C. is proud to announce Partner, David Purvis, has been selected as a Super Lawyer's Rising Star Attorney.

Each year, Super Lawyers recognizes the top attorneys in every state by identifying less than 2.5% of the state's lawyers as Rising Star Attorneys. Through a multiphase peer and independent selection process, David Purvis was both identified and selected as a Rising Star Attorney. Rising Stars attorneys are either under the age of 40 or have been practicing law for less than ten years. Even in that short period of time, David has become a leader in the local family law community in Savannah.

As a Partner of The Manely Firm, P.C. in Savannah, David has established himself as an exceptional advocate in family law. He has served as the adjunct professor of Family Law at Savannah Law School,

and has presented at Continuing Legal Education seminars for the State and the Savannah Bar Association. He works closely with our Founding Attorney, Michael Manely, on complex family law matters throughout our firm's four offices located throughout Georgia.

At the Manely Firm, P.C., we have achieved an unparalleled level of success. We have unanimous victories in our trials in the Georgia Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court. In addition, we also have won at international trials and appeals, including in before the Supreme Court of Costa Rica. Our offices have an exclusive focus on family law with particular skill for handling unique areas of family law, including international family law and military family law.

The Manely Firm, P.C. is proud of David Purvis and his many accomplishments, including being named a Rising Star Attorney by Super Lawyers for this year!

## Attorney Lane A. Johnson Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and Brunswick, is pleased to announce that Lane A. Johnson has recently joined the firm's real estate group, where she will focus her practice on affordable housing.

Prior to joining HunterMaclean, Johnson represented the Sierra Club in Washington D.C. as outside counsel in administrative and judicial proceedings. She also has experience in environmental and energy litigation. Johnson worked as a Legal Fellow in the Sierra Club Environmental Law Program, a Law & Policy Extern with the Governor's Accord for a New Energy Future, and as an Honors Clerk with the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, the law enforcement arm of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Johnson received a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and International Affairs from the University of Georgia. She graduated from the Georgetown University Law Center, where she served as the admissions editor for the Georgetown International Environmental Law Review.



**Lane A. Johnson**

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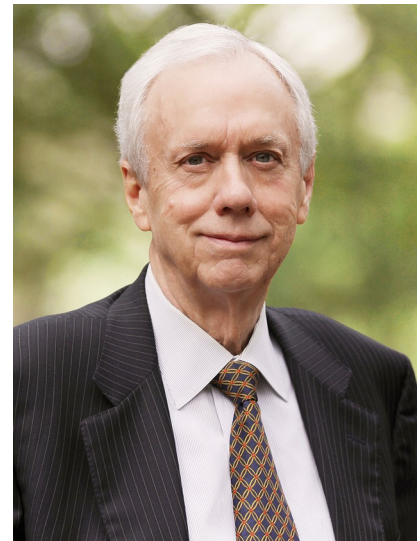
## Attorney Richard A. Fisher Joins HunterMaclean

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Savannah and Brunswick, is pleased to announce that Richard A. Fisher has recently joined the firm as special counsel for the Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions, and Business Transactions Groups.

Fisher has more than 40 years of experience and comes to Savannah from a law firm in Boston, where he served as chief executive officer and chairman of two public companies and as general counsel of several private and public companies. Fisher has served as counsel for multiple companies from inception through exit and has operational and legal experience in aerospace, defense, advanced materials, sporting goods, energy, education, structured finance, clothing, beverage, and food industries, in addition to others.

"Richard's invaluable experience is an asset to our firm and clients," said Brad Harmon, HunterMaclean's managing partner. "His expertise in multiple facets of business law will bring both insight and value to our local community."

Fisher received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Northwestern University. He graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law, where he was an editor of the Virginia Journal of International Law. He has remained active with the University of Virginia School of Law as a member of the Alumni Association and as a Life Member of the Dean's Council.



**Richard A. Fisher**



### ABOUT HUNTERMACLEAN

With offices in Savannah and Brunswick, HunterMaclean has extensive experience representing businesses and individuals in all areas of business litigation as well as in corporate, tax, real estate, health care, information technology, and logistics law. The firm's clients include Fortune 500 companies, banks, hospitals, professional service organizations, nonprofits, and start-up ventures. For more information about HunterMaclean, call 912.236.0261 or visit [www.huntermaclean.com](http://www.huntermaclean.com).



## Distinguished Service Scroll Award – Mr. Don L. Waters

The UGA School of Law recently recognized Don L. Waters with the Distinguished Service Scroll Award. This award is presented annually during the Alumni/Alumnae Weekend in Athens. Recipients of the Distinguished Service Scroll award have distinguished reputations in their professional field and commendable service to the legal profession, in public service, or to the Law School Association. Don Waters is the CEO of Waters Capital Partners and the Vice-Chairman of the University System of Georgia Board of Regents. He is a 1978 alumnus of the School of Law. From 1993 to 2016 he was chairman, president and CEO of Brasseler USA. Prior to that, Waters practiced as a certified public accountant, as a partner with Price Waterhouse & Co. and as an attorney with HunterMaclean.

A Savannah native, Waters currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the Chatham County Hospital Authority, the Board of Trustees of the Augusta University Health System and the Board of Curators of the Georgia Historical Society.

The Waters family endowed the Waters College of Health Professions at Georgia Southern University. He and his wife Cindy have two daughters, four grandsons, and are members of the Isle of Hope United Methodist Church.



From left to right: UGA School of Law Dean Bo Rutledge, Don Waters, Sally Yates, Cameron Hawkins and Larry Thompson. (Photo Credit: Ian McFarlane)

## Catholic Charities Seek Volunteer Immigration Help

For the last two years, Catholic Charities has been working to fill the need for low/pro bono immigration services in the Savannah area. The office does not take clients, but has built a practice offering information and form filing services. The current volunteer attorney is relocating and the effort is in jeopardy. Areas of frequent assistance include helping refugees apply for permanent residency, filing family reunification petitions, counselling on citizenship and naturalization requirements, giving advice on the ever-shifting DACA and TPS regulations, helping set up temporary guardianships for US citizen children in danger of losing their parents, and offering general immigration trainings and advocacy in the community.

The program hopes to establish an affiliated CLINIC (Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.) office such as those in Charleston, Jacksonville, and Atlanta, with a paid attorney position at some point in the future. The office serves persons, regardless of religious affiliation, and is conveniently located at the Pastoral Center on Victory Drive. Volunteer attorneys will have a desk and computer outfitted with a filing system, and the necessary forms and letters. An interpreter for Spanish and French is available at the office, as is access to speakers of several other languages.

Familiarity with immigration law is a plus, but not a necessity. Catholic Charities offers both introductory and specialized on-line trainings through CLINIC that will help participants build immigration law expertise. Additionally, the agencies that administrate immigration law, generally USCIS and the State Department, helpfully publish their policy manuals on line, and advice is always available from the network of CLINIC attorneys.

Any attorneys, paralegals, or others with law-related experience may wish to consider volunteering. The need for immigration-related legal services has rarely been greater, and the office will gratefully welcome any amount of time that can be offered.

Please contact Graham Cunningham  
([gunningham@diosav.org](mailto:gunningham@diosav.org))  
or Sister Pat Brown (912 201 4058;  
[pmbrown@diosav.org](mailto:pmbrown@diosav.org))  
with any questions or expressions of interest.



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## Odyssey Case Management System Update

Savannah Attorneys: If you did not receive or respond to the February 8, 2018 email from Rebecca Batey regarding updating your attorney information in the Odyssey Case Management system please contact Rebecca Batey at [cjispm@chathamcounty.org](mailto:cjispm@chathamcounty.org). This information would be much appreciated and will help to update and eliminate duplicate information for the Odyssey Case Management system that is used by all Chatham County Courts.



March 29, 2018

The Board of Directors of Atlanta's John Marshall Law School has reluctantly decided not to enroll new students at its branch campus in Savannah - Savannah Law School. The Savannah campus will cease operations over the next 5 years. All students currently at the Savannah campus may continue their coursework in Savannah, transfer to the main campus in Atlanta, apply to visit at another institution, or apply to transfer to another institution.

This hard decision resulted from Savannah Law School's inability to attract a necessary applicant pool to ever achieve sustainable enrollment levels. This problem has been part of a national trend in legal education.

Savannah Law School will be vacating the facility in which it is currently located on Drayton Street. As of June 1, 2018, Savannah Law School will be in its new location on Hodgson Memorial Drive. The building will accommodate the needs of the law school community and permit legal instruction and study to continue in an uninterrupted manner.

The Board is committed to continuing Savannah Law School's operations at its current high level of academic standard. The Board is further committed to minimizing the impact of this difficult decision and is working with all groups, students, faculty, and staff to address their concerns.

Any questions should be directed to the Chair of the Board, Richard B. Herzog, at [Richard.Herzog@nelsonmullins.com](mailto:Richard.Herzog@nelsonmullins.com)

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## Bouhan Falligant, LLP seeks an Experienced Associate

Bouhan Falligant LLP is seeking a transactional associate with at least three years' experience. All applications will be kept confidential. Please submit resume and cover letter to Maggie Puccini at [mpuccini@bouhan.com](mailto:mpuccini@bouhan.com).

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## Three of Four Suite Office Suite for Rent

Three of four office suite with reception area and kitchen with off-street parking in Midtown are, Drayton and 32nd St. for rent. \$2250/mo. Short or long term leases available.  
Call 912-232-2136 Derek A.T. Kauhane, Wiseman Blackburn, LLC

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## Now Open for Submissions

The Savannah Bar Association is always seeking content for upcoming editions of *The Citation*.

Members are encouraged to submit:

- Your professional and personal announcements
- Law-related advertisements,
- Articles or announcements regarding your preferred philanthropies
- Other written submissions.

Suggestions for improving *The Citation* are also always welcome.

Finally, we love to receive photographs and video to share with our readers! Bear in mind that our readers include not only current SBA members, but also many judges and law school students.

Please contact us at [SBACitation@gmail.com](mailto:SBACitation@gmail.com) with submissions or inquiries.

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