

Okaloosa-Walton Bar Association

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May 2004 Edition

Law Week Schedule

Judicial Reception

May 13, 2004

7:00 P.M.

\$20.00 per person

Aunt Martha's Bed & Breakfast

315 Shell Avenue

Ft. Walton Beach, Florida

Catered by Staff's Restaurant

Spouses/Significant Others Welcome

Law Day Luncheon

Guest Speaker: Justice Kenneth Bell

May 14, 2004

Noon

\$20.00 per person

Ramada Inn Beach Resort

Ambassador Room

Okaloosa Island, Florida

Staff Welcome

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Next Meeting

Due to the Judicial Reception and the Law Day Luncheon, there will be no regular monthly meeting this month. We hope to see all of you at the Law Week Events. Please see page one of the newsletter for details. Also as part of Law Week, Fran Novak of Harry Barr's office, has once again volunteered to chair the poster contest committee. The theme this year is Brown Versus the Board of Education. Ms. Novak will pickup the posters on May 4, 2004 for

judging and the results will be announced at the Law Day Luncheon. The Board wishes to thank Fran for her dedication and hard work, and also special thanks to Glenn Swiatek for chairing the Law Week Committee this year. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

Congratulations Patricia Grinsted!

The Okaloosa-Walton Bar Association congratulates Patricia Grinsted on her appointment to the county court bench for Okaloosa County. Ms. Grinsted was appointed by Governor Jeb Bush on April 27, 2004. Ms. Grinsted will be commissioned and take the oath of office on May 4, 2004. Details of her investiture are forthcoming and will be forwarded to you as soon as possible. I know you all join me in wishing Judge Grinsted the best of luck as she makes the transition and offer your help and support in doing so.

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Child Support Hearing Officer

Due to Ms. Grinsted's appointment to the bench, Okaloosa County will be seeking someone to fill the position of child support hearing officer. Details will be forthcoming. Look for them on the Florida Bar website, the local newspaper, the courthouse, and from me of course!

Office Space for Rent

PRIME LAW OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT one block from the Courthouse! 12 Old Ferry Road, Shalimar. Fully furnished executive office and secretarial space in a well-established law office building. Amenities include receptionist, library, conference room, phone system, copiers, kitchen and storage area. Contact Julie Harrison (651-5240) for more information.

Can you guess the quote?

"We come then to the question presented: Does segregation of children in public schools solely on the basis of race, even though the physical facilities and other 'tangible' factors may be equal, deprive the children of the minority group of equal educational opportunities? We believe that it does." And therefore, "Any language in Plessy v. Ferguson contrary to this finding is rejected."