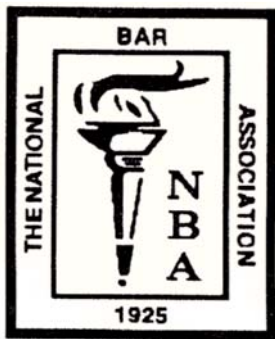


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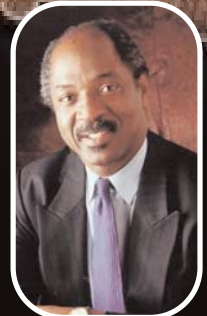
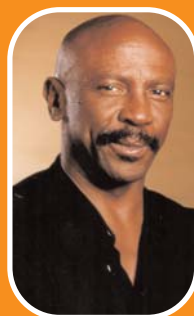
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GENERAL INFORMATION

The National Bar Association Annual Mid-Year Conference and Gertrude E. Rush Award Dinner will be held May 9-13, 2007 at The Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa located 3555 South Ocean Drive, Hollywood, Florida 33019.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Member pre-registration rate for the Mid-Year Conference and Gertrude E. Rush Award Dinner is \$275 on or **before May 2, 2007**. Registration includes one luncheon ticket, one dinner ticket and continuing legal education (CLE) seminars. Member registration fee **after May 2, 2007** is \$300.

A preliminary schedule of events and pre-registration form are enclosed. Please complete the pre-registration form and mail it with payment or fax it with credit card information to the National Bar Association's Headquarters by **May 2, 2007**. The National Bar Association's fax number is (202) 289-6170. You may also wish to register online at www.nationalbar.org

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AIRLINE INFORMATION

American Airlines is the official airlines for the National Bar Association Annual Mid-Year Conference & Gertrude E. Rush Awards Dinner. To obtain airline discounts for the Meeting, please call **American Airlines Reservations at 1-800-433-1790** and refer to **Star file Code A2957AF**. Certain restrictions apply. Ground shuttle transportation is available at the airport.

To insure that the NBA establishes a history that in turn will enable us to negotiate lower airfares, be sure to register your flight with our official airlines.

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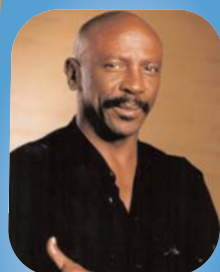
All Board of Governors reports must be in writing. To be included in the Board packets, written reports must be received by **Friday, April 27, 2007**.

Continuing Legal Education - The National Bar Association is an accredited sponsor in those states with mandatory CLE requirements. The following seminars may be used to satisfy your CLE credits. Consult your state for specific requirements. The NBA Uniform Certificate of Attendance (U.C.O.A.) and any applicable state forms must be completed to receive CLE credits.

2007 Gertrude E. Rush Awardees



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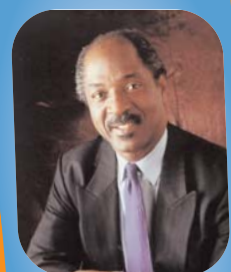
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2007

Arrival

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. **NBA Women Lawyers Division Law Students Mentoring Workshop**
Sponsored by: NBA Women Lawyers Division and Gwen S Cherry Black Women Lawyers Division

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. NBA Board of Governors Reception

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2007

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon NBA Board of Governors Meeting

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. **NBA Judicial Council Community Outreach**

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. **NBA Leadership Development Institute**

Join NBA President-Elect and other bar leaders as they provide insight and practical advice on professional development. Participation is mandatory for all individuals planning to run for NBA offices

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **Welcome To Hollywood Reception**

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2007

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Seminar I

Seminar I: "2007 Road to the Bench"

Sponsored by: NBA Judicial Selection Committee

Objective: In this seminar, Federal and State Court Judges will explore how to become a judge and guide attendees through the process of securing judgeship by the elective and appointment process.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Seminar II

Seminar II: "Developing A Trial Theme From Jury Selection to Verdict"

Sponsored by: NBA Civil Trial Advocacy Section

Objective: How to develop and utilize a trial theme from jury selection to closing argument.

12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. **HEMAN MARION SWEATT AWARDS LUNCHEON**

Honorees:

*Harley Herman, Esq.
Carolyn Y. Howard, Esq.
The Honorable Edward Rodgers
Delano S. Stewart, Esq.*

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. NBA Judicial Council Executive Committee Meeting

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Region XI Business Meeting

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Seminar III

Seminar III: "Human Trafficking"

Sponsored by: NBA Women Lawyers Division and Civil Rights Division

Objective: Understanding human trafficking in the 21st century-- the crimes, prosecution and human rights.

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. NBA Committee, Division, Section & Region Meetings

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. **Mid Year Conference Reception**

10:00 p.m. Virgil Hawkins Florida Chapter Networking Social

SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2007

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. NBA Board of Governors Meeting (if needed)

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. President-Elect Planning Committee Meeting

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. National Bar Institute Board Meeting

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Seminar IV

Seminar IV: "Judicial Independence"

Sponsored by: ABA Standing Committee on Judicial Independence

Objective: The importance of Judicial Independence and the role attorney must play addressing this issue locally.

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. NBA Judicial Council Chair Elect's Planning Meeting

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. **Gertrude E. Rush Cocktail Hour**

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. **GERTRUDE E. RUSH AWARD DINNER** (Black Tie)

10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Dessert Reception
Sponsored by: Searcy Denney Scarola Barnhart & Shipley

SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2007

10:00 a.m. Devotional Service

Departure

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Registration Form

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2. By Fax at 202-289-6170
3. Online at www.nationalbar.org

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Members @ \$275 _____

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Non-Members @ \$325 _____

Guest Registration @ \$225 _____

Guest Name (for ID): _____

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After May 2, 2007

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Award Dinner Only

Additional Dinner Ticket(s) @ \$150 each _____

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