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Message From the President



Robert F. Riley
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2020 is off to a fast start as the Michigan Chapter Executive Officers embark on a number of activities designed to make ABOTA more relevant to our members, the legal community, and indeed the community at large...

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New ABOTA Member

As of 1-27-2020



Todd J. Stearn

Law Offices of Todd J Stearn PLC

[Email](#)

Submit Names for Potential Members

Do you know a lawyer who would be a good candidate for ABOTA Membership? Let us know!

Email your requests to Judy Susskind
jsusskind@sommerspc.com

[Nomination Form](#)

2019 Award Recipients

Civility Award



Steven and Linda Galbraith

Lifetime Judicial Achievement Award



Thomas Waun and Hon. Bridget McCormak

Outstanding Service Award



Madelyne Lawry and Judith Susskind

Presidential Award





Thomas Waun and Robert Riley

New Website Launched!



The new Michigan ABOTA Chapter website is now cleaner and easier to navigate. Check out the member directory, the photo gallery, and more!

[Visit the website](#)

Upcoming Events

2020 ABOTA Membership Meeting



Wednesday, May 20th, 2020
The Baronette Renaissance Hotel
27790 Novi Road
Novi, MI, 48837
6:00pm - 9:00pm

Annual Meeting and Holiday Gathering



Friday, December 4, 2020
The Dearborn Inn
20301 Oakwood Boulevard
Dearborn, MI 48124

Secure your room reservation TODAY by calling Marriott reservations (313) 271-2700 or toll-free 1(800) 228-9290. Rooms are \$159.00.

Photos from Last Year's Party

Thank you to last year's Holiday Dinner Party sponsors!



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STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
Negligence Law Section

Negligence Section Young Lawyers Training Series

Join Thomas Behm and Robert F. Riley for

**Young Lawyers Trial Skills:
Case Preparation -
Mastering Expert Depositions**

Monday, April 20, 2020 – 5:30 - 7:30 PM at Riley & Hurley PC
19853 Outer Drive Ste 100 Dearborn, Michigan 48124

-AND-

Tuesday, April 21, 2020 – 5:30 - 7:30 PM – Gruel Mills Nims & Pylman PLLC
99 Monroe Ave NW Ste 800 Grand Rapids, Michigan 4950

A presentation seeking to guide Young Lawyers to successful case

preparation, facilitative mediation, and/or jury trials. The presentation will be offered twice with the same speakers, and possible guest lecturers at a different time and place. Open to lawyers with five or less years of experience, or are under 36 years of age. Space is limited, so register early! The cost is \$25.00.

[Registration Form](#)

Save the Dates

Other Trial Skills Program Meetings

The Practical Realities of the New Court Rules:

Monday, July 27, 2020 – 5:30 - 7:30 PM – Riley & Hurley PC – 19853 Outer Drive Ste 100 Dearborn, Michigan 48124

-AND-

Tuesday, July 28, 2020 – 5:30 - 7:30 PM – Gruel Mills Nims & Pylman PLLC 99 Monroe Ave NW Ste 800 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

Advanced Facilitation/Mediation:

Monday, September 14, 2020 – 5:30 - 7:30 PM – Riley & Hurley PC – 19853 Outer Drive Ste 100 Dearborn, Michigan 48124

-AND-

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 – 5:30 - 7:30 PM – Gruel Mills Nims & Pylman PLLC 99 Monroe Ave NW Ste 800 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

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