

A vibrant sunset over the ocean with reeds in the foreground. The sun is a bright yellow circle in the upper center, casting a shimmering path of light across the water. The sky transitions from orange near the horizon to a lighter yellow at the top. In the foreground, several tall, dark reeds with feathery heads are silhouetted against the bright background.

SCDTAA

56TH ANNUAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 16-19, 2023
THE SANCTUARY
KIAWAH ISLAND, SC

FROM THE PRESIDENT



On behalf of the SCDTAA Officers and Board of Directors, it is my privilege to invite you to our 56th Annual Meeting. We are happy to return to The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island, a world-class venue that provides a perfect setting to relax, catch up with colleagues and friends, and interact with our state and federal judiciary.

Our Annual Meeting Committee, which is chaired by Jay Thompson, has put together an outstanding CLE program that will be both informative and entertaining. Chief Justice Donald W. Beatty of the South Carolina Supreme Court will join us to discuss the state of the judiciary. Other relevant presentation topics include artificial intelligence in the law, developing the next generation of leaders in your firm, and obtaining and using feedback from jurors. We will also enjoy a panel presentation on mental health and wellness, which is of vital importance given the stressors we face as defense lawyers. Luke Kissam, former CEO and Chairman of Albemarle Corporation, the largest producer of lithium in the world, will provide perspectives from in-house counsel and the C-suite. Finally, Melissa Johnson and Nicholas Pacitti of Elliott Davis, our Platinum sponsor for the Annual Meeting, will provide insight into the analysis of a plaintiff's financial expert report. We sincerely appreciate Elliott Davis' sponsorship of our Annual Meeting, and the support of our many other sponsors who will be exhibiting at The Sanctuary.

Our wonderful Executive Director, Aimee Hiers, has arranged for a wide variety of social and recreational activities, including golf on beautiful Kiawah Island, an inshore fishing excursion, a pickleball tournament, and a trivia contest. There will be plenty of opportunities for networking, including at the President's Welcome Reception on Thursday night, the Friday night banquet and dancing, our Saturday night Lowcountry dinner, and, of course, in the hospitality suite, where you can watch your favorite college football team in action on Saturday.

It has been an honor to serve as SCDTAA President this year, and I am thankful to our Officers, Board of Directors, members, and Aimee for making this another successful year for our Association. I look forward to celebrating with each of you on Kiawah Island!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Giles M. Schanen, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Giles M. Schanen, Jr.
SCDTAA President

ACTIVITIES

Please register for these activities on the enclosed registration form

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

12:30pm Golf Tournament

To be played on the Osprey Point Course. Osprey Point is one of the most popular courses with resort guests. Totally renovated in 2014 under the direction of course architect Tom Fazio, Osprey Point features tees, greens and fairways grassed with Paspalum. Fazio blended a par-72 layout that takes advantage of its setting. The course offers a wide variety of holes, each presenting its own unique challenges and beauty, which are bound to produce an enjoyable round. Each hole is unique and memorable. There are four challenging par-3s, four extremely distinctive par-5s and ten outstanding par-4s ranging in length from 340 yards to 461 yards from the championship tees.



Since Fazio's design was for a member's only type of course, Osprey Point is very playable for the average golfer. It features generous landing areas and few forced carries. From the proper tees, the course poses appropriate challenges to the better golfers and fairness to the high-handicapper, senior golfers and junior golfers. For the better player, the course is very challenging with plenty of hazards to avoid, numerous risk/reward options and doglegs that go both left to right and right to left, requiring a premium on both accuracy and finesse. Osprey Point is ranked 10th in Golf For Women magazine's list of the "50 Best Golf Courses for Women," It was also recently awarded a near-perfect 4½ stars in Golf Digest's "Best Places to Play" reader's poll where it was considered one of the best values in South Carolina.

Maximum of 28 people

\$495.00 per person / Boxed lunch included

12:45pm Inshore Fishing Charter - The spectacular inshore and nearshore waters that surround Kiawah Island, South Carolina support an incredible fishery that is specific to this stretch of the coast. Miles of pristine marshes, creeks, rivers, bays and flats make up our tidal estuaries that hold an abundance of gamefish throughout the year. These fertile waters offer incredible fishing within minutes of Kiawah Island. Experience the Lowcountry and discover why it has become one of the East coast's premier fishing destinations.



Minimum of 4 people required and a maximum of 16 people
\$525.00 per person / Box lunch included

2:00pm Name that Tune/Trivia - So maybe you wish you'd been a rockstar ... well, come test your knowledge of lyrics at our Name that Tune/Trivia contest! We'll have tasty beverages and fabulous prizes!

Minimum of 8 people required
\$35.00 per person

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

6:00am Beach Run

Join fellow attendees for a relaxing run on the beach.

Complimentary

2:00pm Pickleball Tournament



Don't miss the inaugural SCDTAA pickleball tournament! Whether you are a first timer, or a long-time player come enjoy an afternoon of pickleball. The event will start with reviewing the rules of the game and providing instructional tips to improve all aspects of play. We will then move into a round-robin style play. Get a good work out and enjoy cold drinks in the warm sun, as we serve-up lots of fun. All abilities welcome!

Minimum of 4 people required
\$75.00 per person



**Guarantees for activities will be given October 18th,
no refunds for activities will be granted after October 18th**

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island is located at One Sanctuary Beach Drive, Kiawah Island, SC 29455. Group reservations for the meeting can only be made for registered meeting attendees. The SCDTAA room block has a limited number of rooms and to ensure everyone can reserve a room at this time you may only reserve 1 room per registered attendee/one room per company for exhibitors. If you need a second room SCDTAA will let you know closer to the meeting if a second room is available. Guaranteed reservation must be accompanied by a major credit card. The Sanctuary will not hold any reservations unless secured by a credit card. The room rate at the Sanctuary is \$259.00/night plus tax. To request hotel room reservations please fill out the HOTEL RESERVATION FORM (which can be found on the SCDTAA website) with your Annual Meeting registration form. Meeting registration forms with payment must accompany hotel reservation form. **Hotel form will not be accepted unless you have submitted a registration AND payment prior to or along with the hotel form.**

All deposits are refundable up to 7 days prior to arrival. Availability of rooms at the group rate is subject to the SCDTAA room block and for reservations made on or before, Monday, October 19, 2023 the cutoff date. Reservations requests received after the room block is has been fully reserved or after the release of unused rooms on October 19, 2023 will be accepted based on a space and rate availability basis.

Directions

Directions to The Sanctuary can be found on their website <http://www.kiawahresort.com/about-the-resort/> under the "our location" section.

Cancellation Policy

A refund, less \$300.00, will be given to cancellations before October 23, 2023. No refunds will be given after October 23, 2023.

Conference Attire

Dress for the sessions will be casual, business casual for the President's Welcome Reception, and Saturday evening's event will be held outside and is resort casual. Friday night's dinner is black tie optional. Attire for the hotel is resort casual.



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2023 ANNUAL MEETING TENTATIVE AGENDA

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023

- 3:00pm - 5:00pm** **Board of Director's Meeting**
- 4:00pm - 6:00pm** **Registration Desk Open**
- 5:00pm - 6:00pm** **Nominating Committee Meeting**
- 5:00pm - 6:00pm** **Young Lawyer's Meeting**
- 6:30pm - 7:30pm** **President's Welcome Reception**
- Dinner on your own**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

- 7:15am** **Registration Desk Open**
- 7:45am - 8:15am** **Breakfast Honoring the South Carolina Judiciary**
- 8:30am - 9:00am** **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
Membership Meeting, Election of Officers & Board of Directors
Giles M. Schanen, Jr., President SCDTAA
Jay T. Thompson, Annual Meeting Chair
- 9:00am - 10:00am** **Keynote - Artificial Intelligence in the Law**
Hy Hetherington, CEO HLP Integration

- 10:00am - 10:30am** **Elliott Davis Presentation: Analyzing a Plaintiff's Financial Expert Report**
Melissa J. Johnson, CPA, CVA, MAFF
Nicholas J. Pacitti, ABV, CFE
- 10:30am - 10:45am** **Break**
- 10:45am - 11:15am** **State of the Judiciary**
Chief Justice Donald W. Beatty, South Carolina Supreme Court
- 11:15am - 12:00pm** **Developing the Next Generation of Leaders in Your Firm**
J.R. Murphy, Murphy & Grantland
- 12:15pm - 1:30pm** **Women in Law Reception**
- 12:30pm** **Golf Tournament**
- 12:30pm** **Fishing Excursion**
- 2:00pm** **Name that Tune/Trivia**
- 5:30pm** **Past President's Reception**
(By Invitation Only)
- 6:30pm** **Cocktail Reception**
- 7:30pm** **Friday Night Banquet and Dancing**
(Black tie optional)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

- 6:15am** **Group Run**
- 7:30am** **Registration Desk Open**
- 7:30am** **Breakfast**

- 8:15am - 9:15am** **Changes in Attitude - Panel Discussion on Mental Health and Wellness Panel**
Michael W. Abro, South Carolina Bar - Education and Outreach Coordinator, Lawyers Helping Lawyers
Sarah Wetmore Butler, Car
Beth Padgett, South Carolina Bar - Co-Director, Lawyers Helping Lawyers
The Honorable Roger M. Young, Sr., South Carolina Circuit Court
- 9:15am - 9:45am** **SEA Presentation: Defective Product or Product Misuse: Defending Product Liability Actions**
Brian M. Boggess, P.E.
- 9:45am - 10:00am** **DRI Update**
- 10:00am - 10:15am** **Break**
- 10:15am - 11:00am** **Keynote - Perspectives from In-House Counsel and the C-Suite**
Luther C. Kissam IV, Former Chairman and CEO of Albemarle Corporation
- 11:00am - 12:00pm** **Breakout Sessions**
A) Panel Discussion - Obtaining and Using Juror Feedback
Jeffrey M. Crudup, Clarkson Walsh & Coulter
Lindsay A. Joyner, Gallivan White & Boyd
The Honorable Carmen T. Mullen, South Carolina Circuit Court
Chilton G. Simmons, Rogers Townsend
B) Emerging Leaders Breakout - The Business of Law for an Associate
- 2:00pm** **Pickleball Tournament**
Afternoon on Your Own/Hospitality Suite Open
- 7:00pm** **Lowcountry Dinner**

FUTURE MEETING DATES

2024 SUMMER MEETING

July 18-20
The Omni Grove Park Inn
Asheville, NC

2024 ANNUAL MEETING

November 7-10
The Ritz Carlton Amelia Island
Amelia Island, FL

2025 SUMMER MEETING

July 24-26
The Omni Grove Park Inn
Asheville, NC

2025 ANNUAL MEETING

November 13-16
The Westin
Savannah, GA

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