



16th Annual FLABOTA Convention

Renaissance Vinoy Resort & Golf Club, St. Petersburg, FL

July 11-14, 2013



FLABOTA and I look forward to welcoming you to the elegant and historic Renaissance Vinoy Resort in St. Petersburg, July 11 – 14 for our 16th Annual Convention. The Vinoy is the keystone of St. Petersburg's trendy, bustling downtown waterfront. It is pedestrian-friendly, criss-crossed by well tended parks, and enlivened by world-class museums, galleries, theatres, restaurants, shops and boutiques. Striking new architecture rubs shoulders with historic structures, American Style magazine has named St. Petersburg the nation's number one destination for the arts. Add to this the casual sophistication of The Renaissance Vinoy Resort and Golf Club, and there's simply no doubt this will be a special weekend for the whole family.

Join us for three days of the reflection, education, networking, camaraderie, war stories, and fun for which FLABOTA Conventions are known for. Saturday evening will feature our annual awards banquet honoring the Jurist and Trial Lawyer of the Year. We will have our annual golf outing; receptions with a casually elegant flare; and time to relax with the family will all be part of the Convention's agenda. Plan on nothing fancier than "guayabera casual," and joining us for cigars on the porch overlooking beautiful Tampa Bay.

See you there!

C. Howard Hunter, Esquire, President, FLABOTA
Florida Chapters of American Board of Trial Advocates

Convention Schedule of Events

ARRIVAL DAY - THURSDAY, JULY 11

- 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.** **FLABOTA Registration and Check-in** – Lobby of the Vinoy Grand Ballroom
Convention registrants and seminar faculty alike should stop by the registration desk to pick up information packets, name badges and other items to ensure you have all the latest information.
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** **Welcome Reception** – Tea Garden - *Hosted by CED Investigative Technologies, Inc.*
Meet and greet those who have arrived for the convention. Enjoy a bit of cheer and some tasty morsels while you get (re)acquainted with your ABOTA friends. Make dinner plans while you enjoy the historic property and its beautiful garden.
- Evening** **On your own** – *The Renaissance Vinoy has restaurants situated throughout the resort, each designed to complement its surroundings, from Marchand's, the resort's signature restaurant . . . to casual, poolside dining . . . or casual dining overlooking the beautiful 18-hole golf course (a short shuttle ride away). You can also enjoy a wide variety of restaurants along and just off the city's waterfront.*



EDUCATION DAY - FRIDAY, JULY 12

- 8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.** **Seminar Registration, Exhibits and Continental Breakfast** – Lobby of the Vinoy Grand Ballroom
Continental breakfast provided courtesy of MBB Radiology
- 8:45 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.** **FLABOTA Educational Program** – The Vinoy Grand Ballroom
Issues and Innovations in Trial Practice and Discovery featuring well-known speakers on topics relating to the latest tools every trial lawyer and judge need to know. See separate seminar agenda. Application pending for CLE and CJE credits.
- 11:50 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.** **Seminar Luncheon** – Plaza Ballroom
 This luncheon is part of the educational program and includes two speakers.
Luncheon sponsored by Florida Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company
- 10:25 a.m. - 3:30 a.m.** **Spouse & Companion Activities** – *Join us as we enjoy a St. Petersburg Arts Experience, on Friday! Please meet us on the front porch at 10:25 for a short walk to the Chihuly Collection, the Morean Arts Center, and the Glass Studio & Hot Shop. Lunch will be at 400 Beach Seafood & Tap House.*
- 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** **FLABOTA Reception** – Mezzanine / Terrace
Hosted by US Legal Support
The Vinoy's award-winning culinary team will surprise and delight! Passed hors d'oeuvres will be accompanied by a Little Italy Station, a Cuban station and an assortment of deserts – something for everyone!



LEISURE MORNING/BUSINESS AFTERNOON/BANQUET NIGHT - SATURDAY, JULY 13



- 8:00 a.m.** **The Joseph P. Milton Memorial Golf Tournament** – The Vinoy Golf Course
Shotgun Start
 Golfers should plan to take a shuttle from the front lobby, and the short 5 minute drive to the course. The 6,581-yard, par 71 course was designed by Ron Gari, a passionate golfer and nature lover. The course is a certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary refuge for wildlife, and each hole is surrounded by diverse vegetation. An 8:00 a.m. shotgun start is scheduled so be in your cart and ready to go at least by 7:45. We'll have lunch and awards at the Clubhouse, after 18 holes of play. Practice range opens at 7:00 a.m. and a light breakfast will be available at the course.
- TBA** **For the Non-Golfers**
Details of a healthy program for those who are not golfing will be announced soon.
- 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** **FLABOTA Business Meetings** –
All ABOTA Members Welcome to Attend
 3:30-4:30 p.m. FLABOTA Board of Directors Meeting
 4:30 - 5:00 p.m. FLABOTA Annual Meeting
Note: ABOTA National President Mick Callahan and other state organization leaders will be attending to share information about their respective programs.
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** **Cocktail Reception** – The Vinoy Grand Ballroom Foyer
Hosted by Sabadell United Bank
Honoring the Trial Lawyer and Jurist of the Year and other award recipients as well as the judiciary – open bar and hors d'oeuvres
- 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.** **FLABOTA Annual Awards Banquet** – The Vinoy Grand Ballroom
 Special Guests and Past Presidents recognized
 Presentation of Awards:
 Fran Peacock Coker Community Service Award
 Jurist of the Year
 Trial Lawyer of the Year



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FLABOTA Educational Program - Friday, July 12 • Renaissance Vinoy Resort & Golf Club

- 8:00 - 8:45 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast** – Vinoy Grand Ballroom Foyer
Sponsored by Trial Exhibits, Inc.
- 8:45 - 9:00 a.m. Welcome, Introductions and Sponsor & Exhibitor Recognition**
- 9:00 - 9:50 a.m. 21st Century Demonstrative Evidence: An Update on Animation, Simulation, and Understanding of Medical Issues**
Stuart Hart, M.D., F.A.C.O.G., F.A.C.S., *Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation (CAMLs), The University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida*
Jack Stein, *Trial Exhibits, Inc., Tampa, Florida*
- 9:50 - 10:40 a.m. Electronic Discovery and Electronic Forensics: A Primer on Technology and Comment on Mediation**
Chris Haley, *Director of Litigation Technology, Troutman Sanders eMerge, LLC*
John J. Upchurch, Esquire and Robert A. Cole, Esquire, *Upchurch, Watson, White & Max, Jacksonville/Daytona, Florida*
- 10:40 - 10:55 a.m. Break**
- 10:55 - 11:45 a.m. Summary Jury Trials - Why They are Gathering National Momentum**
Michael P. Maguire, Esquire, *Michael Maguire & Associates, Costa Mesa, California*
- 11:50 - 1:25 p.m. Luncheon – Sponsored by Florida Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company (FLMIC)**
Speakers:
FLMIC Risk Management Tips and Updates - Nancy Stuparich
Public Support of Judicial Independence: Debriefing Florida’s 2012 Merit Retention Election - Neal A. Roth, Esquire
- 1:30 - 1:45 p.m. Introductions for Afternoon Session, Sponsor and Exhibitor Recognition**
- 1:45 - 2:35 p.m. Ethics Issues for Trial Lawyers**
Edward K. Cheffy, Esquire *Cheffy Passidomo, Naples, Florida*
- 2:35 - 3:25 p.m. Developing the Appellate Record: The Responsibility of Bar and Bench**
Raymond T. Elligett, Jr., Esquire, *Buell & Elligett, P.A., Tampa, Florida*
Honorable Anthony Black, *Second District Court of Appeals*
- 3:25 - 4:15 p.m. Ying v. Yang - Controversies in Trial and Discovery**
Plaintiff’s view: Kevin McLaughlin, Esquire, *Wagner, Vaughan, and McLaughlin, P.A., Tampa, Florida*
Defense view: Jeffrey M. Goodis, Esquire, *Goodis Thompson Miller, St. Petersburg, Florida*



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CLER credits hours by The Florida Bar and CJE credits by Court Education division of OSCA are pending.

Registration Form

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Register online at www.flabota.org or mail Registration Form and check payable to FLABOTA to:
Alison Pruitt, 349 Granada Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. If you have additional questions, please contact her at flabota@flabota.org or call (561) 802-4310. **You will receive an e-confirmation on receipt of your registration.**

Please type or print. Information below will be used for confirmation and name badges.

Name: _____ Name Badge Preference for First Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Spouse or Guest: _____

Children / Age(s): _____

CONVENTION REGISTRATION:

(Includes Saturday Annual Banquet and all events EXCEPT Friday educational program and Saturday golf tournament)

ABOTA Member \$350 x ____ = \$ _____
Spouse/Guest \$350 x ____ = \$ _____

PLEASE CONFIRM NUMBER OF THOSE ATTENDING EACH EVENT:

Thursday Evening Welcome Reception _____
Friday Morning Activity for Those not attending the Seminar _____
Friday Educational Seminar _____
Friday Reception _____
Saturday Morning Golf _____
Saturday Morning Activity for Those not Golfing _____
Saturday Afternoon Board Business Meeting _____
Saturday Evening Annual Awards Reception/Banquet _____

FRIDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM REGISTRATION

(includes continental breakfast, breaks and lunch)
ABOTA Members registered for Convention \$150 x ____ = \$ _____
ABOTA Members not registered for Convention \$275 x ____ = \$ _____
Attorneys who are not ABOTA Members \$375 x ____ = \$ _____
Members of the Judiciary \$ 50 x ____ = \$ _____
Law Students \$100 x ____ = \$ _____

SATURDAY GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

(includes greens/cart fees/taxes) \$ 200 x ____ = \$ _____

Please provide skill level for each golfer. Groups will be assigned to balance skill levels.

Golfer: _____ Handicap or Avg. Score _____
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SATURDAY RECEPTION AND ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET ONLY

(For those who are only attending banquet. Please do NOT check if you already registered for the convention, above.)

\$195 x ____ = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$ _____

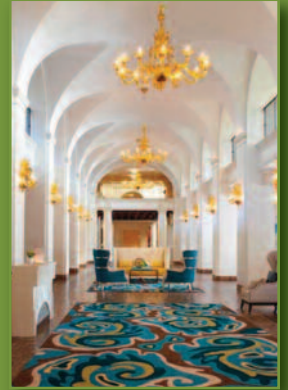
The dress code for all events will be Guayabera casual, except for the Saturday evening Awards Banquet, which is jacket for men (ties not required), dress or pantsuit for ladies.

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Reservations: 1-888-303-4430 and reference the FLABOTA Annual Convention.

Renaissance Vinoy Resort & Golf Club is a historic hotel just steps from downtown St. Petersburg. The comfortable elegance of the property will be enjoyed by FLABOTA members in a “Guayaberra Casual” feeling at our 16th Annual Convention. Our educational seminar will be held in the Grand Ballroom, where a Chihuly chandelier welcomes and warms.

Located on the Tampa Bay waterfront, overlooking a private marina and amidst the vibrant culture and arts of St. Petersburg, The Vinoy is walking distance to shopping, entertainment and restaurants. Special packages are offered by the Salon and Day Spa, and state-of-the-art machines, treadmills, and complimentary fitness classes can be found in the Fitness Center. Great dining at The Vinoy is more than food for thought. Rocking chairs on a large but cozy-feeling front porch overlook the waterfront.

Spouses and guests will enjoy a History Tour and Luncheon as part of the FLABOTA Convention, and will also have nearby: the Morean Arts Center, The Museum of Fine Arts, The Museum of History, the Florida Holocaust Museum, the Great Explorations Kids’ Museum, antique shopping in a thriving district along Central Avenue, and a five-story marketplace with shops and restaurants in the city’s landmark which juts half a mile into Tampa Bay on The Pier.



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