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NEXT MEETING

Friday, March 22

12 Noon At Marina Jack Officers

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March Program:

An Introduction to the State Attorney's Office and the **Criminal Justice System**

Mr. Ed Brodsky, Florida State Attorney, 12th Judicial District will be the speaker.

About Our Speaker – Ed Brodsky

Ed Brodsky began his legal career in 1992 and is a career long prosecutor having served with the State Attorney's Office for 31 years. After completing rotations in the misdemeanor, juvenile, and felony divisions, Mr. Brodsky served in the child sex crimes unit prosecuting offenders who preyed on children under 12. He then served as a felony division chief, then as chief assistant over Manatee County and then chief assistant over all 3 counties in the 12th circuit. Ed then became State Attorney, was sworn into office in January 2013, and is currently in his third term as State Attorney. Ed serves on the state advisory group on juvenile justice and delinquency after his appointment by then governor Rick Scott. He is the immediate past president of the Florida Prosecuting Attorney's Association (FPAA). He serves as state director for Florida with the National District Attorney's Association (NDAA). He also serves as an adjunct professor for the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee. Ed obtained his undergraduate degree in criminology from the University of South Florida and his law degree from Nova University Law School in Ft. Lauderdale, FI. Ed is married to his wife Kim and they have 2 children.

Amicus Personae – Joel Henning

Member of the Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota

Joel Henning graduated from Harvard College and Law School whereupon he abandoned law (not for the last time) and spent a year on the Africa-Asia Fellowship program sponsored by the Ford Foundation, working for the government of India.

Thereafter he practiced law with the Chicago firm formerly known as Sonnenschein Carlin Nath & Rosenthal, now (or last time he checked) enormously swollen into the global SNR Denton.

Joel began consulting with law firms and legal departments as Joel Henning & Associates, later combined into Hildebrandt International, where he was Senior Vice-President and General Counsel.

For more than 30 years Joel has written on arts and culture for The Wall Street Journal and is now laboring on a novel. Along the way he has written several books on legal issues as well as "Holistic Running," on how activities such as running can impact one's life well beyond sweat and cardio-fitness.

He has spent the last few winters in Sarasota and still has for sale a three-story town house in Chicago which he welcomes you to buy.

It's Time to Pay 2024 Dues

The Board of Directors has been able to maintain the \$55 annual amount for the past 9 years. Please mail your 2024 dues payment of \$55 and/or your luncheon payment of \$28 payable to the

Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota, Inc.

Please send to: Ben Berman, 4223 MacKay Falls Terrace, Sarasota, FL 34243

We are pleased to accept your payment by check or through our online payment option.

Make payments on our website: \$55 for 2024 dues using PayPal at www.retiredattorneyssarasota.org

Please note: The last day to pay annual dues is March 31, 2024

2024 Dues Paid As of March 12, 2024

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Future Programs

March 22, 2024. Mr. Ed Brodsky, Florida State Attorney, 12th Judicial District: "An Introduction to the State Attorney's Office and the Criminal Justice System."

April 18, 2024. Dr. Robert Barylski, Retired associate professor in the Department of Government and International Relations at USF Sarasota and former Dean of the University: "The War in Ukraine: What do the Russians really want ? What would they accept ? What could we accept."

May 31, 2024. The Hon. Diana Moreland, Chief Judge of the 12th Judiciary Circuit of Florida: "Protecting The Quill";

June 28, 2024. Tom Shults, Attorney and member of the Retired Lawyers of Sarasota who represented the Sarasota Alliance For Fair Elections: "The History of Elections in America."

Luncheon Payments

You may make payments on our website at the bottom of the page: \$28 for lunch and/or \$55 for dues using PayPal at www.retiredattorneyssarasota.org

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Please note the following dates for the next luncheons:

Friday, March 22 Thursday, April 18 Friday, May 31 Friday, June 28 Friday, September 27

We look forward to seeing you at Marina Jack at noon on the above dates.

What Do Retired Attorneys Do?

We hope you enjoyed the inaugural column by Ben Berman about his trip on Route 66. Now it's your turn! We are soliciting items, which can be as short as one paragraph if you like, talking about a past-time of yours that may be of interest to our membership. Please send your idea to retiredattorneysofsarasota@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you!

Ideas for Future Programs?

The Program Committee is always receptive to ideas for future programs. If any member has a topic or a speaker to suggest, please contact Harold Zabin at <u>hpzabin@aol.com</u> or Jim Case at <u>JamesWCase1968@gmail.com</u>.

Any member interested in participating in the Program Committee should contact Harold Zabin or Jim Case at the addresses above.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have items of interest to the members, please forward them to

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