

# Georgia's Last Frontier: The People, Lawyers, and Judges of Northwest Georgia, Cherokee Country

The Old Federal Courtroom  
412 East 4th Avenue, #206  
Rome, GA

For those who pay for CLE credit, you will receive 10  
hours (3 Trial, 1 Ethics, 1 Professionalism).

## Thursday March 3rd, 2016

- 1:00 pm *Welcome and Program Overview,*  
John C. Bell, Jr., President of the  
Georgia Legal History Foundation
- 1:15 pm *Rome's First Lady: Ellen Axson*  
Wilson, Anne Culpepper
- 1:45 pm *The Zenith Man,* McCracken  
Poston
- 2:15 pm *Tales from the Lookout Mountain*  
*Circuit,* Hon. Norman S. Fletcher,  
former Chief Justice of the  
Georgia Supreme Court
- 2:45 pm BREAK
- 3:00 pm *Warren Akin and the First*  
*Argument before the Georgia*  
*Supreme Court in 1836,* S. Lester  
Tate III, former State Bar  
President
- 3:30 pm *Shades of Gray: Race Relations in*  
*Rome during the Civil War and*  
*Reconstruction,* Dan Roper
- 4:00 *State Bar President, Supreme Court*  
*Advocate, and City Attorney: Robert*

M. Brinson, Hon. Hugh Lawson,  
U.S. District Court Judge, M.D.  
Ga.

4:30 pm *Mountain Lawyers and Moonshine,*  
Warren N. Coppedge, Jr.

5:00 pm Adjourn

5:30 pm Cocktail Reception and  
Presentation of the 2016 Nestor  
Award @ Forrest Place,  
436 Broad Street, Rome, GA

## Friday March 4th, 2016

9:00 am *Major Ridge: Cherokee Planter on*  
*the Edge of Removal,* Heather  
Shores, Executive Director of  
Chieftains Museum

9:30 am *Remembering Chief Justice H.E.*  
*Nichols,* W. Scott Henwood, Jr.

10:00 am *Bobby Lee Cook, according to Bobby*  
*Lee and Friends,* Robert K. Finnell,  
Bobby Lee Cook, et al.

11:00 am BREAK

11:15 am *A Conversation with Judge Harold J.*  
*Murphy,* Hon. Harold J. Murphy,  
U.S. District Court Judge, N.D.  
Ga., and A. Franklin Beacham III

12:00 pm LUNCH

1:00 PM *339 Bodies in Walker County: the*  
*Tri-State Crematory Case,* J.  
Anderson Davis, Robert M.  
Brinson, and McCracken Poston

1:30 pm *My Journey in Front of the Bar and*  
*from the Bench,* Hon. Robert  
Benham, Justice of the Georgia

Supreme Court

2:00 *Martha Berry, Henry Ford, and the*  
*Beginning of Berry College,* Tim  
Brown, Executive Director of Oak  
Hill Museum

2:30 *Tales New and Old from the Hills of*  
*Georgia,* Hon. Charles A. Pannell,  
Jr., U.S. District Court Judge, N.D.  
Ga.

3:00 BREAK

3:15 Judge John Hooper: First Judge of  
the Cherokee Judicial Circuit,  
David G. Archer

3:45 *A Short History of the Polk County*  
*Bar,* George E. Mundy, former  
State Bar President

4:15 pm *The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly:*  
*Tales of Lawyers Who Did It Right*  
*and Those Who Did It Wrong,* Ethics  
Panel Discussion

5:15 pm Adjourn

## **Program Chairs**

Lee B. Carter  
John C. Bell, Jr.

The charge for registration is \$145 for members of the Georgia Legal History Foundation and \$195 for non-members. This includes CLE credit, the Thursday evening reception, and lunch on Friday. If you do not wish to receive CLE credit, the registration fee is \$80 for members and \$135 for non-members. The registration fee for non-members includes a one-year membership in the Georgia Legal History Foundation and a one-year subscription to the Journal of Southern Legal History. Spouses are included for the Thursday evening reception at no additional charge. Non-lawyer spouses and guests are welcome to attend the seminar without registering. Please indicate on your registration if your spouse or guest will be attending the Thursday evening reception.

Please register by filling out the enclosed registration form and emailing it to [lcarter@brinson-askew.com](mailto:lcarter@brinson-askew.com). Either bring your check to the seminar or mail it to:

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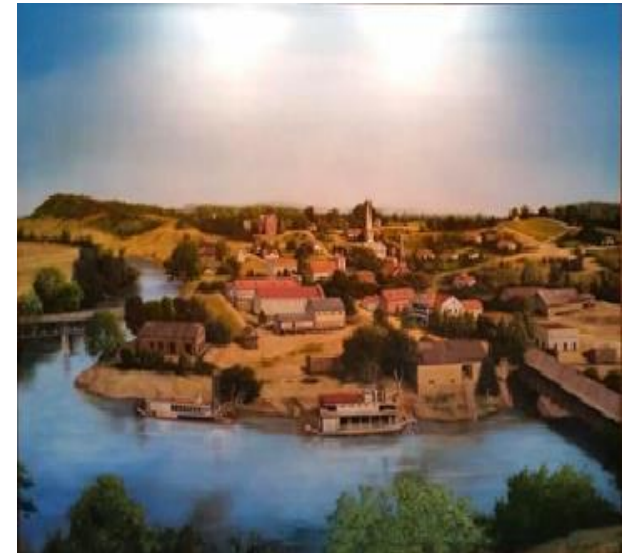
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