



PUERTO RICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2024

SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER 26 - 28

Welcome Reception:

FAMU College of Law - Sep 26

Conference:

FAMU College of Law - Sep 27 - 28

Gala:

Marriot Orlando Downtown - Sep 28





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of the Puerto Rican Community, Inc.

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April 29,2024

Dear Sponsor:

Thank you for considering supporting this important event, which we hope will make a difference in the political discourse of our Nation.

Puerto Rico became a possession of the United States in 1898 as a spoil of the Spanish American war. In 1917 Puerto Ricans were made US Citizens by act of Congress but not incorporated as a State with all the rights and benefits afforded Citizens of a State. Puerto Rico is caught in a middle status, which few agree is constitutionally acceptable or politically viable. The American public is woefully under educated on what this situation means to all Americans on the mainland. Everyone in the United Sates probably knows some Puerto Ricans such as Rita Moreno, Lin Manuel Miranda, Jennifer Lopez, Roberto Clemente, Sonia Sotomayor or even Bad Bunny, whoever few know why the island continues to have economic crisis and major migrations. This Convention is dedicated to educate lawyers, opinion leaders a/k/a influencers from around the nation as to the major obstacles, advantages, and disadvantages of the island in possession.

The Legal Services Clinic of the Puerto Rican Community Inc. was born from the need caused by the migration of over 50,000 Puerto Ricans to Florida in 2017 as a result of Hurricane Maria. Our mission is to assist the indigent, whether migrants or not, with the vexing legal issues caused by migration to an unknow area and cultures. However, we also dedicate ourselves to the education of the public on laws and how they are made.



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This second conference is dedicated to ALL AMERICANS who want to learn about what role they can play in this evolution, because they actually can vote for the representatives that will make the decisions, whereas Puerto Ricans cannot.

Your message will reach hundreds of decision makers from N.Y. to Puerto Rico, From Florida to Illinois.

Your assistance will be felt across the Nation.

Respectfully,

/s/ Anthony Suarez

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About Us:

The Legal Services Clinic of the Puerto Rican Community Inc. was born out of the necessity of past Hurricane Maria on the Island of Puerto Rico. Pursuant to the Rules of the Florida Supreme Court (Rules 11, 12 and 13) we are a Certified Legal Services provider to the indigent population of Florida. We are a non for profit 501 © (3) organization which is now providing free services to persons who qualify under Federal Poverty guidelines.



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Outline for PRBA Conference 2024

Location Florida A&M Law School Downtown Orlando

Dates: 9/26-28/2024

Gala Dinner at hotel adjacent, Marriott Orlando Downtown

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

Thursday Evening

Welcome reception at Orlando City Hall “**Business and the Bar**” networking event – Bar Members and Chamber members.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2024

Friday Morning

9:30 am - 11:00 am Forensic Accounting for Divorces and Business Litigation *Classroom A*
Richard Robles, Esq., Miami, FL, Gustavo Torres, CPA, Orlando, Prof. Enrique Guerra Pujol, Esq., University of Central Florida

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Best Practices for Small Law Practices *Classroom B*
Avoiding Legal Malpractice: Best Practices & Strategies:
Learn key risk management techniques and practical strategies to
Avoid legal malpractice, enhance client satisfaction, and maintain
Professional integrity in your legal practice.
Patricia Cintron-Bastin, President PRBA of Illinois
Edita Abrudeanu, Insurance Expert

11:00 am – 12:00 pm Domesticating Foreign Judgements (Puerto Rico) in Florida *Classroom A*
Marivette G. Rivera, Esq., Vice-President PRBA FL
Jose Emmanuel Santiago, Esq., Colegio de Puerto Rico

LUNCH BREAK 12:00 am- 1:30 pm

Friday Afternoon

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Puerto Rico Status Act *Classroom A*
U.S. Representative Darren Soto, Martin Rivera, Esq., Lobbyist
Prof. Ediberto Roman, Esq. Florida International University, Luis D. Dávila Pernas, Esq., Executive Director of PRFAA



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- 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm **Cyber Security and Protecting your Practice** *Classroom B*
Manuel Quilichini, Esq. Presidente de Colegio de Abogados/as de Puerto Rico
Nathan Ginter-CTO- Founder Vine IT & Cybersecurity
- 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm **Lobbying the State Legislature-Ethical Considerations.** *Classroom A*
Hon. Robert Cortes, Former State Legislator
Hon. Johanna Lopez, State Representative, Florida
Hon. Linda Stewart, State Senator, Florida
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm **Puerto Rico vs Territory or Colony** *Classroom B*
Puerto Rico Legal Status Issue with the Perspective of Domestic and International Law.
Prof. Gregorio Igartua, University of Puerto Rico
Prof. Mark Dorosin, FAMU
Prof. Jeremy Levitt, FAMU

Friday Evening Reception FAMU Lobby

- 5:00 pm **Reception FAMU Law School – Unveiling ceremony of Hon. Franklin H. Williams, Esq., & Hon. Sonia Sotomayor– Bust**
Guest Speaker: Hon. Jerry Demings, Mayor Orange County Florida

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

Saturday Morning

- 9:30 am -11:30 am **How to Start a Law Practice in Florida** *Classroom A*
Omayra Fuentes, Esq. Colegio de Puerto Rico
Joel Montilla, Esq. President PRBA of Florida
- 9:30 am - 11:30 am **Population Analysis of Puerto Rico and its Consequences** *Classroom B*
Prof. Fernando Rivera, University of Central Florida
Prof. Elizabeth Aranda, University of South Florida
Patricia Cintron, Esq., President PRBA of Illinois
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm **AmerRican Ceremony – Veterans Award Ceremony** *Classroom A*
Tribute to the Veterans of Puerto Rico and Purple Heart Winners
Ceremony awarding the Hands of Heroes Recipients
Colonel Dennis O. Freytes (ret) US Army Presenting

LUNCH BREAK

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

- 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm **Voter Engagement Efforts for Hispanic Voters in USA** *Classroom A*
Marcos Vilar, President Alianza



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1:30 pm - 3:30 pm **Gerrymandering in Light of Recent SCOTUS Decisions** *Classroom A*
**Redistricting In Florida, State of the Law, and Drawing of Minority
Access Seats.**
Prof. Patricia Broussard, Esq., Florida A&M Law School

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm **Practicing in Federal court and applying for the Criminal Justice Act/Panel
of Criminal Attorneys** *Classroom B*
**Hon. Roger B Handberg, United States Attorney for the Middle District
of Florida**
Hon. Andrew Bain, Esq., State Attorney 9TH Judicial District Florida
**Miguel Oppenheimer, Esq., Admitted to practice in Middle District of
Florida and Puerto Rico**

Saturday Evening

6:00pm - 11:00 pm **Gala Dinner. Marriott Hotel**
Guest Speaker: Hon. Darren Soto, Esq., U.S. Representative
Awards Ceremony
Signing Ceremony Bar Association and Affiliated Organizations

Sponsorship packages

\$5,000 – Gold sponsors:

- Logo on all event promotional materials (including event Journal) and the Legal Services Clinic website for a year.
- 2 tickets to attend the Welcome Reception (September 26, 2024)
- 2 tickets to attend Networking Reception (September 27, 2024)
- 2 tickets to attend the Gala Dinner (September 28, 2024)
- One table/booth at Pre Gala-Networking (September 28, 2023)

\$3,500 – Reception Sponsors:

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- 1 ticket to attend the Gala Dinner (September 28, 2024)
- One table/booth at Pre Gala-Networking (September 28, 2024)

\$1,000 – Table Sponsor

- 10 tickets to attend the Gala Dinner (September 28, 2024)
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- Bring your own pop-up banner to the Gala.

\$750 – Giveaway Sponsors:

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___ \$3,500 – Reception Sponsors

___ \$3,000 – Breakfast Sponsors

___ \$1,000 – Table Sponsors

___ \$750 – Giveaway Sponsors

___ Individual tickets:

Amount ___ - Welcome reception - \$65 – September 26

Amount ___ - Networking reception - \$65 – September 27

Amount ___ - Gala Dinner - \$125 – September 28

Amount ___ – Breakfast & Lunch - \$60 per person - per day

Payments can be:

- By mail: Legal Services Clinic
517 W. Colonial Drive Orlando, Florida 32804
- By Credit Card: Email us the attached authorization letter with information.



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