

**Central Florida Bankruptcy Law Association**  
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CFBLA celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year! Thank you for the support of our members, the judiciary, and the courthouse staff over the years. It goes without saying that the CFBLA has helped create a camaraderie among us that has made the bankruptcy practice here in Central Florida unique and special.

In recognition of its anniversary, the CFBLA will host a founder's panel at its April 20<sup>th</sup> lunch, featuring some of the CFBLA's original members, including Judge May, Frank Wolff, and Andy Brumby. Our members are looking forward to hearing about the CFBLA's inception and evolution. This special luncheon will be moderated by Nicolette Vilmos.

Kudos to Judge Briskman, the 2017 recipient of the James Glazebrook Memorial Bar Service Award! This award is the highest honor presented by the Orange County Bar Association to a member of the judiciary. Judge Briskman provided his inspiring remarks at the OCBA Professionalism Award Ceremony on March 10, 2017. In honor of Judge Briskman, the CFBLA sponsored the reception that immediately followed the ceremony.

March was a busy month for the CFBLA. At its general membership luncheon, Brad Saxton and Andrew Roy presented their annual "case law update" to our members. The presentation proved to be entertaining and informative. The 2016 FAMU College of Law Book Award for excellence in bankruptcy law was also presented at the luncheon to this year's recipient, Suzan Pruter. Great job Suzan!



Pictured at right CFBLA President Ryan Davis, Book Award Recipient Suzan Pruter, and Judge Arthur Briskman.

On May 5, 2017, the CFBLA will be holding its annual seminar, which is always one of its biggest events of the year. This year, the seminar will be combined with the State of the District Address presented by Chief Judge Williamson. It is not too late to RSVP for this much anticipated event!

The CFBLA provides its members with a number of CLE and networking opportunities that you won't want to miss. If you have not already done so, be certain to begin or renew your membership right away. Go to [www.cfbla.org](http://www.cfbla.org) and click the

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membership application link. If you're new to the CFBLA, check out our website for some great information and how to become a member.

Events:

May 5, 2017 – 2017 Annual CFBLA Bankruptcy Seminar/State of the District  
Address – Citrus Club