2016 Reporters’ Workshop
Agenda
Sept. 19-20, 2016, Tallahassee
Supreme Court of Florida Judicial Meeting Room

Sunday, Sept. 18
5-6:00 p.m.
Meet & Greet: Doubletree Hotel, Jacob’s on the Plaza, 101 S. Adams St.

Monday, Sept. 19
7:30-8:15 a.m.
Breakfast Andrew’s, 228 S. Adams St.

8:15-8:30 a.m.
Group photo front steps Supreme Court of Florida, 500 South Duval St. (Photo by Danny Aller)

8:30-8:45 a.m.
Enter through the front doors of the Supreme Court, go through the security check-in and meet in the rotunda area. Then the entire group proceeds to the courtroom.

8:45-9:45 a.m.
Introduction to the Supreme Court of Florida and Courthouse Tour
 Justice Ricky Polston, Supreme Court of Florida
 Craig Waters, Public Information Officer, Supreme Court of Florida

9:45-10 a.m. Break

10-11:00 a.m.
Effective Techniques of Reporting the High-Profile Case
 Barry Richard, Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig
11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
**Benchmarks – “Every 20 years: Florida’s Constitution Revision Commission”**

- Annette Boyd Pitts, Executive Director, Florida Law Related Education Association
- William J. “Bill” Schifino, Jr., 2016-17 President of The Florida Bar

12:15-12:30 p.m. Break

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Box lunch: Wraps, chips, etc. (Inside the Judicial Meeting Room of the Supreme Court)  
**Topic: “Seventeen equal parts”**

- **Speaker:** Martin A. Dyckman, Journalist and Author

1:30-1:45 Break

1:45-3:00 p.m.  
**“Libel and Privacy: What should journalists learn from Bollea v. Gawker (the Hulk Hogan case)?”**

- **Moderator:** David Snyder, Attorney, David M. Snyder PA
- Wayne Garcia, Associate Director, The Zimmerman School of Advertising and Communications, The University of South Florida
- Gregg Thomas, Partner, Thomas & LoCicero PL
- Kenneth Turkel, Partner, Bajo Cuva Cohen Turkel PA, lawyer for Hulk Hogan

3-4:00 p.m.  
**The Florida Bar and Lawyer Regulation**

- **Moderator:** Francine Walker, Director of Public Information & Bar Services, The Florida Bar
- Ali Sackett, Florida Bar Discipline Counsel, Lawyer Regulation
- Shanell Schuyler, Director of Attorney Consumer Assistance Program/Intake, The Florida Bar

4 p.m.  
**Afternoon Intermission:** Reporter dismissal and time allotted for change of attire for:
Reception & Dinner with the Supreme Court Justices
& 61st Annual Florida Bar Media Awards
22nd Floor, Florida Capitol
Coat & tie for men, professional attire for women

6-6:30 p.m. Reception with the Justices
6:30 p.m. Dinner
7:15 p.m. Welcome, by Florida Bar President William J. “Bill” Schifino, Jr.
Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice Jorge Labarga, on access to civil justice
7:45 p.m. Media awards presentation, with emcees Samuel Morley, Neil Skene and Errol Powell, chair of the Media and Communication Law Committee

Tuesday, Sept. 20

8 a.m.
Continental breakfast: Fruit, croissants, pastries, etc. Judicial Meeting Room

8:15-9:45 a.m.
Covering Florida - The Nation's Ground Zero for Voting Controversy
- Moderator: Gina Jordan, Reporter, WLRN Miami Herald News/Tallahassee Bureau
- Bill Cotterell, Columnist, Tallahassee Democrat
- Dr. Susan MacManus, Department of Government and International Affairs, The University of South Florida
- Ion Sancho, Supervisor of Elections for Leon County

9:45-10 a.m. Break
10-11:00 a.m.
Merit Retention in Florida:
  - Justice Barbara Pariente, Supreme Court of Florida

11:00 – 11:20 a.m.: Break

11:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m. Hot lunch: Veggie lasagna, Chicken Parm, salad, etc.
Topic: “The 28 Pages: One Reporter’s Quest for the Secrets of 9/11”
  - Speaker: Tom Julin, Partner, Gunster Yoakley & Stewart P.A.

12:20-1:30 p.m.
Death Penalty: A look at the Hurst Case
  - Moderator: Raoul Cantero, Former Florida Supreme Court Justice
  - Martha Barnett, Partner, Holland & Knight LLP
  - Hank M. Coxe, Former Florida Bar President
  - Dara Kam, Reporter, News Service of Florida

1:30-2:45 p.m.
Public records: How to get the records you need
  - Moderator: Pat Gleason, Attorney, Special Counsel for Open Government
  - Sandra Chance, Executive Director, Brechner Center for Freedom of Information
  - Gary Fineout, Journalist, The Associated Press
  - Mary Ellen Klas, Capital Bureau Chief, Miami Herald/Tampa Bay Times Tallahassee Bureau
  - Tia Mitchell, Journalist, The Florida Times-Union
  - Mike Vasilinda, President, Capitol News Service

2:45-3 p.m.: Break
3-3:30 p.m. Closing Remarks: A view from the bench
  ▪ Chief Justice Jorge Labarga, Supreme Court of Florida

3:30 p.m. Conclusion