



**MARTIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION POLICY  
FOR  
JUDICIAL INVESTITURES AND RETIREMENTS**

Effective October 1, 2018

We, the Martin County Bar Association (“MCBA”), by virtue of the authority vested in it, do hereby enact the following policy for all judicial investitures and retirements within the 19th Judicial Circuit of Florida:

- I. An attorney living in and/or practicing law in Martin County and/or who is a member of the Martin County Bar Association, is eligible to receive the following contributions for his/her judicial investiture held in Martin county and which may be distributed and/or utilized per the discretion of the newly appointed or elected judge as follows:
  1. For reimbursement of the cost of the judiciary robe;
  2. For catering at the investiture reception;
  3. For invitations and envelopes.
  - A. From the Martin County Bar Association, five hundred dollars (\$500.00)
  - B. In addition, reciprocal contributions of \$400-\$500 from the some of the other 19th Judicial Circuit Voluntary Bar Associations and paid to the MCBA may be available for the investiture held in Martin County.
  - C. Sponsorships paid to MCBA are acceptable from firms with a direct professional or personal relationship with the judge.
  - D. The newly elected or appointed judge will be contacted by the Executive Director of MCBA and advised of this policy and of the total funds that have been committed and will be available for the investiture, and for a decision on the utilization of those funds.
- II. For judicial investitures held outside of Martin County, regardless of where said attorney lives and/or practices law and/or if that attorney is a member of the Martin County Bar Association, the newly appointed or elected judge is eligible to receive a five hundred dollar (\$500.00) contribution from the Martin County Bar Association.
- III. The Martin County Bar Association shall budget \$2,500.00 yearly to provide for judicial investitures. These funds are first come first serve. If during any fiscal year there are in excess of five investitures, the Martin County Bar Association shall either advise the newly appointed or elected judge that there are no budgeted funds available from MCBA to spend on an investiture or, by majority vote of the executive board, MCBA will pull money from the Martin County Bar Association reserve account and/or other budgeted line items to provide the requested funds.
- IV. The MCBA will honor all retiring judges from the previous year at the Annual Fall Reception. There will be no charge for the retired judge(s) to attend