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Remembering the Hon. Lisa P. Thornton, A.J.S.C.

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In preparing our newsletter, I would be remiss if I did not discuss the great loss to the people of Monmouth County with the sudden death of Judge Lisa P. Thornton, our beloved Assignment Judge.

Originally appointed to the Monmouth County bench in 2008, Judge Thornton was appointed the Assignment Judge of Monmouth County in

2014. She was the first African American Woman Assignment Judge in New Jersey history.

Judge Thornton was an exceptional human being, smart, humble, and witty with a wonderful sense of humor. Although obtaining the most important Judicial position in Monmouth County, she never changed who she was or forgot where she came from.

She ran an efficient courthouse, where serving the people of Monmouth County was the priority. She was always accessible with an open door, willing to discuss any issues effecting the Administration of Justice.

I still struggle to find the words to properly demonstrate the profound loss we have incurred. Her memory will live on in the many lives that she touched. She is in our prayers, and may she rest in peace.



Hon. Lisa P. Thornton, A.J.S.C. delivering the oath of the office of First Vice President of the Monmouth Bar Association to J.J. Uliano on May 25, 2023

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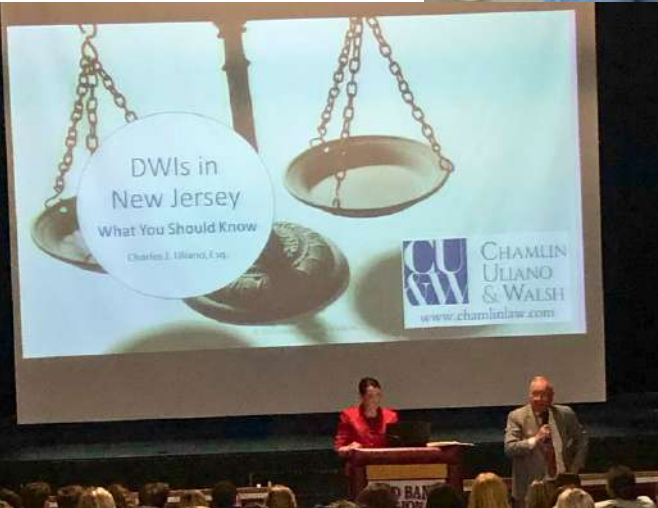


WHAT IS HAPPENING AT CU&W?



Pictured Left: Charles J. Uliano and Elizabeth Uliano Giblin attended the New Jersey State Bar Association's Annual Meeting at the Borgata in Atlantic City. The NJSBA Annual Meeting is an incredible opportunity for continued legal education and networking events for attorneys

Pictured Right: Members of our Chamlin Law team came together as "Matty's Smile Squad". It was a beautiful day and our team raised over \$7,000.00 for POAC Autism Services! Thank you to everyone who donated and participated!



Pictured Left: Charles J. Uliano and Elizabeth Uliano Giblin participated in Red Bank Regional's Project Prom to inform RBR's senior class about the legal ramifications of drunk driving in NJ.

July & August CU&W Birthdays

July 6th - Janice Tuberton

July 10th - Grace Gallagher

August 10th - Elizabeth Uliano Giblin





Staff Spotlight: Grace Gallagher

How long have you been with CU&W and what do you do here?

I started here in September 2022. I'm the receptionist, so I answer the phone, assisting both current and new clients. Although some days the phones can ring off the hook, I try my best to help both the legal assistants and attorneys with different tasks when needed.

What is your favorite thing about working at CU&W?

I received my bachelor's degree in criminal justice, although this wasn't my area of focus, I am so fascinated with learning everything about the legal side of things. I love to hear about the types of matters we have and what we are able to do to help our clients.

What is a fun fact about you that few people are aware of?

When I was younger, I was a model. I've been on the cover of a book and appeared in some commercials!

What is your favorite pastime?

I love to read! I usually gravitate towards the thriller / mystery genre because it's intriguing and keeps me on my toes. I set a goal to read 50 books this year and I'm currently at 21.

What is one thing you cannot live without?

I cannot live without traveling. Before I got this job, I was hopping on a plane just about every other month for a few years. So far, I'd have to say Italy and Japan are my favorite.

One thing you would tell your 13-year-old self, what would it be?

I would give the advice of don't be too hard on yourself. Just because one thing didn't work out or go as planned, does not mean you failed. Everything will fall into place!

In five years, what are your visions and hopes?

In five years, besides advancing my career, I hope that I have seen more of this world. My bucket list place is South Africa, I would love to do to a safari trek.

Which cartoon character would you most wish to swap lives?

Timmy Turner from The Fairly OddParents! I wouldn't mind having two fairy godparents granting my every wish.





Minors Beware: Under the Influence, Under Arrest

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According to the American Addiction Center, about 70 percent of high school students will have tried at least one alcoholic beverage before they graduate. Of that 70 percent, an alarming number admit to driving a car or riding in the car with someone that had consumed alcohol.

I recently participated in Red Bank Regional's "Project Prom" presentation. Essentially, Project Prom is designed to help High School Seniors understand the devastating consequences of drunk driving. The theme of the day was, unofficially, "Don't be stupid!" I spoke to the entire senior class about drunk driving laws in the state of New Jersey, with the emphasis of my lecture being quite simple. If you are under the age of 21 years old and have consumed any alcohol whatsoever, you should not operate a motor vehicle.

In New Jersey, if you are stopped and the officer suspects that you have been drinking, the officer can ask you to exit your vehicle and perform certain psychophysical tests to determine if you are under the effect of alcohol. You can always refuse those tests, but in doing so the officer can place you under arrest for suspicion of driving under the influence. At that time, you will be compelled to submit to an Alcotest (breathalyzer) to assess your Blood Alcohol Content (BAC). If you are over 21 years old and your BAC is 0.08 or higher, you will be charged with DUI. If you are under 21 years of age, and your BAC is even as low as 0.01, you will be charged with DUI. If you refuse to comply with the Alcotest, regardless of your age, you will be charged with a refusal which carries similar penalties as if your BAC had shown that you were legally drunk.

New Jersey has a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to those under 21 operating a motor vehicle under the influence of any alcohol. Drinking and driving is never the smart choice, but it should never be the choice if you are under 21.