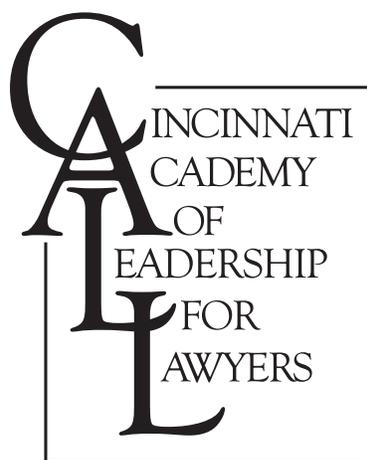


The 20th Anniversary Celebration of



Celebration Event

September 21, 2016
5 – 8 p.m.

Anderson Pavilion
8 W. Mehring Way
Cincinnati, Ohio

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Background

ON THE CINCINNATI ACADEMY OF LEADERSHIP FOR LAWYERS PROGRAM

In 1996, the Cincinnati Bar Association created and developed CALL — the Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers. CALL focuses on practical, professional and ethical issues facing lawyers in Greater Cincinnati.

The program annually conducts a six-month leadership training program for 25 - 32 attorneys and judges, who are five to fifteen years into their practice. By training younger lawyers in leadership, professionalism and community service, CALL's impact reaches well beyond the bench and bar. The program offers to the community a pipeline of up-and-coming lawyer leaders. Moreover, each year the CALL class designs and implements a community service project typically designed to benefit the administration of justice. Last year's class began a Youth Court at the Juvenile Court that provides a diversion program for juvenile offenders who consent to be adjudged and sentenced by a jury of their student-peers. The entire project is overseen by CALL graduates.

Since CALL's founding 20 years ago, more than 500 lawyers have graduated from the program. These lawyer-leaders are now populating many of the community's non-profit boards, and law-related organization. For example in the last ten years, almost every president of the board of the Cincinnati Bar Association has been a CALL graduate. There are several examples of CALL grads in volunteer leadership roles at local organizations, Beech Acres and the Cincinnati Youth Collaborative, to name a few. And just this summer, a CALL grad was named the CEO of the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber.

The CALL program is designed to stimulate awareness and evoke reflection. It reminds us that there are no clear paths to follow in the areas of leadership, ethics, civility and professionalism. Through self-examination and assessment, each CALL graduate becomes an educator for others in the legal profession and also the community-at-large.

20TH ANNIVERSARY *Celebration*

In recognition of CALL and its impact over the past two decades, the leaders of the 2016 20th CALL Anniversary Celebration are launching a \$100,000 Campaign to endow CALL. Eighty percent of the proceeds of this campaign will be devoted to endowing four partial scholarships each year, enabling the CALL program to remain open to all attorneys; and 20% will be earmarked for programmatic support. Without these funds CALL cannot continue to sustain its excellence.

The 20th Anniversary Celebration of CALL is an opportune time to acknowledge and celebrate the leadership and support lawyers provide to our community, and to ensure that the CALL program can continue shaping lawyer leaders for decades to come.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsorship proceeds will be designated for the Michael H. Neumark CALL Scholarship & Development Fund at the Cincinnati Bar Foundation to endow this program.

Leadership Level | \$ 10,000

- 8 VIP Passes to the CALL Celebration
- Full-Page Ad in the Celebration Brochure

Fellow Level | \$ 5,000

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Lexington Level | \$ 2,500

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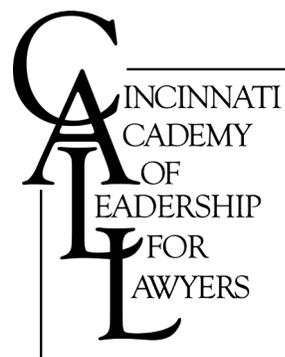
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CALL Celebrates



20 Years



By Eric K. Combs

Recently I was honored to welcome 26 lawyers to the 20th class of the Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers program (CALL). Developed in 1996 and modeled after the chamber's Leadership Cincinnati program, each year CALL brings together 25 to 30 lawyers for one session a month from January through May. The sessions give participants the opportunity to learn and share about practical, professional and ethical issues facing lawyers. As you might expect from a room full of lawyers, the conversations in these sessions are lively. They are provocative, sometimes to the point of being heated, but always interesting. As we know, whether we bill by the hour or not, lawyers' time is valuable. It is a testament to the value of the CALL program that its busy participants make the commitment to participate in such a time-intensive program.

It is time well spent. CALL has more than 500 graduates, many of whom have gone on to demonstrate leadership in the legal community and the community at large. CALL alumni include numerous judges, law firm managing partners and corporate general counsel. Seven CBA presidents, as well as our president-elect and vice president, are CALL graduates. Dozens of CALL graduates have served as CBA board trustees. But there are also CALL alumni chairing nonprofit boards, leading charitable fundraising campaigns and serving in business and other leadership positions across our region.

An ancillary but significant outcome of the CALL program is that it builds not just professional, but personal relationships

among lawyers from different practices, geographies and perspectives. Because we tend to interact with lawyers who do what we do (in my case, civil litigation), it is unique to have the opportunity to get to know and learn from lawyers who do what we do not. As a member of CALL Class 2003, I met lawyers

whose legal careers were and remain much different than mine. Were it not for CALL, I likely would not have met them. For 13 years now, I have known those "CALL classmates" as not just professional connections, but personal

friends. Aside from what its participants learn during the five months of the program, CALL forges relationships that last long past graduation.

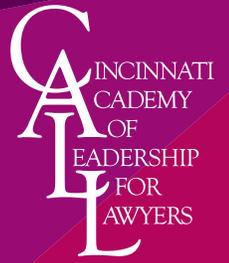
The CALL program is one of the best programs the CBA presents. It would not be possible without the significant support of the CALL Steering Committee (currently chaired by Magistrate Judge Stephanie Bowman), CBA staff led by Lisa McPherson, and the Cincinnati Bar Foundation, whose scholarship program allows lawyers to participate who might otherwise not be able to make the financial commitment to do so. On behalf of the CBA, I would like to say "thank you" to all those involved in making 20 years of CALL programs possible, and to congratulate the members of CALL Class 2016 for making the commitment to participate. The participants, our Bar and our community will be better as a result.

Combs is the 2015-2016 president of the Cincinnati Bar Association.

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