

MEMBERS ON THE MOVE

BIRMINGHAM BLACK NURSES ASSOCIATION, INC. (BBNA)

Carthenia W. Jefferson, JD, BSN, RN, was elected in June as the **President of the Alabama Lawyers Association (ALA)**. “Recognizing that certain segments of the population have historically been unrepresented or under-represented in the legal arena, and recognizing that justice is a blind concept, yet sometimes unjustly administered, the Alabama Lawyers Association, (formerly known as the Alabama Black Lawyers Association) was organized in 1971.” The ALA is comprised of five affiliate chapters located in Alabama. The ALA is an affiliate chapter of the National Bar Association (NBA). Carthenia attended the Alabama State Bar Association meeting this July and attended the National Bar Association meeting this August.

Carthenia was appointed in July as the **Parliamentarian of the Alabama State Nurses Association (ASNA)**. The ASNA will be celebrating 100 years in service at the annual convention to be held this October 10 – 12, 2013 at the Renaissance Hotel & Conference Center in Montgomery, Alabama.

Carthenia **Chairs the Birmingham Black Nurses Association Breast Cancer Initiative**. She along with Dr. Martha Dawson and Tammy Davis, RN wrote a grant and received funding for the second year from the North Central Alabama Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure (“Komen”) for Breast Cancer Awareness Education.

Carthenia is a solo practitioner at her own firm, **Jefferson Law Firm, LLC** where her areas of concentration are: Wrongful Deaths, Medical, Dental and Nursing Malpractice, Personal Injury and Accidents, Defective Products, Family Law (Uncontested and Contested Divorce, Child Support, Post Minority Support, Juvenile Matters), Criminal Law (Felonies, Misdemeanors and DUIs), Probate Law (Estate Planning, Living Wills, Last Wills and Testaments, Power of Attorney, Adoptions, Guardianships, Pre-Nuptials), Employment Law (Wrongful Termination/Discharge, Retaliation, Unpaid Overtime Compensation), Legal Nurse Consultant.

Carthenia has given several presentations on “**Nursing and the Law**”. As evident by her service in nursing and the law, Carthenia loves to be a servant of the people. In the Court she fights for Grace, Justice and Mercy for her clients. Her motto is “if I can help somebody as I travel along then my living will not be in vain”.

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