



Club of The Classic City of Athens

Friday, November 26, 2021

November 29, 2021 Speaker: Ronald L. Carlson, University of Georgia Law School Faculty



Fuller E. Callaway Chair of Law Emeritus Ronald L. Carlson has been a member of the University of Georgia School of Law faculty since 1984. A prolific scholar, Carlson began writing about and analyzing evidentiary rules during the early stages of the Federal Rules of Evidence. In December 2000, when Federal Rule of Evidence 703 was amended, the Federal Rules Advisory Committee relied upon Carlson's Vanderbilt article on expert witnesses in the official Federal Advisory Committee Notes.

His articles on litigation and evidence practice have appeared in the Cornell, Duke, Northwestern, Vanderbilt, Georgia and Minnesota law reviews, just to name a few. Additionally, he is the author of 20 books on evidence, trial practice and criminal procedure, and his law school course book on the law of evidence, published with Carolina Academic Press

Publishing Company, went into its eighth edition in the fall of 2018. His most recent scholarship includes a new book with West Publishing Company titled "Foundations for Evidence and Trial Practice: The Advocate's Guide." It is part of West's American Casebook Series. Highly popular with the members of the bar is the sixth edition of *Carlson on Evidence*, co-written with his son, Fulton County Executive District Attorney Michael Carlson. Decisions from 2019 to 2021 by both the Georgia Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals relied upon his writings to reach conclusions in important criminal cases. A milestone was reached when over 50 Georgia appellate decisions had relied upon *Carlson on Evidence* to reach a result in a disputed appeal.

Carlson draws upon his writings and background as a trial lawyer and U.S. Commissioner when lecturing to lawyers and judges about litigation and evidence. He has spoken at CLE seminars across the country. Along with the late U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Myron Bright, they presented the program "Objections at Trial" in over 70 cities, from Boston to San Francisco. He also leads seminars for judges and lawyers in Georgia. In 2015, he and his co-presenter received the Education Leadership Award from the Institute of Continuing Education, presented at the Superior Court Judicial Conference where Carlson was speaking.

Carlson also informs the public about the law and legal issues through his commentary in the media on high-profile cases. Carlson's broadcast reports air on WSB Radio. His comments on leading cases appear in print media as well. He was recently the source of legal analysis for *The New York Times*, *Newsweek*, *USA Today* and NBC News.

Carlson has litigated numerous trial and appellate cases and has argued appeals before the U.S. Supreme Court. He appeared as one of the trial counsel in *Eckerhart v. Hensley*, a landmark federal case establishing the right of mental patients to adequate and humane treatment and was one of the authors of the Federal Bar Association's *amicus curiae* brief to the U.S. Supreme Court in *Upjohn Co. v. United States*, a major case involving the corporate attorney-client privilege.

The 2020 list of Georgia's Most Influential Attorneys identified Professor Carlson in *James* magazine with this observation: "No Georgia list [of influential lawyers] would be complete without mentioning University of Georgia Law Professor Emeritus Ron Carlson and his son, attorney Mike Carlson. Proven successes as trial and appellate attorneys, the Carlsons have taught and trained countless judges and lawyers."

Carlson earned his bachelor's degree from Augustana College, his law degree from Northwestern University and his Master of Laws from Georgetown University. At Northwestern, Carlson was a member of the Board of Editors of the *Northwestern University Law Review* and president of his senior class. At Georgetown, he was an E. Barrett Prettyman Fellow in Trial Advocacy. He worked as a lawyer and U.S. Commissioner prior to joining the University of Iowa law faculty. He taught at Iowa for eight years, then joined the law faculty at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, where he remained until accepting the offer to join UGA.

Most recently, Carlson was referenced as an expert in stories on the Ahmaud Arbery case by *The New York Times, USA Today* and the *Associated Press*.

Birthdays

Emily K. Escoe November 26th Christine S. Waite-Morgan November 29th Henry Clay O'Pry III December 8th Robert Hardell December 10th

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November 15, 2021 Meeting: Veteran's Day Presentation



On Monday November 15th the Classic City Rotary Club honored our four Military Veterans with the presentation to each of an American Flag and an Armed Forces Veteran Rotary pin. Our Veterans (Dick Field, Henry O'Pry, Charles Johnson and Al Hawley) had an opportunity to discuss with the Club their military experiences and what it means to represent the United States of America. The Members of the Classic City Rotary Club cannot thank these wonderful Veterans enough for their service to our Country. We are so proud to have you four Veterans as members of our Club.

Service Opportunities



Upcoming Service Projects • Mark Your Calendars • More Info to be Announced

Dec. 4 • Quarterly litter pickup on Sunset Dr.

Dec. 11 A Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Other Dec. Service events Grandparents Raising Grandchildren toy drive and Welcome baskets for incoming UGA International students. Dates TBD.

Jan. 8 Bring One for the Chipper Christmas tree recycling







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Save the Date for our annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 14 at the Athens Country Club beginning at 6 p.m. There will be a cash bar with dinner beginning at 6:45 p.m. Our Famous White Elephant Gift Exchange will follow. Our supporting charity for this event will be the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Gift Program.

Please plan to bring a new, unwrapped gift to the holiday party for donation to the Council on Aging�s Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program. Below please see some suggestions from the Council on Aging:

- Gift cards (Wal-Mart, Target, Visa, Amazon)
- Paw Patrol Toys
- Jojo Siwa toys/items
- Lego sets
- Building blocks
- Basketballs
- Footballs
- Lotion or bath sets
- Superhero action figures
- Cars (remote control, hot wheels, etc.)
- Barbie, and baby dolls
- Baby Shark toys
- Toy trucks and tractors
- Arts and crafts kits
- Nail polish sets
- Make-up sets (for young girls)
- Learning toys
- Bubble bath and toys
- Drawing and coloring books

Highlights from the Our Daily Bread Service Event





Ellen Bryson Club Fundraising Chair



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Milton Masciadri International Service Chair



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Melissa Ellard Youth Services Chair



On Friday November 19th members of the Classic City Rotary Club worked with the wonderful folks at Our Daily Bread to prepare 135 boxed lunches for the under-employed citizens of Athens. It was a glorious day to give back. Check out the big smiles as our Members certainly enjoyed preparing the meals.

Laws of Life Award Recognition



Rotary District 6910 presents an award to the members of the Classic City Rotary Club for their tremendous support of the Law's Of Life program

Gerry Tracker: ALL ABOARD!!!



The Gerry Train is rambling down the tracks, right on schedule! Kick back and relax, as this countdown continues on Gerry Taylor's journey to District Governor!

Days Left: 147