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Luncheon With Governor Howard Dean



What a year for luncheons!

By – Manuel L. Dobrinsky

We began the year with an instructive presentation by Judge Robert Mark and DCTLA member, John Kozyak on Bankruptcy-Before & After 2005. Judge Paul Siegel presented "Florida Trial Objections" and provided our members with "keen insights into proper trial practice". DCTLA member and certified financial planner, Keith Singer, with the assistance of Lauren Lipcon, Injury Funds Now delivered an informative PowerPoint presentation on financial issues and their impact on cases. Leading a three-panel group, Judge Ronald Friedman spoke on the benefits of using technology in the courtroom. In observation of Florida Mediation Week, the firm of Upchurch Watson White & Max presented "Advanced Mediation Techniques" assisted by Judge Ellen Leesfield who provided the judicial approach and her forthright suggestions based on years of experience. In September, State District Court Judges Cecilia Altonaga, Paul Huck and Donald Graham provided insight into Federal trial practices. The year ended with Governor Howard Dean, Chairman Democratic National Committee, taking the podium and applauding the work of all lawyers throughout the nation. We were, once again, reminded of the contributions made by our profession to our country's history and the community. DCTLA President, Jonathan Friedland, along with the DCTLA Executive Board and Board of Directors thanked Governor Dean with an Appreciation Plaque and paid special tribute to the DCTLA stalwart supporters for 2005; all stalwart sponsors received DCTLA Appreciation Plaques. It is worth noting that, without the participation of our members in attendance, our luncheons would not be as successful; thank you DCTLA members!