

BENCHBAR GETTYSBURG CONFERENCE

Friday, September 12, 2025 -Sunday, September 14, 2025

The Bench Bar Conference is the premier event for networking and socializing with colleagues and members of the judiciary. It also provides a chance to earn CLE credits through unique course offerings.

2025 BENCH BAR CONFERENCE CHECKLIST





Choose from a Haunted Pub Crawl or the Evening Tea.

SUBMIT YOUR REGISTRATION ON OUR WEBSITE NO LATER THAN 9/01/2025.

Click here to complete your registration and submit payment on our website.

ENCOURAGE FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES TO ATTEND!

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel Gettysburg

1 Lincoln Square, Gettysburg, PA 17325 717.337.2000



In the heart of historic Gettysburg with landmarks, dining, and shops just steps away. The room rate is \$219 per night.

Amenities:

- -24/7 Fitness Center
- -Complimentary high-speed wireless internet access
- -Business Center
- -On-Site Dining & Drinks
- -Self-Parking Garage





WELCOME RECEPTION

in the Atrium

Friday 4:00 - 6:00 pm

BEEF WITH THE BENCH

Time to get your
Friday groove on and
"ketchup" with the
Bench!

Dive into scrumptious food stations loaded with sliders and pasta. Cash bar.



FRIDAY NIGHT EXCURSION CHOICE







Haunted Pub Crawl





Sip your spirits with the ghosts of Gettysburg! Explore Gettysburg's haunted side on Ghost City Tours' Haunted Pub Crawl, a two-hour journey through historic taverns and chilling ghost stories for \$34.99 per person, drinks not included.

FRIDAY NIGHT EXCURSION CHOICE

An Evening Tea at the Gettysburg Academy Bed & Breakfast Join us for a special evening of history, tea, and sweet indulgence! We've secured a licensed Town Guide for an engaging 45-minute presentation on local history and the property itself.



Enjoy a relaxing and elegant tea experience featuring:

- A curated selection of 10-15 teas
- Scones with whipped lemon curd
- Bread pudding
- A specialty dessert

This unique event is just \$25 per person. Don't miss this chance to unwind, connect with fellow members, and learn about Gettysburg in an intimate and memorable setting.

LATE FRIDAY NIGHT

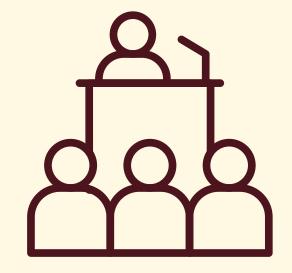
Hospitality Suite

After you finish sipping spirits with the ghosts of Gettysburg, head back to the hotel for our late-night Hospitality Suite. Reconnect, unwind, and share a few laughs with your colleagues. Friday & Saturday nights 9-11 pm.



Need Babysitting?

New this year! We are offering on-site babysitting during the Friday evening excursions to help make the weekend more family-friendly. Your little ones will be in good hands! Spots are limited - reserve early on your registration form.



SATURDAY MORNING

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

Upholding the Standards of the Legal Profession: Insights from PBA Ethics Counsel

Victoria White, Esquire, will discuss her role as Ethics Counsel for the Pennsylvania Bar Association in helping lawyers navigate through common (and sometimes uncommon) legal ethics issues in their daily practice. Ms. White will provide an update on PBA and ABA ethics opinions that lawyers should be aware of, talk about recent initiatives of the PBA Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility Committee, and provide hot tips on how to avoid getting into disciplinary trouble.

CLE Program #2

Details coming soon!

A View From the Bench The Judges' Roundtable

One of the highlights of the Bench Bar Conference. Panel discussion on a variety of topics and current issues, featuring the Judges of the Lancaster County Court of Common Pleas.



SATURDAY AFTERNON & EVENING

Agenda

2:15 pm - Board buses at Hotel Gettysburg

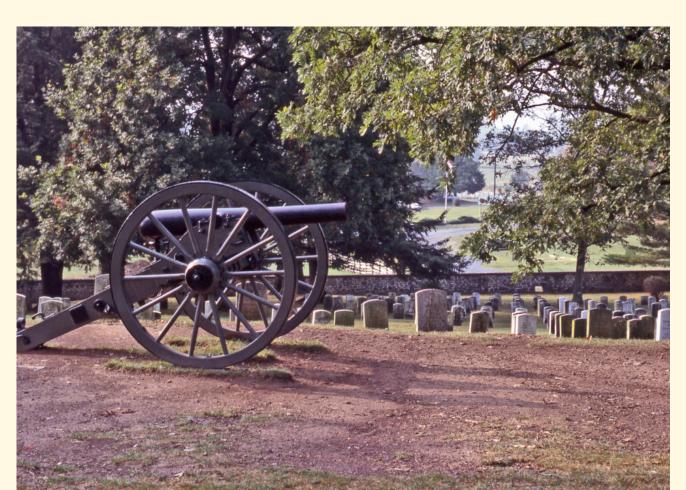
2:30-3:15 pm - "A New Birth of Freedom" Film and Cyclorama

3:30-4:00 pm - Museum Experience

4:00-6:00 pm - Battlefield Tour with Licensed Battlefield Guide

6:15-7:15 pm - Dinner in the Ford Room

7:15-9:15 pm - An Evening with the Painting



"A New Birth of Freedom" Film



Narrated by Morgan Freeman, the 22-minute film "A New Birth of Freedom" provides the backdrop for our visit with a dramatic look at the Battle of Gettysburg and its place in history.

This film will set the scene for our visit by seeing the film before venturing out on the battlefield.

Gettysburg Cyclorama



The must-see entertainment of the 1880s, cycloramas were the blockbuster movies of their time. Often depicting epic battles or historical places, the enormous, paintings-in-the-round transported viewers into the middle of the fray; surrounding them with a 360-degree, hand-painted canvas longer than a football field and higher than a four-story building.

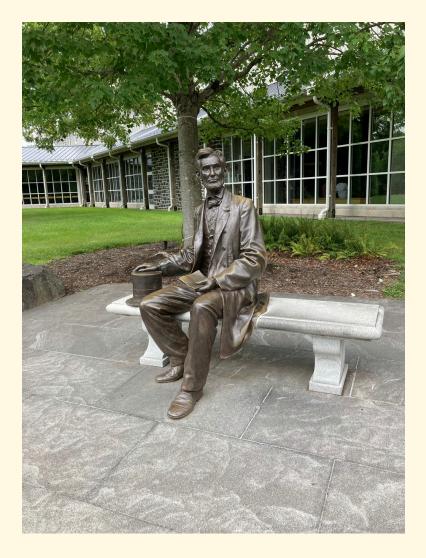
Created by French artist Paul Philippoteaux in 1884, the Battle of Gettysburg Cyclorama depicts the fury of Pickett's Charge during the decisive third day of fighting.

Gettysburg Museum of the American Civil War

Shackles. Swords. Bullet-pierced furniture. Through rare artifacts and interactive stories, journey back through the events and issues surrounding the Civil War and the Battle of Gettysburg.

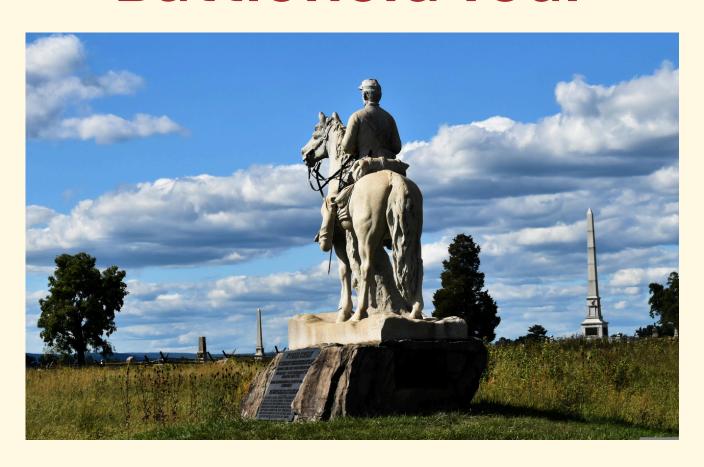
The Museum exhibits help to tell the story. Now open in the Museum, the special temporary exhibit, A Rough Coarse Life: The World of the Civil War Soldier, offers a window into the lives, experiences and memories of those who struggled, suffered and survived a century and a half ago.

Some artifacts were neverbefore-seen on display.



You will be able to connect some of the rare artifacts to the people, events and locations on the Gettysburg battlefield.

Battlefield Tour



Connect with stories and lessons from the past. Step onto the hallowed ground. Reflect on the sacrifices.

Take your place on the battlefield and experience it beyond the history books and movies. We will explore iconic landmarks such as the sites of the First Day, Little Round Top, Devil's Den, the Peach Orchard, the Wheatfield, Cemetery Hill, The Angle and Copse of Trees, Culp's Hill. Understand what happened here and the impact the battle and its aftermath has on our lives today.



"An Evening with the Painting"



"An Evening with the Painting" explores the history of cycloramas, the creation and symbolism of this extraordinary artwork, and the extensive restoration that brought the painting back to life. The program provides attendees with an extended viewing experience, including:

- Close-up access to observe fine details and distant battle scenes on the Cyclorama platform.
- An under-diorama view to see how the threedimensional effect is created.
- Interactive Q&A to engage directly with program experts.

Breakfast with the Bench



SUNDAY MORNING



Wind down and relax before heading home with a classic breakfast buffet. Enjoy a menu of farm fresh eggs, fruit and berries, Applewood bacon, breakfast potatoes, assorted cereals, and pastries.

Scholarships Available!

We have two \$500
scholarships available
to attorneys working
in the government
and nonprofit sectors,
as well as young
lawyers in practice for
less than 3 years.

Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and are expected to go quickly!

Please apply promptly.

If you are interested in a scholarship, email Lisa@lancasterbar.org.

2025 BENCH BAR CONFERENCE COSTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Conference Registration Fee (Attorneys & Judges)	\$300.00
Spouse/Guest Fee	\$200.00
Young Lawyer Registration Fee	\$100.00
Young Lawyer Spouse/Guest Fee	\$100.00
Children Ages 5-12	\$50.00
Children Ages 13-17	\$100.00
Haunted Pub Crawl	\$34.99
Evening Tea	\$25.00

Registration Deadline is September 1, 2025

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Cancellation Policy:

Registration, less than a \$50 cancellation fee, will be refunded upon receipt of written cancellation received by August 15, 2025. Email cancellation notice to Lisa@lancasterbar.org. After this date, no refunds, but substitutions of attendees for this program will be permitted.