

**37th UKRAINIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONVENTION
Nov. 13-16, 2014
Omni Shoreham Hotel
2500 Calvert Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20008**

Conference Program

Thursday, November 13, 2014

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Informal Hospitality Reception at Hotel / Meet and Greet

Friday, November 14, 2014

8:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Opening remarks by UABA President Petro Kostiv/Treasurer's Report/Administrative matters

The following sessions are open to the public at a \$15 entrance fee for both Friday and Saturday

9:30 a.m. Ivanna Bilych, Esq., General Counsel of Razom, Inc.
Legal Report: "The Crisis in Ukraine: Its Legal Dimensions"

10:30 a.m. Panel Discussion; "What Americans Need to Know About Ukraine (and Russia) and Why It Matters"
Moderator: Victor Rud, Esq. Chairman, UABA Committee on International Affairs & Foreign Policy
Panelists:

- Amb. Volodymyr Vassilenko, Head of the Commission for Investigation and Prevention of Human Rights Violations in Ukraine. Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine;
- Danylo M. Kurdelchuk, President of Ukriniurkolegiua, Vice President of the World Congress of Ukrainian Lawyers
- Myroslava Gongadze, Journalist and TV News Anchor at Voice of America

11:30 a.m. Paul A. Goble, Professor, the Institute of World Politics
"Putin's Actions in Ukraine Threaten the United States"

12:30 p.m. Coffee/lunch break (on your own)

1:30 p.m. David J. Kramer, President of Freedom House
"The Ukraine-Russia Sanctions and Western Response"

2:30 p.m. Ernest Constant Raskauskas, Esq., Scholar on Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union
"Manipulation of the Law of Citizenship by Russia and the Conflict in Ukraine"

3:30 p.m. Robert McConnell, Esq. Political Consultant, R.A. McConnell & Associates
"The Bear vs. the Ostrich – the Kremlin vs. Washington"

Friday, November 14, 2014

6:30 p.m.

RECEPTION AT THE EMBASSY OF UKRAINE

Embassy of Ukraine
3350 M Street N.W
Washington, DC 20007

(For pre-paid/pre-registered UABA members/full conference registrants and their prepaid guests only)
(by separate payment and registration; [Click Here To Register](#))

Saturday, November 15, 2014

9:30 a.m.

Hon. Mykola Onischuk, Director of the School for Judges in Ukraine, former Minister of Justice of Ukraine
“The Importance of Judiciary During the Crisis in Ukraine”

10:30 a.m.

Panel of Ambassadors: “For a Europe Whole and Free: the Struggle for Democracy in Ukraine”
Moderator: Dr. Nadia Diuk, Vice President of the National Endowment for Democracy
Panelists:

- H.E. Zygimantas Pavilionis, Ambassador of Lithuania to the U.S. and Mexico
- H.E. Igor Munteanu, Ambassador of Moldova to the U.S.
- Hon. Giorgi Khelashvili, Deputy Chief of Mission of Georgia to the U.S.

Noon

H.E. Olexander Motsyk, Ambassador of Ukraine to the U.S.

12:30 p.m.

Networking/lunch/coffee break (on your own)

1:30 p.m.

Hon. Bohdan Futey, Senior Judge, U.S. Court of Federal Claims
“Ukraine's Quest for Democracy and Rule of Law”

2:00 p.m.

Panel of former U.S. Ambassadors to Ukraine “Recent Political Developments in Ukraine”
Moderator: Hon. Bohdan Futey, Senior Judge, U.S. Court of Federal Claims
Panelists:

- Amb. William Green Miller, former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine
- Amb. John Edward Herbst, former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine
- Amb. Steven Pifer, former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine
- Amb. Roman Popadiuk, former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine

3:30 p.m.

Closing remarks by UABA President, Petro Kostiw

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6:00 p.m.

Cocktail hour (Open Bar)

7:00 p.m.

Banquet dinner (Open Bar)

Keynote speaker: Carl Gershman, President of the National Endowment for Democracy

Sunday, November 16, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Meeting of Officers and Governors of the UABA (open to UABA members only)