

Membership Matters

Quarterly News from The 501 Alliance

June 2017

CaseBuilder and Insight are Here!

CaseBuilder, the new on-line tool to process and respond to claims for unemployment benefits was rolled out in April, along with the new web based reporting software Insight. The feedback from members has been very positive and we would like to thank everyone for working with us during this transition. Additional reference information about both new programs is provided below.

If you missed one of the live CaseBuilder training events, you can view a recorded version at <http://www.talx.com/Demos/Casebuilder/story.html>.

If you need to add a new user to either CaseBuilder or Insight, please contact Mike Pennanen, Deloris Brown or Marti Bellport at 800-968-9675 and they will be happy to assist you with your request.

If you are a registered user and forget your PIN, follow the steps below to have it reset:

1. Contact Equifax's Help Desk at 866-723-4800.
2. Select option 1 and ask for a PIN reset.
3. Indicate "The 501 Alliance" for the name of your company name or give them company code 69596.
4. Provide them with your e-mail address and they will send you a new PIN.

Finally, if you have any other questions about using CaseBuilder or Insight, please contact us at 800-968-9675.

ACH Payment Option

We will now start to accept ACH (Automated Clearing House) payments in June of 2017. ACH allows funds to be electronically debited or credited to a checking or savings account. Payments will be accepted for quarterly and amended contribution reports, voluntary contributions and surcharge payments. This option was added based on feedback from members who find this payment method easier to manage and facilitate.

To use this option, members need to provide their bank's ACH payment authorization form to the Administrator for completion. The Administrator will then provide the required banking and routing information and return the completed form to the member. The member will then be able to submit payments from their bank to ours electronically.

Details about this new option are also provided on our website (501alliance.org). Members will need to log-in to their account and navigate to the Member Menu and click on the "Payment Information" link for more information.

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Officers Elected

The Board of Directors elected the individuals listed below to serve as officers of the group during their May meeting. Each officer is elected to serve a one-year term and can serve up to a maximum of three terms in the same office. Please join me in congratulating the following individuals.

- President: Ms. Jan Mack
HR Director
Alternative Services, Inc.
- Vice President: Mr. Larry Poupard, CPA
Accounting Manager
Financial One Accounting, Inc.
- Treasurer: Mr. Art Gadomski
Office Manager
Kent County Office of the Defender
- Secretary: Mr. Remi Montigny
Administrator/CFO
M & C Farming LLC

For a listing of all of the individuals on our board, please visit our web site at 501alliance.org. If you are interested in becoming a director, please contact the Administrator at 800-968-9675.

And the Winner is...

From a field of 19 candidates, the winner of the Harry and Shirley Klein Legal Scholarship award was announced at the annual meeting in May. Mr. Charles Stewart Baeder was the winner and he was presented with a check for \$1,000.

He is enrolled at the University of Michigan Law School and his current GPA is 3.85. In addition to pursuing his law degree, he works at the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) and spent time at the Jordanian Hashemite Fund for Human Development and the Peace Corps.

The 501 Alliance and Human Services for Workers Compensation boards established this scholarship in honor of Harry Klein. Harry was a nonprofit advocate and was instrumental in establishing legislation for an unemployment compensation group-reimbursing plan.

This scholarship was funded by contributions from the two boards and is posted at various law schools in Michigan. Candidates submit essays indicating how their background and qualifications fit with what Harry Klein tried to do with his life. Members of the board, along with a family member and judges, form the selection committee.