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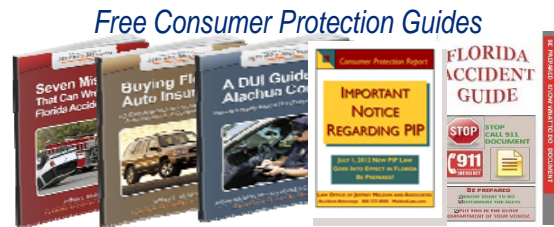
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*Happy Holidays  
From Our Family  
to Yours!*



### This month's "Trivial Pursuit" >>>

#### Questions:

1. If you were born in December, what would your birthstone be?
2. What flower is considered to be the flower for December?
3. True OR False: December has always had thirty-one days.
4. The Jewish festival of Hanukah is also known by which name?
5. Which award is normally handed out in December?
6. What infamous event occurred on the seventh of December?
7. What piece of land did the United States acquire on December 20, 1803?
8. What famous modern piece of sports equipment was invented on the 29th of December?
9. What event took place in the United States on the 16th of December?
10. Which American President was born on the 28th of December?



Answers: 1. Zircon, Tanzanite, or Turquoise 2. Narcissus 3. False 4. Festival of Lights 5. Nobel Prizes 6. The bombing of Pearl Harbor 7. Louisiana Territory 8. The Boston Tea Party 9. Andrew Johnson

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### Wrongful Death

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*December  
2016*



## Let's All Be Thankful for a Great Year!



We all have many things in our lives we can be thankful about. However, the distractions and stress of everyday life can sometimes turn our focus away from what we should be thankful for. No matter how bad things may seem at times *God* usually has a plan for us that we just don't understand at the moment.

I go to work every day (well almost every day, as you know I like to travel a lot), and I am committed to helping people who have had their lives turned upside down by a serious accident. I do this by helping them put their lives back together. Sounds stressful right? Yes! I have embraced a concept called *joyful stress*, where I try to take myself out of the craziness of the moment and keep some perspective on what is happening.

*Am I pretty healthy?*

*Is my family healthy?*

*Do I have a network of good friends and family?*

*Are there things in my life that I am passionate about that bring me happiness?*

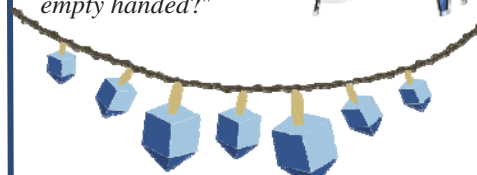
If you can answer any of these questions positively then you probably have many reasons to be thankful! So my hope for you during this holiday season is to count your blessings, and be grateful for the privilege of living in the greatest country in the world at this particular moment in time.

**Life is short, so make every day the best day you can!**

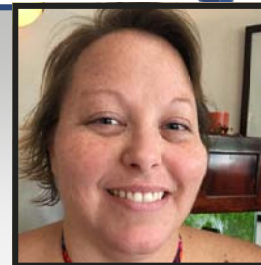
We at Meldon Law hope that each and every one of you have a happy and healthy holiday season!

**Joke of the Month**  
A grandmother was giving directions to her grown grandson who was coming to visit with his wife. "You come to the front door of the apartment complex. I am in apartment 14T."  
She continued, "There is a big panel at the door. With your elbow push button 14T. I will buzz you in. Come inside, the elevator is on the right. Get in, and with your elbow hit 14. When you get out I am on the left. With your elbow, hit my doorbell."

"Grandma, that sounds easy," replied the grandson, "but why am I hitting all these buttons with my elbow?"  
To which she answered, "You're coming empty handed!"



*Jeffrey Meldon*



### Thank You For Your Referral: *Evelyn Platt*

*Evelyn Platt*, of Jacksonville, is one of our favorite clients. She recently referred a case to the Meldon Law team, knowing that it would be handled with the utmost professionalism. As a thank you for thinking of us when making this referral, we will be making a donation to a charity of Evelyn's choice in her name.

*- The Meldon Law Team*



# MELDONLAW College Scholarship Essay Contest

We are pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship to the winner of our annual College Scholarship Essay Contest. In order to participate, applicants must be planning to attend an accredited U.S. college or university in the Fall of 2017 and follow the procedure set forth in the material below. Visit: [MeldonLaw.com/Scholarship/](http://MeldonLaw.com/Scholarship/) for more information.

**CONTEST RULES:** Applicants should submit a 500-word response to the following question:

*The remarkable popularity of Pokémon GO seems to indicate that augmented reality games may be the wave of the future. While games that require players to get out and interact with the real world may initially seem harmless, they can put players at a serious risk of injury. In fact, there have already been reports of accidents caused by people playing Pokémon GO while driving. Should the companies that manufacture games such as Pokémon GO be held liable if the game causes injury?*

**HOW TO APPLY:** Applicants should submit their responses in Microsoft Word document format as an attachment to [meldonlawscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:meldonlawscholarship@gmail.com) by **January 20, 2017**, with the following information in the body of the email:

- Your name and address
- The school you plan on attending in the Fall of 2017
- Your major
- If you are under 18 years old, contact information for your parent(s) / legal guardian

Once the application deadline has passed, the essays will be reviewed and judged based on the following criteria:

- Responsiveness to the question
- Grammar and style
- Thoughtfulness and originality
- The persuasiveness of the arguments presented



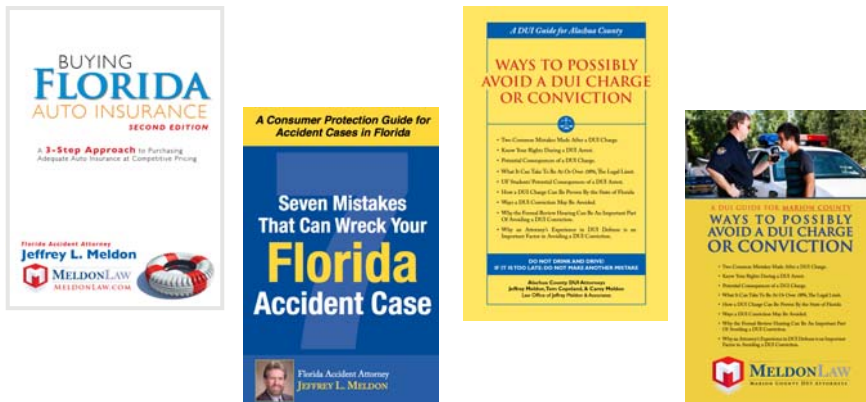
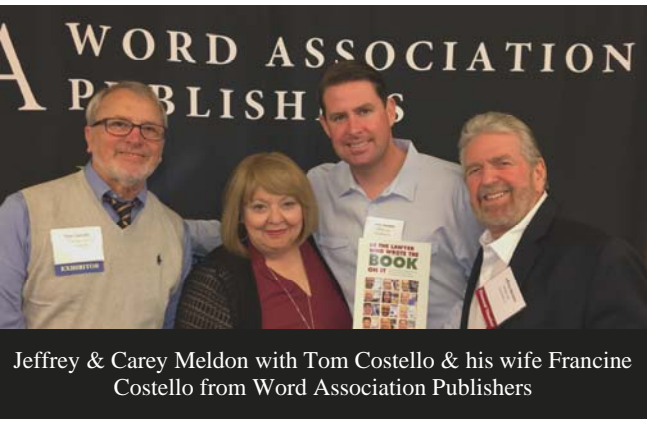
## Great Legal Marketing Conference: Helping Us Help You!

Jeffrey & Carey Meldon attended the *Great Legal Marketing Conference* held in Arlington, Virginia this past October, which is presented by founder Ben Glass. *Great Legal Marketing* is an attorney group that promotes educating clients in the community with books, newsletters, and other educational materials. These materials are easy to read, provide safety tips, as well as other information on how to keep you and your family safe. Ben Glass and his Great Legal Marketing Conference were instrumental in the creation of Meldon Law's Monthly Community Newsletter which started in 2008.

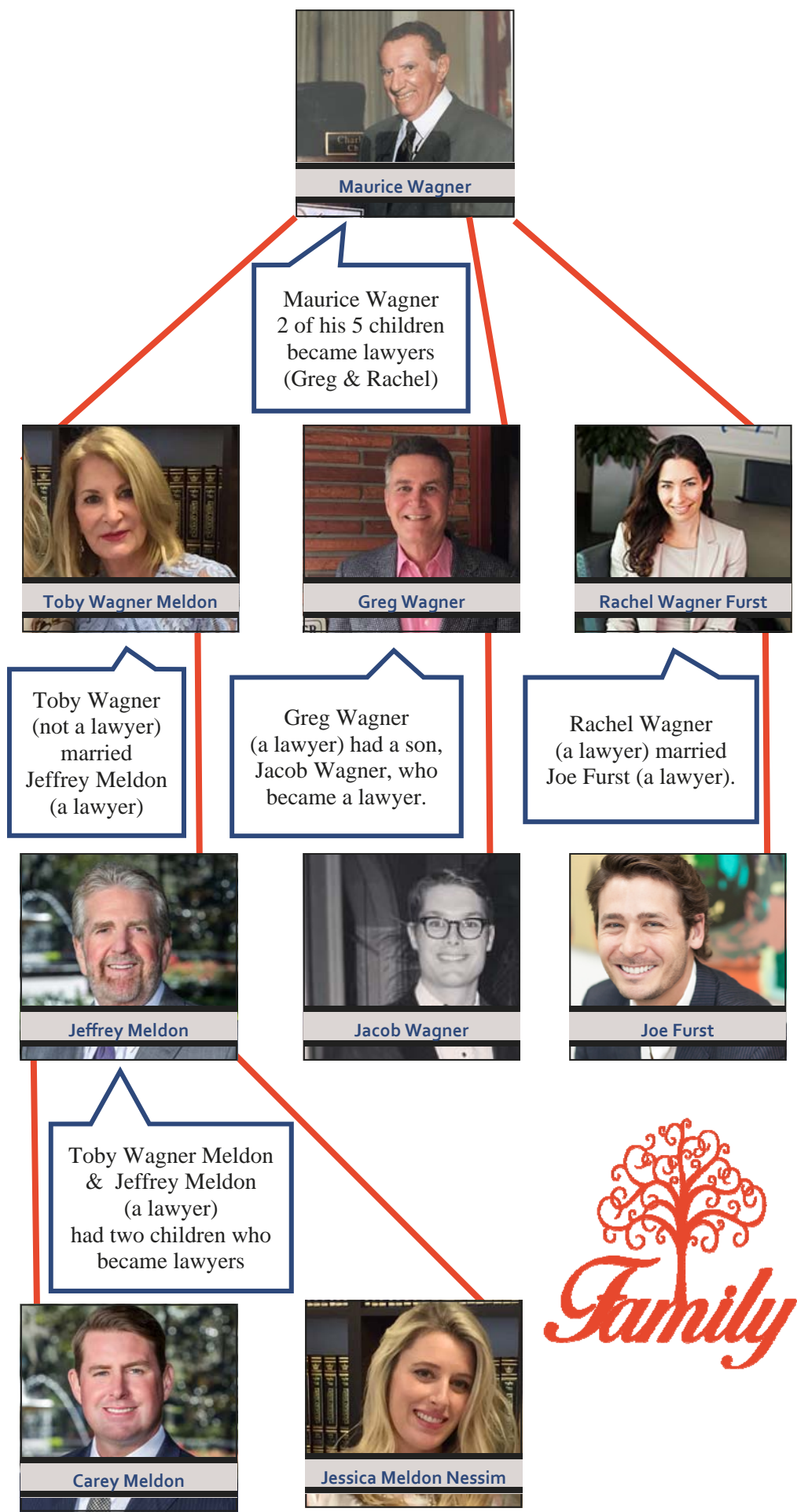


Ben Glass introduced Word Association Publishers Tom and Francine Costello to Jeffrey Meldon who have helped Meldon Law produce our FREE books: *Buying Florida Auto Insurance*, *Seven Mistakes That Can Wreck Your Florida Accident Case*, and our Alachua & Marion County *Ways To Possibly Avoid A DUI Charge or Conviction*.

Our goal at Meldon Law is to educate and protect the people within our community! To request a FREE copy of our books please visit [www.MeldonLaw.com](http://www.MeldonLaw.com) or email your request to [Marketing@MeldonLaw.com](mailto:Marketing@MeldonLaw.com).



## MELDON LAW: FAMILY OF LAWYERS



Welcoming Back our Meldon Law / WCJB TV20 Scholar Athletes of the Week!

Meldon Law has sponsored the **Scholar Athlete Program** since 1997. Every week of the school year a high school senior in the North Central Florida area is chosen as the Scholar-Athlete of the Week and given a \$100 scholarship and a plaque.

At the end of the school year we hold a banquet for all the winners and their families. Last year nearly 200 people attended the Scholar Athlete Banquet where one male and one female are chosen as **The Scholar Athletes of the Year**.

The winners receive a \$1,000 scholarship plus a beautiful glass trophy commemorating their achievement. Starting in 2003 the Meldon Law Firm teamed up with **WCJB TV20** to promote the event widely on TV 20.

### Our Most Recent Scholar Athletes!

**October 19th, 2016: Montrez Jackson** a running back and safety for **Trenton High School's** Football team. His great athletic ability on the field helped Trenton High School's football team bring back a title last season! With his 3.2 GPA he hopes to study Physical Therapy in college.

**October 26th, 2016: Joshua Brown** is a wide receiver/kickoff returner for **North Marion High School's** Football team. He has been playing the majority of his life and in 2015 he led the state in total return yardage! He maintains a 4.1 GPA and hopes to continue with football at the next level while studying piano and Sports Management.

**November 2nd, 2016: Mackenzie Grawcock** is a setter for **Newberry High School's** Volleyball team. She has been playing volleyball since middle school & is on the Varsity team. This season she is just two games away from a state championship! She maintains an impressive 4.9 GPA, and wants to pursue a career in journalism, majoring in broadcasting.

**November 9th, 2016: Abby Benton** is an outside hitter for **St. Francis High School's** Volleyball team. She has been playing volleyball since she was eight years old. Her skills both on the court and in the classroom, maintaining a 4.0 GPA, is what is leading her to Catawba College in North Carolina to continue her education and passion.

To nominate someone for Scholar Athlete of the Week, make sure he or she has at least a 3.0 GPA, is a major contributor in his or her sport, and a high school senior. Please send your nominations to [BrandanMcCalla@divcom.com](mailto:BrandanMcCalla@divcom.com), or you can call Brandan at (352) 416-0646.