



RETIREMENT MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)  
Invites you to its meeting **September 18, 2019** at 11:00 a.m.  
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT

## **Philip R. McKnight, Esq.** **“The Shakespeare Nobody Knows”**



Who was William Shakespeare? He was an enigma during his lifetime and even more so after his death in 1616. Professor McKnight will examine the fascinating subjects of Shakespeare's identity and the “Authorship Question.”

For generations, academic scholars, theater directors, and literature enthusiasts have argued over a basic question. Was William Shakespeare of Stratford-upon-Avon, a local grain merchant and businessman, the same William Shakespeare of the Globe Theater in London, and the actual author of approximately 39 sublime, powerful plays? McKnight will present some of the assumptions we quite simply cannot prove about the man called Shakespeare.

McKnight, a trial and appellate attorney, is currently on the faculty of the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts in North Adams, MA. He is an adjunct professor of environmental law and environmental history at both Williams College and MCLA. He completed the honors program for both American History and Literature and European History at Williams, and earned his law degree from the University of Chicago Law School. McKnight's lifelong interest in Shakespeare stems from a profound appreciation of the power and significance of his plays and an insatiable curiosity as to whether he actually wrote them. The analytical effort required to unravel that question and its many component parts would fascinate any trial lawyer, or anyone else.

**Next week, September 25: Daryl Hawk**, International documentary photographer, **“Colombia: Light at the Edge of the World.”** *The Greenwich Retired Men's Association offers a free program every Wednesday that is open to the public, both men and women; no reservations are required. Our social break starts at 10:40 a.m. followed promptly by our speaker at 11:00 a.m. Programs are at the First Presbyterian Church, 1 West Putnam in Greenwich. For additional information see [www.greenwichrma.org](http://www.greenwichrma.org) or contact [info@greenwichrma.org](mailto:info@greenwichrma.org)*