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BCBA committees

Probate Law Committee formed

At the request of new Probate Judge **Deborah Daniels**, BCBA President **Bruce Beckett** has appointed a new standing Probate Law Committee. New members will be appointed annually. The committee is chaired by **Jean Goldstein**. Other members are **William J. Powell**, **Jim Ausmus**, **Mick Wilson**, **Helen Cripps** and Judge Daniels.

Among other things, the committee will review audit practices and procedure, time requirements for estates to remain open, publication requirements for final notice, and materials outlining personal representatives' responsibilities. The committee also will work on developing standard probate forms.

Family, Juvenile committees meet March 30

The BCBA Family Law and Juvenile Law committees will hold a joint meeting at 11:30 a.m. March 30 at Mary Carnahan's office, 601 E. Broadway, Suite 203, Columbia. Pizza and soda will be served, and those attending should bring \$5 to cover the cost. RSVPs are requested to 442-3181 by 10 a.m. March 30. The committees will discuss a variety of family and juvenile law issues and are looking into obtaining CLE credit for the meeting.

Young Lawyers meet March 20

The BCBA Young Lawyers Committee will meet for a happy hour at McNally's Pub, 7 S. 6th St., Columbia, at 5 p.m. March 20. Members are encouraged to invite law clerks from their offices to attend. For information, contact **Gretchen Rogers** at 443-3134 or grogers@owwlaw.com.

The committee is organizing teams to participate in Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl for Kids' Sake at 3 p.m. March 10. To donate and/or participate, contact Gretchen or **Scott Wilson** at 443-4500 or scott@hineslawfirm.com.

Mock trial judges needed March 10

The BCBA Partners-in-Education Committee needs volunteer judges for the second round of the High School Mock Trial competition from 8:30 to noon on Saturday, March 10 at the Boone County Courthouse. To volunteer or obtain more information, contact **Todd Werts** at 875-1991 or werts@learandwerts.com.

CLE credit for voir dire program on March 14

CLE credit will be awarded for a panel discussion on jury selection at the next regular BCBA meeting at lunchtime Wednesday, March 14, at Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Amy Salladay** at 256-7205 or amy@knightslaw.net by 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 13.

As usual when CLE-credit programs are presented, lunch service will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the large basement meeting room at Boone Tavern. The price for lunch will be \$9, pay-

able to the restaurant.

Participants in the program will include Circuit Judge **Gary Oxenhandler** and BCBA members **Wally Bley** and **John Roark**.

Judge Oxenhandler plans to show a brief video, discuss the goals of voir dire, and give his personal observations of the process.

Wally and John will discuss voir dire from the plaintiff's and defendant's perspectives, respectively, including tips on how to prepare for and conduct voir dire.

Local 'Inn of Court' organized

A group of local lawyers, judges and law school professors recently formed the "Elwood L. Thomas Inn of Court."

The Inns of Court are tutelage groups for law students and newer lawyers (up to 10 years experience) with a goal of promoting professionalism, ethics and litigation skills. Information is available at www.innsofcourt.org. An application form for the local Inn will be circulated in the next few weeks.

The next meeting on April 17

will include a trial demonstration of a charge of theft against Meriwether Lewis for allegedly stealing a Clatsop Indian canoe during his explorations, discussion of the exercise, and division of new members into tutelage groups.

Questions about the group can be addressed to **Mariam Decker** at 443-3134 or mdecker@owwlaw.com. Other members of the group include **Ellen Roper**, Lori Levine, Dale Doerhoff, Thomas Sodergren, and James Layton.

2007 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form

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Around the bar

Retired Circuit Judge **Ellen Roper** has formed Civil Mediation Services (CMS) and is accepting mediation of non-domestic civil cases. She served 31 years as a judge, 28 as a Circuit Judge, and presided over numerous complex civil trials. CMS' address is P.O. Box 10084, Columbia 65205-4000, phone 449-6679, fax 875-8666, cell 489-3578. CMS has a web site at www.civilmediationservices.com.

Friends, family and community members recently presented a handicapped-accessible Ford van to Columbia lawyer **Max Lewis**, who is paralyzed from the neck down. Details and a photo can be seen on the web at <http://columbiamissourian.com/news/story.php?ID=24332>.

The Women Lawyers Association of Mid-Missouri will hold its third annual Legislative Event at 6 p.m. March 27 at Madison's Café in Jefferson City. Members of the legislature, elected officials and judges are invited to speak about pending legislative issues. To RSVP, contact Sarah at 443-3134 or standy@owwlaw.com. There is no charge for WLAMM members or students to attend. Dues status can be confirmed with Phebe LaMar (LaMar@smithlewis.com).

Recent new BCBA members are:

* **Kim S. Burton**, Armstrong Teasdale LLP, 3505 W. Truman Blvd., Suite 210, Jefferson City 65109-5861, phone 573-636-8394, fax 573-

636-8457.

* **Eva Holtz Haviv**, who works at the Missouri Department of Revenue and lives in Columbia.

* **Sander C. Sowers**, a new associate at the Law Office of Daniel S. Simon, P.C., 2101 Corona Rd., Suite 201, Columbia 65203, phone 256-8989, fax 256-5044. He graduated from MU with a B.S. in agricultural economics in 2002 and from St. Louis University Law School in 2005. He previously practiced in Rolla. He will focus on business and real estate law.

* **Jeremy A. Turner** has also joined the Law Office of Daniel S. Simon, P.C. in an of-counsel capacity. He graduated from Trinity University with a B.A. in philosophy in 1991 and from the MU Law School in 1998. In law school he was assistant managing editor of *The Missouri Law Review* and a member of the Order of the Coif. He previously taught philosophy at the University of Illinois-Champaign/Urbana and practiced law in Kansas City.

The MU Law School needs judges for the 1-L Moot Court competition from 6:30 to 10 p.m. April 9-12. Judges will receive CLE credit. For information or to volunteer, email umclawboa@missouri.edu.

The 14th Judicial Circuit has announced a memorial service for former Circuit Judge Channing D. Blaeuer, who died Dec. 17, 2006. The service will be held at 10 a.m. March 30 at the Randolph County Justice Center, 372 Highway JJ, Huntsville.

Stan Clay has office-sharing space available for one or two lawyers at 28 N. 8th St., Suite 517, Columbia. Included are secretary, receptionist, conference room, fax, DSL, postage, office supplies, copier, rent and utilities. Parking is available in the city garage across the street. Call 442-1646 for information.

Boone County owns and is making available for lease the law offices at 609 E. Walnut St., Columbia formerly occupied by Ford, Parshall & Baker, LLC. The space is over 6,100 square feet and includes offices for up to 15 lawyers plus staff. Call 886-4305 for information.

Bill Rotts is making newly remodeled space available in the Tenth & Walnut Building for mediations. Call Bill at 443-3463 for information.

About 40 members attended the Feb. 14 BCBA meeting to hear a presentation on lawyers' role in mediation by **Jim Levin**, Assistant Director of the MU Law School's Center for Dispute Resolution.

Treasurer's Report by Melissa Faurot

Account balance as of 2/1/07	\$9,554.10
Receipts 2/1/06 - 3/2/07	
Dues	+2,123.00
Holiday Party	+35.00
Bar lunch	+9.00
Interest	+1.20
Disbursements 2/1/07 - 3/2/07	
Accent Press (<i>Newsletter</i> printing)	-84.76
Midwest Mailing Service (<i>Newsletter</i> mailing)	-119.87
Boone Tavern (Executive Committee)	-87.27
Returned check and service charge (dues)	-43.00
Bar lunches	-18.00
Account balance as of 3/2/07	\$11,369.40