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CLE Credit Available for July 11 BCBA Presentation

Missouri Bar Deputy Executive Director **Sebrina A. Barrett** and 2011-12 Missouri Bar President Lynn Whaley Vogel will present the CLE program “Service First: Practice Management, Professionalism and Networking Resources for Missouri Lawyers” at the next regular meeting, lunchtime at Bleu on July 11. This program will highlight many of the free and discounted products offered to Missouri bar members to help them practice more effectively and efficiently. Topics include economic solutions, practice management resources, and how to get involved in the bar and network with colleagues. Learn how to take advantage of opportunities to get your name and practice out there, secure referrals and find new clients, as well as take advantage of the many benefits of being a member of The Missouri Bar. The program has been approved for 1.2 hours of CLE credit.

Ms. Barrett joined The Missouri Bar as its deputy executive director in February 2011, and will become the executive director in January 2013. She most recently served as senior director of public affairs and administrative services for the New York State Bar Association, and supervised the Departments of Media Services and Law, Youth & Citizenship, as well as provided direct support to Bar officers, the executive director, and the board of directors of The New York Bar Foundation.

Ms. Barrett previously served as staff attorney, law clerk and judicial clerk with the New York State Court of Appeals, the Appellate Division, Third Department, and the Supreme Court of Missouri, as as a confidential law clerk to the Hon. Michael A Wolff, Supreme Court of Missouri.

Missouri Bar President Lynn Whaley Vogel is a solo practitioner. In her practice she focuses on estates and trusts, serves as a mediator and arbitrator through USA &M, and works as counsel to a privately owned corporation. Ms. Vogel has practiced as a lawyer or been involved in law-related business for the past 25 years. Ms. Vogel has an extensive background serving the legal community and civic groups. She has been a member of the Board of Governors of The Missouri Bar since 2004. In that role she chaired a special committee to assist lawyers in a changing economy and the Delivery of Legal Services Committee focusing on pro bono services to those in need.

Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. on the lower level of Bleu, 811 E. Walnut. The presentation will begin about noon. A brief business meeting will precede the program. Lunch will be \$10, with checks made out to Bleu.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Gretchen Yancey** at 514-4061 or Gretchen@TheYanceyLawFirm.com by **5:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 10**. RSVP's are necessary so Bleu can prepare sufficient food and seating.

Annual Bar Picnic and Election Scheduled for October 5

The annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Election of Officers has been scheduled for the evening of Friday, October 5, 2012. The picnic will substitute for the regular meeting in October. The Picnic Committee consists of **Mark Langworthy**, Chair, **Lori Green**, **Christina Devine**, and **Sander Sowers**.

A social hour will begin about 5 p.m., followed by dinner at about 6 p.m. The usual menu is roasted beef ribeye, brats, hot dogs, side dishes, and beverages including beer, wine and soft drinks.

President **Marvin Tofle** has appointed the nominating committee, consisting of **Amy Markel**, Chair, **Larry Dessem**, and **Karen Hajicek**. The nominating committee has nominated the following slate of proposed officers to be voted on at the 2012-13 at the picnic: President- **Steve Scott**, Vice-President- **Russ Still**, Secretary- **Casey Berndt**, Treasurer- **Michael Foster**, At-Large Committee- **Amy Salladay**, **Erika Fadel**, and **Marvin Tofle**.

13th Circuit to be next Pilot Site for E-Filing

The 13th Circuit is proud to announce that the Office of State Courts Administrator selected Callaway County as its next pilot site for eFiling.

13th Circuit judges and staff will be learning eFiling process over the coming months, and the circuit is working with OSCA to see if a training date for Boone County attorneys would be possible. It is anticipated that eFiling in Callaway will begin in October.

E-Mail Addresses Needed by Boone County Court for Copy Billing

Message from Christy Blakemore, Boone County Circuit Clerk:

We are currently using JIS, Judicial Information System, to do our copy billing. We are essentially asking JIS to do something it is not designed to do; therefore, it is not working well at all.

We are in the process of purchasing some software that would allow us to keep track of the billing outside of JIS. We feel this will be more accurate and much more user friendly, for all involved. We also want to get the most out of the technology; therefore, we would like to start emailing the invoices. Please provide us with the attorney name and email address you wish the invoice be sent to.

We will continue to do the billing for each attorney as opposed to firm. However, if you would like the invoice email for all attorneys in your firm to go to one email address, that is fine. You can send those in writing to the attention of Lana Brooks at Lana.Brooks@courts.mo.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Lana or Christy at 886-4041.

2011-12 BCBA CLE Programs Listed

For the convenience of BCBA members completing their CLE reports due July 31, for the year ending June 30, CLE-credit programs presented by the BCBA from July 2011 through June 2012 are listed below. The same list appears at the BCBA website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/cle.htm>.

"Why Voir Dire Is So Tough" - presented by 13th Circuit Presiding Judge Gary Oxenhandler - July 13, 2011 - 1.2 hours.

"Time Management - Time Flies When You Are Having Fun But It's No Fun When the Time Has Flown" - presented by BCBA member Sarah J. Read - August 10, 2011 - 1.2 hours (including 1.2 hours ethics credit).

"State of Court" - presented by 13th Circuit Presiding Judge Gary Oxenhandler - October 12, 2011 - 1.2 hours.

"Dealing With Pro Se Litigants" - presented by Mid-Missouri Legal Services Executive Director Susan Lutton, 13th Circuit Associate Judge Leslie Schneider, and Amy Salladay - November 9, 2011 - 1.2 hours (including 1.2 hours ethics credit).

"2012 General Assembly Preview and Legislative Process" - presented by Senator Kurt U. Schaefer - January 11, 2012 - 1.2 hours.

"Collection Actions - Debt Buyers, Debt Sellers, and Their Attorneys" - presented by Dave Angle and Matt Wilson - February 8, 2012 - 1.2 hours.

"Civil Contempt in Family Court" - presented by Presiding Family Court Judge Leslie Schneider and Family Court Commissioner Sara Miller - March 14, 2012 - 1.2 hours.

"Missouri Ethics and Professionalism Update" - presented by Missouri Ethics Counsel Sara Rittman - May 9, 2012 - 1.2 hours (including 1.2 hours ethics credit).

"Navigating the Labyrinth of the Circuit Clerk's Office - How to Get Things Done" - presented by Boone County Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore - June 13, 2012 - 1.2 hours

Alternative Sentencing Court's Renovations Complete

The Boone County Alternative Sentencing Center's renovations are now complete. Avertest (formerly known as Global Testing Service) has moved into the basement and is providing all of the testing for the Boone County Alternative Sentencing Courts. CASA has also moved back into the ground floor and there is a large conference room and space for Probation and Parole to meet with clients. We are very appreciative to the citizens of Boone County for their support of this project through the sales tax that funded courthouse expansion.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, July 16, 3:30-5 p.m.: The Boone County Circuit Clerk's Office will be celebrating Terry Booker's 30 years of service with the judiciary on July 16. Terry has been with Boone County since 2007, with her previous years served in Cooper County. Please stop by the Clerk's Office in the Civil Division for the celebration. Cookies and punch will be served.

Tuesday, July 17, about 5 p.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for happy hour at Truman's Bar and Grill, 3304 W. Broadway. The committee will begin planning for its annual *Chipping in for Charity* golf tournament fundraiser. For more information contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com.

NEW MEMBERS

Sebrina Barrett, Deputy Executive Director, The Missouri Bar, 326 Monroe St., P.O. Box 119, Jefferson City, MO 65102, phone 573-638-2273, fax 573-635-2811, email sebrina@mobar.org. Sebrina received her undergraduate degree in agricultural journalism at the University of Missouri-Columbia, and graduated first in her class from the Southern Illinois University School of Law, where she was editor-in-chief of the *SIU Law Journal* and the recipient of several writing, research and service awards.

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Allison E. Singh, Shelter Insurance Companies, 1817 W. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201-4973, Phone 214-4259, email asingh@shelterinsurance.com. Allison graduated from the University of Missouri School of Law in 2011. She currently serves as a Litigation Attorney for Shelter Insurance, concentrating in insurance defense.

TRANSITIONS

Jeffrey R. Kays has been named the City of Ashland Prosecutor effective July 1, 2012. Contact information is 105 Oak St., Ste. E, Ashland, MO 65010, phone 573-657-0098.

Chris Braddock's email address has been updated on the website to chris@cline-braddock.com. Chris's other contact remains Cline & Braddock, 1310 Old 63 S., Ste. 201, Columbia, 65201-6078, phone 443-6244, fax 874-3640, web www.cline-braddock.com.

Helen Cripps, Jason Simmons, and Garnett Matthews-Campbell have updated their email addresses to Helen@crippsandsimmons.com, Jason@crippsandsimmons.com, and Garnett@crippsandsimmons.com, respectively. The other contact information remains Cripps & Simmons, L.L.C., P.O. Box 7068, 1109 Club Village Drive, Ste. 101, Columbia, MO 65205-7068, phone 447-3355. Fax 447-3399, web www.CrippsandSimmons.com.

Douglas Bieller announces the firm of Harris McCausland, P.C. has been renamed McCausland Barrett & Bartalos, P.C. The contact information remains 2101 Corona Rd, Ste. 203, Columbia, MO 65203, phone 445-8990, fax 445-8988, but the email address has been updated to dbieller@mbblawfirmkc.com.

Steve Faber has changed his email address to bigsteve5@aol.com. Steve's other contact info was not changed, and remains Faber and Brand, LLC, 6750 New Town Ave. S., P.O. Box 10110, Columbia, 65205-1010, Phone 449-3141, Fax 442-1072.

OTHER NEWS

Robert J. Buckley of Oliver Walker Wilson LLC was recently elected as President of the Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers (MODL) for 2012-13. MODL is comprised of more than 1,300 attorneys who primarily represent defendants in civil litigation.

Rachael F. Kennedy of Kennedy Law has been appointed president of the Missouri Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Her one-year term began April 19, 2012. She has been on the board of directors for two years. AFCC is an interdisciplinary and international association of professionals dedicated to improving the lives of children and families through the resolution of family conflict. AFCC provides many exciting training opportunities for family law professionals on local, state, regional and international levels. For more information, see www.afccnet.org and www.moafcc.org.

Stan Clay continues to offer office-sharing space at a reduced price available in the Guitar Building, 28 N. 8th Street, Suite 517, Columbia, 65201. This is a prime location, right across from the courthouse. It includes a secretary/paralegal, receptionist, office supplies, postage, fax, DSL high speed internet, conference room, WestlawNext, and a new phone system. For more information, call Stan at 442-1646.

The Boone County Circuit Judge Divisions' updated docket effective June 20 has been posted on the BCBA website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>. This reflects variations from the dockets established May 7 arising from judges' conflicts.

About 45 members and guests attended the regular BCBA meeting on June 13 to Boone County Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore present "Navigating the Labyrinth of the Circuit Clerk's Office- How to Get Things Done"

Treasurer's Report by Julia Grus

Account balance of as 5/25/12	\$11,091.81
Receipts 5/25/12 to 6/29/12	
Bar Dues	\$437.50
Interest	0.23
Bar Lunch	20.00
Total Receipts	\$457.73
Expenses 5/25/12 to 6/29/12	
Tranquility Internet Services	\$276.45
Bleu (Lunch payments)	20.00
Scholarship Checks	2,500.00
Total Expenses	\$2,796.45
Account Balance as of 6/29/12	\$8,295.36

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