



Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

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Judicial Candidates Forum at July 9 Meeting

The candidates on the ballot for the open seat in Division 5 after Judge **Larry Bryson**'s retirement, are **Rob Fleming**, **Michael Whitworth**, **Doug Shull**, **Kim Shaw** and **Finley Gibbs**. **Jennifer Bukowsky** will moderate a forum with the candidates at the next regular BCBA meeting on July 9.

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

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Marjorie Lewis** at 442-3181 or mlewis@bwsplaw.com by Noon, Tuesday, July 8. RSVP's are important for this meeting because a large crowd is expected, and management at Bleu want to prepare sufficient food and seating.

Jennifer Bukowsky nominated for 2014-15 BCBA President

Current BCBA Vice President **Jennifer Bukowsky** has been selected by the Nominating Committee as the nominee for 2014-15 BCBA President.

Other nominees are **Josh Oxenhandler** for Vice President, **Chrissy McCartney** for Secretary, **Jason Simmons** for Treasurer, and **Steve Richey** and **Kristen Dickinson** for at-large members of the Executive Committee.

Next year's Executive Committee will consist of the officers, at-large members, immediate past-President **Russ Still**, and Editor/Webmaster **Thad Taylor**.

The election of 2014-15 officers will take place at the Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Annual Meeting to be held in September [more information will be available on the picnic in the next *Newsletter*.] At the election, nominations also may be made from the floor with the consent of those so nominated.

Many thanks for the hard work of this year's Nominating Committee, which was chaired by **Marvin Tofle**. Other committee members were **Sander Sowers** and **Christina Devine**.

2013-14 BCBA CLE Programs Listed

For the convenience of BCBA members completing their CLE reports due July 31 for the year ending June 30, all the CLE credit programs presented by the BCBA from July 2013 through June 2014 are listed below. The same list appears on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/cle.htm>.

"*Preparing for E-Filing in Boone County*" - presented by Cathy Zacharias, OSCA - July 10, 2013 - 1.2 hours.

"*Panel on Truly Agreed and Finally Passed Legislation that Will Affect Law Practice*" - presented by Missouri State Representative Stephen Webber and Eric Wilson of the Missouri Bar - August 14, 2013 - 1.2 hours.

"*IL Black Letter Law: A Review of the High Points of Contracts, Civil Procedure, Property and Constitutional Law*" - presented by MU Law Professors Thom Lambert, **Larry Dessem**, Dennis Crouch, and Josh Hawley - October 9, 2013 - 1.2 hours.

"*State of the Court Address*" - 13th Circuit Presiding Judge **Jodie Asel** - November 13, 2013 - 1.2 hours.

"*The Attorney General's Office: Structure, Priorities and Constitutional Role*" - presented by Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster- January 8, 2014 - 1.2 hours.

"*Affordable Care Act - Legal Challenges and Policy Discussion*" - presented by MU Law Professors Phil Peters and Thom Lambert - February 12, 2014 - 1.2 hours.

"*Explanation of the State Auditor's Office*" - presented by Tom Schweich, Missouri State Auditor - March 12, 2014 - 1.2 hours.

"*Remarks by The Secretary of State*" - presented by Jason Kander, Missouri Secretary of State - May 14, 2014 - 1.2 hours

"*Stand By Your Man and Other Ethics Lessons from the Classics*" - Chief Justice Mary Russell - June 11, 2014 - 1.2 hours, including Ethics credit.).

City of Columbia has Assistant City Counselor Position Open

The City of Columbia's Law Department is accepting applications for Assistant City Counselor. The Assistant City Counselor serves as a legal advisor to the government of the City of Columbia on various civil and code matters under the managerial direction of the City Counselor. The Minimum to Midpoint salary range is \$60,712 to \$75,890 per year.

This is advanced professional work that requires the ability to communicate complex ideas effectively, both orally and in writing. A thorough knowledge of land use law including subdivisions, planning, zoning, annexation and development issues is required. This position will primarily focus on providing legal advice to the Columbia Community Development Department regarding planning, zoning and development issues.

Specific job duties may include: serving as the primary attorney to the Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustment; assisting City staff with plan reviews, preparing related special reports, briefs and opinions; drafting, updating, and reviewing contracts and development agreements; and enforcing various codes and ordinances as needed.

Links to the complete job description, requirements and application are available at <http://www.gocomojobs.com/postings/9821>. Official City of Columbia application form must be completed. Position is open until filled, preferred application date is Friday, July 18, 2014.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENT

Tuesday, July 15, 11:45 a.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for lunch at Bleu Restaurant & Wine Bar, 811 E. Walnut. Special guest **Rob Fleming** will be in attendance to visit with the YLC and to discuss his candidacy for the Division 5 Associate Circuit Judge position. The committee will also be planning for the annual Chipping in for Charity golf tournament fundraiser benefitting Mid-Missouri Legal Services. Please RSVP by July 14th to **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com so that appropriate accommodations for the meeting can be arranged.

TRANSITIONS

Mary Carnahan is retiring from Brown, Willbrand, Simon, Powell & Lewis, P.C., and is looking forward to enjoying whatever interesting options come her way. Mary appreciates all the advice she has received from the good Boone County lawyers over the years and the colleagues with whom she has had the pleasure to be associated [even the ones who were not quite so pleasant]. Mary plans to stay involved with the BCBA, and has provided the following new contact information: 4902 Royal Lytham Drive, Columbia, MO 65320, phone 445-5078, email Cecarnahan@aol.com.

Clayton Thompson moved to Ford, Parshall & Baker, LLC on June 20. Clayton's new contact information is 3210 Bluff Creek Drive, Columbia, MO 65201-3525, phone 449-2518, fax 875-8154, email cthompson@fpb-law.com, website www.fpb-law.com.

Janet Bezler has updated her contact information: Bezler Law Firm, 1207 W. Broadway, Ste. B, Columbia, MO 65203, phone 443-6003, fax 234-4835, email jmbezler@bezlerlawfirm.com, website www.bezlerlawfirm.com.

NEW MEMBERS

Michael Barrett, General Counsel and Public Information Officer, Missouri Public Defender System, 1000 W. Nifong, Bldg. 7, Ste. 100, Columbia, MO 65203, phone 355-6030, fax 777-9975, email Michael.Barrett@mspd.mo.gov. Michael attended Southern Illinois University and graduated in 2002. Prior to his current appointment, Michael served as Deputy General Counsel for Governor Jay Nixon.

OTHER NEWS

The City of Columbia Municipal Division of the Boone County Circuit Court has issued a new Fee and Cost Schedule effective for cases filed after July 1, 2014. A link to the PDF version of the schedule can be found on the BCBA website at http://bocomobar.org/fees_costs.htm.

CJ Dykhouse forwarded updated OSCA *Party Types* and *Case Types* sheets, which have replaced the old versions on the BCBA website for your reference. The updated sheets can be found at <http://bocomobar.org/forms.htm>.

The Columbia Family Law Group is relocating at the end of July and has some nice quality furniture for sale. The items are already on Craigslist, and are available immediately. The items include 1] a wooden bench with red cushion (great for children), 2] a receptionist stand with task light, 3] a plant stand, 4] a small conference room table, 6 chairs and matching credenza, 5] a U-shaped executive cherry desk, and 6] an oak bookcase. If interested, contact Betsy Fortier, Legal Assistant at the Columbia Family Law Group, 303-5530, or by email at secretary@columbiamfamilylawgroup.com.

OTHER NEWS (CONT.)

The Boone County Circuit Court has updated its list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule effective June 18, 2014 and the Boone County Associate Court's current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule has been updated effective June 30, 2014. Both updated lists can be found on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>.

About 100 BCBA members and guests attended the regular monthly meeting and Ethics CLE "Stand By Your Man and Other Ethics Lessons from the Classics" by Chief Justice Mary Russell.

JULY 2014 TREASURER'S REPORT BY CLARK JONES

Account balance of as May 30, 2014	\$11,914.46
Receipts 5/30/14 to 6/30/14	
5/31 Interest Payment	\$0.11
6/20 Bar Dues - 2014	\$187.50
6/20 Bench/Bar Mixer	\$25.00
6/20 Bleu Lunch Payment	\$20.00
Total Receipts	\$232.61
Expenses 5/30/14 to 6/30/14	
6/20 Check #1545 – Tranquility – for hosting the website	(\$276.45)
6/20 Check #1546 – Bleu for unpaid lunches	(\$45.00)
6/20 Check #1547 – UMKC – on behalf of Hickman Scholarship winner	(\$1,000.00)
6/30 Check #1548 – Thad Taylor for webmaster/ <i>Newsletter</i> services [2 nd quarter]	(\$750.00)
Total Expenses	-\$2,071.45
Account Balance as of June 30, 2014	\$10,075.62

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