

BCBA Holiday Party set for Wednesday, December 14

The BCBA Holiday Party has been set for Wednesday, December 14, from 6-8 p.m. at the Country Club of Missouri, 1300 Woodrail Ave, Columbia, MO 65203. The event will begin at 6:00 pm with a social hour (drinks and appetizers provided), with a buffet dinner featuring Chicken Roma and Peppered Beef Medallions beginning at 7:00 pm. Cost will be \$30 per person and RSVP's will be required. In honor of and because of a generous donation by the late Bob Smith, the signature cocktail for the evening will be an "old fashioned."

This is an enjoyable annual social gathering for members to mingle with other lawyers and judges and their spouses and dates. Spouses and dates are invited and welcome.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, click on the RSVP button on the Boone County Bar's Website home page, or use this link: <http://boonecountybar.org/rsvp/> by Noon, Wednesday, December 7. RSVP's are important for this meeting so management at CCMO can prepare sufficient food and seating. You can mail your payment to Boone County Bar Association, 705 E. Walnut, Columbia, MO 65201, or you can pay at the door. Please Note: If you RSVP but end up not being able to come, we will still need for you to pay since the BCBA will have to pay the Country Club based on the number who made reservations.

Time to Pay 2017 Dues

Lawyers and firms wishing to expense 2017 BCBA dues in 2016 may send \$50/lawyer dues to Treasurer **Merce'de Savala** at Boone County Bar Association, 705 E. Walnut, Columbia, MO 65201. Make checks payable to "Boone County Bar Association." Dues become payable January 1, and members will be removed from the rolls if they have not paid dues by April 1, 2017. Dues are waived for sitting and retired judges, and members who have reached 75 years of age, or have been licensed for 50 years.

Please provide the 2017 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form with your payment or exemption. This is especially important if you would like your areas of practice listed with your name in the Membership Directory. On the form, each attorney may list up to two areas of practice. The form can be found at <http://boonecountybar.org/dues/>.

Announcement for Court-Approved Family Court Mediators

The 13th Judicial Circuit is now accepting applications for their 2017 list of Court Approved Family Court Mediators. Supreme Court of Missouri Rule 88.05 requires a mediator in a contested child custody matter to be an attorney or to possess graduate degree in a field that includes the study of psychiatry, psychology, social work, counseling or other behavioral science substantially related to marriage and family interpersonal relationships. This rule also mandates that a mediator has received a minimum of 20 hours of child custody mediation training in a program approved by the court. Local Court Rule 68.16(C) requires mediators to obtain an additional 6 hours of mediation-related training every two years, using The Missouri Bar's reporting period. Applicants must submit an [application form](#) and certificate of completion of hours taken. Please submit your completed application by December 30, 2016 to Cindy Garrett, Deputy Court Administrator, 13th Judicial Circuit, Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia, MO 65201. Application forms are available by calling Cindy at 886-4059 or e-mailing her at cindy.l.garrett@courts.mo.gov.

Missouri Supreme Court Judge Richard B. Teitelman Passes at Age 69

It is with great sadness that the Supreme Court of Missouri acknowledges the passing of its beloved colleague, Judge Richard B. Teitelman, on November 29. Judge Teitelman began his service on the state's high court in March 2002 and served as its chief justice from July 2011 through June 2013. In honor of Judge Teitelman, the Supreme Court cancelled oral arguments scheduled for November 29. Judge Teitelman's funeral was held Thursday, December 1, in St. Louis. Memorial contributions may be sent to Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, 4232 Forest Park Avenue, where he served for almost 25 years.

Update to Local Court Rules

At the October 25th Court en Banc meeting, Local Court Rule 6.1.1 was updated to remove the language regarding requests for jury trials going to circuit court. Effective January 1, 2017, associate circuit judges will hear jury trials. The docket schedule is being updated to provide each judge with time to hear jury trials.

At the same meeting, the Court en Banc approved rule 6.11 "Assignment to Probate Division," which allows matters under local court rule 4.3 to be transferred to the probate division by any judge. This was passed with the emergency clause to be in effect after 30 days so that it, and rule 4.3, are in effect at the same time. Rule 4.3 was passed in the September Court en Banc meeting.

BCBA Committee Members Announced for 2016-17

BCBA President **Marjorie Lewis** has announced her appointments for the 2016-17 Committee members. If you would like to serve on a committee, or continue to serve, and your name is not listed below, please complete the 2016-17 Committee signup form at <http://boonecountybar.org/committees/>.

Committee	Members
ADR/Mediation	Chair: David Gibbons , Other Members: Myia McKenna and Lorri Kline
Bar/Schools Partnership	Chair: Lori Hickerson . Other Members: Norman Lampton , Rodney Massman , and Jack McManus
Commercial Law	Chair: Norman Lampton Other Members: Michael Carney , Gwen Hart , Brian Baehr , and Dave Angle
Criminal Law	Chair: Jeff Hilbrenner . Other Members: Dan Viets , William Ellis , Jack McManus , Jenny Young , and Julia Bonham
Family Law	Chair: Helen Wade . Other Members: Casey Berndt , Janet Bezler , Lori Hickerson , Amy Markel , Gretchen Yancey , Amy Markel
Juvenile Law/Guardian ad Litem	Chair: Casey Berndt . Other Members: William Ellis , Janet Bezler , Lori Hickerson , Amy Markel , Anna Lingo
Legal Aid	Chair: Christina Devine . Other Members: Susan Lutton , Michael Carney
Picnic	Chair: Mark Langworthy . Other members: Norman Lampton , Jason Simmons , Sander Sowers
Practice, Procedure and Judiciary	Chair: Ron Netemeyer . Other Members: Jeff Parshall , Ron Sweet , Bill Swift , Jill Harper
Probate	Chair: Michael Sukup . Other members: Rachael Kennedy , Gwen Hart , Bryan Allee , Jason Simmons , and Thad Taylor .
Program/Entertainment	Chair: Jason Simmons
Public Relations	Chair: Josh Oxenhandler
Young Lawyers	Chair: Michael Carney . Other Members: Michael Sukup , Rodney Massman , Brianna Lennon

Missouri Bar Cards Now Required for Attorneys to Bring Phones into Courthouse

At the August 23, 2016, 13th Circuit Court en Banc meeting, the court amended Local Court Rule 9.6 Electronic Devices, to prohibit the public from bringing cellular phones into the Boone County Courthouse, and into the Callaway County Courtrooms. This policy will go into effect on Monday, October 24, 2016.

This amendment has been discussed by the Court en Banc since its May meeting, though the Court Marshal office has made the request in the past.

The change was proposed and considered in light of local and national concerns with security. This policy is not unique to the 13th Circuit. At least 14 other state courts in Missouri have the same or more restrictive policy, and the public are not allowed to bring their phones into the Supreme Court of Missouri; the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District; and some federal courthouses.

The amendment passed unanimously by the Court en Banc states that no one is allowed to bring a cell phone into the Boone Courthouse or a Callaway courtroom with exceptions for work related duties. Callaway was limited to the courtrooms only, as it is a multi-function building. Work related exceptions include attorneys, law enforcement on official duty, and the media; but only attorneys may use their phones in the courtroom. An important caveat to the list is in section 6 which allows "Any other person the court may authorize."

The amendment includes the following new language:

A. No persons are allowed to bring cellular telephones into the Boone County Courthouse, or the Callaway County Courtrooms with the following exceptions:

1. Attorneys in good standing.
2. State and county employees on court business.
3. Law enforcement personnel and Probation and Parole Officers on official duty.
4. Victims/witnesses who are attending court business in the Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Juvenile Office.
5. Members of the press.
6. Any other person the court may authorize.

Any person in the categories above may be required to provide identification to confirm their status upon the request of the Court Marshals. Persons allowed to bring cellular phones into the Boone County Courthouse are not allowed to use them in the courtrooms. Attorneys, who show their MO Bar Card upon entry, are allowed to bring cellular phones into the courtrooms and are requested to restrict use of their cellular phones in the courtrooms to business only.

Attorneys and Law Students Needed January 15-16 for Mock Trial Tournament

Columbia College and the University of Missouri Columbia are hosting an Undergraduate Mock Trial Invitational Tournament competition at the University of Missouri Columbia on Friday January 13 and Saturday January 14, 2016. The tournament hosts need attorneys and law students to serve as judges for this four-round tournament, which serves as a forum for teams to practice their skills for the regional tournament held in Kansas City in February. Judges will score a printed ballot with established criteria and rule on evidentiary objections governed by an evidence code similar to the Federal Rules of Evidence.

This year's case is a civil employment discrimination case. Judges are needed for any and all rounds, which are as follows:

Round 1 – Friday, January 13

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m

Round 2 – Friday, January 13

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Round 3 – Saturday, January 14

9:00a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Round 4 – Saturday, January 14

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Food and ample non-alcoholic beverages will be provided for judges. Those interested in judging or in need of further information may contact Professor Barry Langford at Columbia College at brlangford@ccis.edu or 875-7484. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this competition!

BCBA Upcoming CLE Programs Announced

Mark Your Calendars! As future BCBA programs are lined up by Vice President **Jason Simmons**, they will be announced here. On January 11, **Jennifer Bukowsky**, and possibly a panel, will present a CLE on Missouri's new criminal code which takes effect January 1, 2017.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, December 9, Noon: The Criminal Law Committee will meet in the corner room at Shiloh, and will feature **Cavanaugh Noce**, who will take over as the new Columbia Municipal Judge on January 12, 2017. Any BCBA members are welcome to attend. Also, for Criminal Law Committee members, following is a link to a survey to help create a schedule for our meetings in 2017. Please fill it out.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B2YLNHD>.

Thursday, December 22, 11:30 a.m.: The Young Lawyer's Committee will meet for its annual holiday lunch gathering. Location is TBD and will be emailed to the YLC. Those attending are asked to bring a gag/white elephant gift for the always entertaining gift exchange. Please RSVP by December 19th at 5:00 p.m. to **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991, or sowers@learwerts.com.

Thursday, February 23, 11:00: The University of Missouri School of Law Career Expo will be held at Reynolds Alumni Center. For more information, or to register online, go to <http://law.missouri.edu/careers/2017-expo>.

TRANSITIONS

(Retired) Judge **Gary Oxenhandler** and **Josh Oxenhandler** are excited to announce the opening of Oxenhandler Law. Oxenhandler Law will continue to provide the same legal services and customer service you have come to expect. Gary will provide mediation & arbitration services, accept master appointments and internal inquiries and be a general problem solver and advice giver. Josh will continue to provide legal services. For you, the only change will be our location- both on the internet and our physical office. Oxenhandler Law is located at 1001 E. Walnut, Suite 300 (the big grey building on the corner west of Ernie's restaurant) and our new website www.oxenhandler.com is coming soon. Alison will still answer her direct line 573.499.1715 and our old email addresses (josh@midmissourilawyers.com & alison@midmissourilawyers.com) will work until we roll out the new ones shortly. If you are a current client, the only change you will see is in our physical location. If you have been with us for a long time, you may remember 573.449.2929, the Firm's original number from 43 years ago- it will be live again shortly! Alison, Gary and Josh have been hard at work during weekends and evenings to make sure that the doors remain open to work for their clients.

NEW MEMBERS

Cara Stuckel, Missouri Attorney General's Office, 207 W. High St., P.O. Box 899, Jefferson City, MO 65102, phone 314-420-0452, email carastuckel@gmail.com, Practice Areas: Civil Litigation- Defense, Employment and Labor law.

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NEW MEMBERS (CONT.)

More information is available for new member **Ed Kolkebeck**, Mid-Missouri Legal Services, Affordable Care Act Attorney, 1201 W. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65203, phone 573-442-0116, fax 573-875-0173, email kolkebecke@mmls.org. Ed attended Saint Louis University Law School, and graduated in 2013. He previously worked at the Missouri Department of Social Services until 2016 as a child support and public benefits hearing officer, and is currently employed as a staff attorney at Mid-Missouri Legal Services, doing health law and Affordable Care Act work.

OTHER NEWS

Pat Eng has office space available December 1, at 9th and Ash. There is 1200 square feet and parking available. For more information, you may contact Pat at 874-4190 or peng@engandwoods.com.

The 13th Circuit Associate Court's current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule, effective November 30, 2016, has been uploaded to the new website, and can be found at <http://boonecountybar.org/docket-schedules/>.

About 60 members and guests attended the monthly BCBA meeting and CLE presentation "Reflections of a New Judge: The First Six Months", presented by Judge **Jeff Harris** on November 9.

NOVEMBER 2016 TREASURER'S REPORT BY MERCE'DE SAVALA

Account balance of as November 30, 2016	\$27,512.59
Receipts 11/1/16 to 11/30/16	
11/30 2016 Membership Dues	\$37.50
11/30 Interest	\$0.23
Total Receipts	\$37.73
Expenses 11/1/16 to 11/30/16	
11/28 CASA Justice is Served Donation	(\$500.00)
Total Expenses	(\$500.00)
Account Balance as of 11/30/16	\$27,050.32