

## **CLE Credit Available at the November 9 BCBA Meeting**

Circuit Judge **Jeff Harris** will present the program entitled “Reflections of a New Judge: The First Six Months” at the next regular BCBA meeting at lunchtime on Wednesday, November 9. The program has been approved for 1.2 hours CLE credit.

Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the County Room at Bleu, 811 E. Walnut. The presentation will begin about noon. A brief business meeting will precede the program. Lunch will be \$14, with checks made out to Bleu.

**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, Tuesday, November 8. RSVP’s are important for this meeting so management at Bleu can prepare sufficient food and seating.

## **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.

## **MMLS Thanks BCBA for Funds Raised through Golf Tournament**

Mid-Missouri Legal Services thanks the Young Lawyers Committee of the Boone County Bar Association for its tremendous efforts and success in planning and executing the 2016 Golf Tournament that was held on Columbus Day at the A.L. Gustin Golf Course in Columbia. The weather was incredible, and a great time was had by everyone. MMLS also thanks the Tournament sponsors and participants for their support and congratulates the winners of the many prizes presented at the end of the day. All proceeds from the event, which are expected to be more than \$12,000, will be donated to Mid-Missouri Legal Services to fund its Veterans Law Project at the Truman V.A. Hospital in 2017. The BCBA-YLC has donated the proceeds of the Tournament to MMLS for several years, and the success of the Veterans Law Project is due greatly to this continued support. Many thanks to **Sander Sowers** and his incredible team of volunteers who organized this great event again in 2016!

## **Edwin R. Ardini, Jr. Oath of Office Ceremony November 10**

Judge Ardini will be administered the oath of office for the Western District of the Missouri Court of Appeals on November 10, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. in the Boone County Courthouse Ceremonial Courtroom. There will be a reception to follow on The Roof at the Broadway Hotel, 1111 E. Broadway.

## **CASA Annual ‘Justice is Served’ Event to be held on November 17**

Heart of Missouri Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) will host their annual Justice is Served fundraising event on Thursday, November 17. The event will be held at the Champagne Ballroom (next to Sophia’s restaurant) from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. This year’s honoree is State Treasurer Clint Zweifel.

The evening will feature local artist Dennis Murphy with both original and limited edition prints for sale to benefit CASA. Heavy appetizers, complimentary champagne toast and Missouri wines, as well as a cash bar with local beers and spirits will be served. Tickets can be purchased on the CASA [website](http://www.heartofmissouricasa.com/) at <http://www.heartofmissouricasa.com/>.

Recipient of the Missouri Bar’s prestigious Liberty Bell Award, Heart of Missouri CASA serves a vital role in our community believing that all children have the right to safe, healthy, stable homes, free from abuse and neglect. A CASA volunteer, serving as a court-appointed advocate, is trained to promote and pursue the best interest of an abused or neglected child in family court, and prevents the child from getting lost in the system by being sensitive to the child’s needs and presenting these needs in court.

“I’m proud to serve on the Board for Heart of Missouri CASA and continue to be amazed by the dedication of our volunteers. Justice is Served is a great way for the community to engage and support this outstanding organization,” comments Boone County Bar Association and Board Member, **Emily Little**.

The role of the CASA volunteer in a child abuse or neglect case is to investigate the circumstances surrounding the case, make an independent evaluation with recommendations regarding actions the CASA believes are in the child’s best interest- both short and long term, and to monitor the case until a permanent placement is achieved. Through these advocacy efforts, CASA is working with the Court to ensure that every child has a chance for a brighter future.

To learn more about Heart of Missouri CASA and to purchase your ticket to Justice is Served, please visit <http://www.heartofmissouricasa.com/> or contact Interim Executive Director, Sara Echternach [sara@homcasa.org](mailto:sara@homcasa.org).

## **Mizzou Law School Presenting Veterans Clinic Annual Symposium November 11**

Next Friday is Veterans Day and The Veterans Clinic Annual Symposium, entitled : **“Traumatic Brain Injury 2.0: The Science, Treatment and Legal Considerations Behind One of Our Nation’s Most Pressing Issues** will be presented at Hulston Hall. The symposium will start at 8:00 a.m. It is not too late for you to plan to attend!

- \* Learn more about Traumatic Brain Injury
- \* Hear from veterans
- \* Hear the NFL perspective
- \* Learn from doctors and lawyers
- \* Visit one on one with a Decision Review Officer from the Department of Veterans Affairs about your claim

Parking will not be an issue - the website describes the shuttle service. Complimentary lunch for those who stay for the afternoon session. Registration is not required but appreciated. The law school wants to make sure to plan appropriately. Register online at [www.law.missouri.edu/veterans-symposium](http://www.law.missouri.edu/veterans-symposium). Hope to see you soon!

The symposium is free and open to the public. Registration is requested but not required. (Registration link: <http://law.missouri.edu/faculty/veterans-clinic-symposium/registration/>.) Total CLE credit: 6.2 (including 1.0 hour of ethics credit for “Ethical Considerations in Dealing with Impaired Clients and VA Fiduciary Issues” at 3 p.m.) <http://law.missouri.edu/faculty/veterans-clinic-symposium/>.

## **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.

## **Change to Judicial Assignments for Criminal Cases Bound Over**

Effective September 19, 2016, the decision was made to use the court management system (JIS) to randomly assign criminal cases bound over to circuit judges versus the cases being placed on the trial setting docket for assignment. The trial setting docket is still be utilized to set future dates after the assignment of a judge by JIS. When a case is bound over from the associate court, the associate judge will make an order stating arraignment set for Monday and the clerk will set the case with the appropriate circuit judge after JIS makes the assignment. Therefore, all circuit judges will now hear their own cases for arraignment on their Monday law day docket.

## **Beware Of Jury Scams**

On October 18<sup>th</sup>, Marla Gunn was notified from two people who were sent the following email:

Our records indicate that you failed to appear as scheduled for jury service. Further details are included in on our website. Please review the shown information carefully. Additional information may be requested. Please review this document within 3 business days, after which you may be contacted and required to appear in court before a judge. Alice Walsh-Reynolds, Clerk to the Court.

When one clicks on the link, it is assumed they are asked for credit card information to pay a 'fine'. Of course, this is a scam, and if anyone receives this email they should not click on the link.

## Guardian ad Litem Training on Veteran's Day, November 11

The 13th Circuit is preparing the agenda for the annual GAL Training scheduled for November 11, 2016. More information will be forwarded once the agenda and presenters have been finalized. This training will satisfy the required hours as set forth in the Guardian ad Litem Standards approved by the 13th Circuit.

Details to follow, or contact Cindy Garrett with questions at: [cindy.l.garrett@courts.mo.gov](mailto:cindy.l.garrett@courts.mo.gov).

## Ann Sprague Retiring from the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit

For those who may not be aware we are sad to announce that Ann Sprague has submitted her letter of resignation effective November 4, 2016. Ann has been the Court Reporter for Division I since 1995. Ann has recently accepted a position as the Court Reporter for Judge Steele in the 2nd Circuit in Adair, Knox, and Lewis counties. We want to thank Ann for her time and dedication to the 13th Circuit. Therefore, we hope you can stop by and wish Ann well on November 4, 2016 between 3:30 - 5:00 in the Jury Assembly Room of the Boone County Courthouse.

## 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 December 14, there will be the Holiday Party. 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

**Tuesday, November 29, 5 p.m.:** The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for happy hour at Top Ten Wines, 111 S. 9<sup>th</sup> St. For more information, contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or [sowers@learwerts.com](mailto:sowers@learwerts.com).

### TRANSITIONS

No transitions reported this month.

### NEW MEMBERS

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### OTHER NEWS

**Pat Eng** has office space available December 1, at 9<sup>th</sup> and Ash. There is 1200 square feet and parking available. For more information, you may contact Pat at 874-4190 or [peng@engandwoods.com](mailto:peng@engandwoods.com).

The law firm of Bradshaw, Steele, Cochrane, Berens & Billmeyer is an established 9 person firm located in Cape Girardeau Mo. The firm has a general practice including insurance defense, real estate, business, family law and creditor's rights. The firm is seeking one or two associates with one to three years experience who are self-motivated with strong communication skills and a desire to succeed. Opportunity exists for an associate to practice in multiple areas of law and to thereafter specialize in an area of their choosing based upon interest and skill set. If interested, please send resume and contact information to: Richard G. Steele at [richards@bradshawsteele.com](mailto:richards@bradshawsteele.com)

### OTHER NEWS (CONT.)

The 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Associate Court's current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule, effective November 2, 2016, has been uploaded to the new website, and can be found at <http://boonecountybar.org/docket-schedules/>.

About 85 members and guests attended the 'State of the Court' Address at the BCBA meeting on September 9.

### OCTOBER 2016 TREASURER'S REPORT BY MERCE'DE SAVALA

<b>Account balance of as September 30, 2016</b>	<b>\$14,657.95</b>
<b>Receipts 9/30/16 to 10/31/16</b>	
10/24 2016 Membership Dues	\$43.75
10/28 Deposit from Golf Tournament	\$15,915.00
10/31 Interest	\$0.14
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$15,958.89</b>
<b>Expenses 9/30/16 to 10/31/16</b>	
10/___ Uuism Networks (Website Hosting)	(\$48.00)
10/28 Gustin Golf Course (Fees for Tournament)	(\$3,040.00)
10/31 Secretary of State (Registration Fees)	(\$16.25)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>(\$3,104.25)</b>
<b>Account Balance as of 10/31/16</b>	<b>\$30,616.84</b>