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In-House Counsel Panel to Present at August Meeting



The August meeting of the BCBA will be held on Wednesday, August 9 at the Columbia Country Club. The CLE presentation will be by a panel of local in-house counsel comprised of: Mark Menghini, University of Missouri General Counsel; Claire Owen, Columbia Insurance Group Vice President, Secretary & General Counsel; and, Steve Condren, Veterans United Home Loans Associate General Counsel. Meal service will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the CLE presentation to begin around noon. The cost is \$16 per person and can be paid at the door. Checks should be made payable to the BCBA. The Missouri Bar has approved 1.2 hours of CLE credit for this program. Please RSVP to attend

this meeting by 3:00 p.m. Monday, August 7 by clicking the RSVP button on the Boone County Bar's website or at http://boonecountybar.org/rsvp.

BCBA Nominating Committee Announces 2024 Slate of Officers

The BCBA Nominating Committee has come forward with its proposed slate of 2024 BCBA Officers: President: **Jennifer Rodewald**, Vice President: **Emily Little**, Secretary: **Jordan Hudspith**, Treasurer: **Matt Quetsch**, Editor/Webmaster: Lear Werts LLP, and At-Large Members **Myia McKenna** and **Skip Walther**. The executive committee of the BCBA will be composed of the officers, two at-large members, and the soon-to-be immediate past president, **Becky Thompson**. The BCBA thanks the nominating committee of **Merilee Crockett**, **Steve Scott**, **José Caldera**, and **Kirsten Dunham** for their service.

Past BCBA and Missouri Bar President Marvin "Bunky" Wright Will Be Missed

Longtime Boone County attorney and community leader Marvin "Bunky" Wright passed away on July 14, 2023. Friend and former law partner, **Hamp Ford**, noted that Bunky was "someone we should all aspire to be like." Bunky's son-in-law, **Hon. Mark Pfeiffer**, remembered Bunky by stating that "[h]e was somebody who was for sure a father figure and always somebody who would just listen to me." Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Missouri School of Law Marvin E. Wright Endowed Scholarship, the University of Central Missouri Marvin E. "Bunky" Wright Educational Scholarship Endowment, or to a charitable organization of the donor's choice.



BOONE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

CHIPPING IN FOR CHARITY

16th Annual Charity Golf Tournament Set for October 9



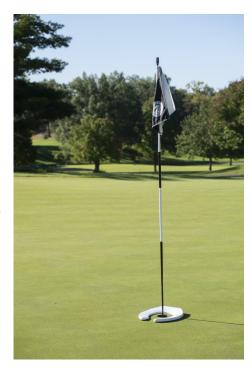
The 16th annual Chipping in for Charity golf tournament organized by the Community Involvement Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 9, 2023 (Columbus Day - a court holiday). The registration deadline for the tournament is Monday, September 25th.

This year's tournament will be held at Columbia Country Club, 2210 North Country Club Drive. Net proceeds from the tournament will be donated to Mid-Missouri Legal Services, which plans to use the funds for its Veterans Law Project.

The tournament is a four-person scramble format, open to both lawyers and non-lawyers. The entry fee is \$125/person and \$500/team, which includes green fees, range privileges, cart, lunch, and beverages (beer, soda, water), etc. Prizes will be awarded to winning teams and for various on-course games and contests. There will also be hole-in-one prizes.

To make the tournament a success and raise as much money as possible, sponsorships and prize donations for the tournament are needed. Please contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com to sign up, donate, participate, and arrange sponsorships. Check out the official flyer for additional information on playing and/or sponsoring the tournament.

The Committee would like to thank the following firms and businesses that have already committed to sponsor this year's tournament: **Presenting Sponsor: Lear Werts LLP; Ace**



Sponsor: Peak Sport & Spine; Eagle Sponsors: Rogers | Ehrhardt, Eng & Woods, McCausland, Barrett & Bartalos; Birdie Sponsors: The Bar Plan; Hospitality Sponsors: Truman's Bar & Grill, Lilly's Cantina, and Lexitas.

The golf tournament has raised \$181,902.80 for charity since its inception thanks to the many donors, participants, and sponsors.

New Local Court Rule 4.75 | Compliance with Supreme Court Rule C.O.R.2 and Security for Non-Criminal Cases



The 13th Circuit Court en Banc recently adopted local rule 4.75, which is as follows:

Parties must comply with C.O.R.2. Any party may file a motion to raise the security level of the case. The motion must state reasons for the request. Upon receipt the clerk will raise the security level of the case to a level 3 if it is not already set there or higher and then will send the motion to the assigned judge for further orders. The Judge shall make orders which may include but are not limited to: setting the motion for review; continuing the case at the level 3 setting; setting a date certain for when the case shall be dropped back to its original security level; determining if any filings need to be maintained at the higher security level if the case is to be lowered; or other appropriate orders.

Essentially this rule says that in a non-criminal case, any party may file a motion specifying the reason why the security level of the case should be raised, and it would automatically go to level 3 until the Judge is able to review and determine the proper next course of action.

Office of Legal Ethics Counsel Hiring Staff Counsel

The Office of Legal Ethics Counsel has an immediate opening for a full-time staff counsel to assist fellow Missouri lawyers by providing informal advisory opinions on the Missouri Rules of Professional Conduct both by phone and in writing. Other duties as assigned. Must be a Missouri lawyer in good standing with at least three years' experience preferred. Excellent communication, writing, and research skills required, as well as sound judgment. Legal ethics



background preferred, but not required. Training provided. This position is located in Jefferson City and currently includes partial remote work. Competitive benefits, including medical, dental, vision, paid vacation and sick leave. Salary range starting at \$80,000, commensurate with experience. Small office with a collegial work environment. To apply, submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, salary requirements, and three professional references to: Email: employment@mo-legal-ethics.org; Mail: Office of Legal Ethics Counsel, 3335 American Ave., Jefferson City, MO 65109; or Fax: 573-635-8806. Applications received by August 11th may be given preference, but applications may be considered until the position is filled. EOE Employer. Please note that this is not a State position. To learn more about this office, please visit www.mo-legal-ethics.org.

Office of Administration Hiring Legal Counsel



The Office of Administration, State of Missouri (OA) serves as the administrative and managerial arm of the State of Missouri government on behalf of the Governor's Office and is seeking legal counsel. The OA team provides a broad range of services to ensure that state government runs smoothly and efficiently including personnel administration and labor relations; contracting; information technology; facilities management, design and construc-

tion; budget and planning; accounting, and general services such as fleet vehicle management. OA also provides assistance as requested by the Governor's Office and the various programs and offices housed within OA. Due to the unique responsibility of OA, the legal counsel position will be able provide counsel on a wide variety of topics that have statewide impact on the administration of state government. Complete job description with duties and qualifications is available online.

The State of Missouri offers an excellent benefits package that includes a defined pension plan, generous amounts of leave and holiday time, and eligibility for health insurance coverage. The salary range is \$70,000-\$86,000 and the position is located in Jefferson City.

Submit your employment application, resume, cover letter, transcripts, a writing sample to OA.Legalsection@oa.mo.gov.

Save the Date: Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic on September 29

The annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic is set for Friday, September 29, 2023 at Twin Lakes Recreation Area beginning at 5:00 p.m. Smoked prime rib, bratwurst, hot dogs and traditional sides are on the menu. BCBA members and their immediate families are invited for no charge. Please RSVP by emailing your name and the number in your party to **Mark Lang-**



worthy, marklangworthy@live.com, no later than September 22.

The Picnic Committee is also looking for more people. If you would like to help, please email Mark to volunteer. The proposed slate of BCBA officers for 2024 will be voted on at the picnic.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Woodrail Centre 1000 West Nifong Building 7, Suite 100 Columbia, MO 65203

Phone: 573-777-9977 Fax: 573-777-9976

Website:

www.publicdefender.mo.gov

Email:

human.resources@mspd.mo.gov



MISSOURI STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

TRIAL ATTORNEY/ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER

<u>Basic Function</u>: Provide legal representation to indigent clients charged with criminal offenses facing the possibility of incarceration

<u>Job Duties</u>: Duties to include pre-trial and trial preparation; litigating all aspects of the case through disposition at the trial court level; promoting and protecting the best interest of the client at all times; maintaining client contact by telephone, appointments, or institutional visits; keeping client apprised of investigations, negotiations, and court rulings; appearing at regularly scheduled court dockets and all appearances concerning assigned caseload; drafting motions and pleadings.

<u>Qualifications</u>: Must be a current member of the Missouri Bar or eligible for bar licensure in Missouri

Geographic Locations: Visit website at www.publicdefender.mo.gov for weekly update of position vacancies.

Current Openings:

Ava Kansas City Bolivar Kennett Carthage Lebanon Chillicothe Moberly Clayton Nevada Columbia Poplar Bluff Farmington Rolla Fulton Sedalia Hannibal Springfield Harrisonville St. Joseph Jackson (Cape Troy West Plains Girardeau)

Jefferson City

MSPD is always seeking to hire motivated, client centered attorneys to work in hard to fill jurisdictions within the state. Contact Gina Hall, Human Resources Manager, at 573-777-9977 if you are interested in learning more about rural placement opportunities.

<u>Salary/Benefits</u>: Starting salary is \$60,000. After one year, an APD is eligible for salary increase to \$65,000. Eligible for full state benefits including health, life, and long-term disability insurance, retirement plan, paid holidays, vacation, sick leave, CLE training, and payment of bar dues.

To Apply: An Application for Employment must be submitted to be considered for opening(s) and will be accepted until the position has been filled, unless otherwise noted above. Applicants may also provide a resume, cover letter, and writing sample. Applications can be obtained at any Public Defender office, via website at publicdefender.mo.gov or by calling (573) 777-9977, ext. 202.

Send completed applications by mail, fax, or email to:

Missouri State Public Defender Attn: Human Resources Woodrail Centre

1000 W. Nifong, Bldg. 7, Suite 100

Columbia, MO 65203 Fax: 573-777-9976

Email: human.resources@mspd.mo.gov

Missouri State Public Defender is an equal opportunity employer. We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.

June 2023 Treasurer's Report

Submitted by:	Matthew R. Quetso	h	
For Period Ending:	6/30/2023		
Account Balance as of 5/31/2023		\$19,855.35	
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Receipts 5/31/2023 to 6/30/2023			
Bar luncheon		\$592.00	
Total Receipts		\$592.00	
Expenses 5/31/2023 to 6/30/2023			
Bank service charge		\$-3.15	
Red Weir 71567 (2022 Distinguished Professional and		\$-262.80	
Red Weir 71568 (President's Award)		\$-198.67	
Total Expenses		\$-464.62	
Ending Balance as of 6/30/2023		\$19,982.73	

July 2023 Treasurer's Report

Matthew R. Quetso	Matthew R. Quetsch	
7/31/2023	7/31/2023	
Account Balance as of 6/30/2023		
6/30/2023 to 7/31/2023		
Bar luncheon		
Dues		
Total Receipts		
06/30/2023 to 7/31/2023	3	
BCBA meeting 06-14-2023		
BCBA meeting 07-12-2023		
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