

Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Election 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 Langworthy**, marklangworthy@live.com, no later than September 22.

If you would like to help with the picnic, please email Mark to volunteer. The following is the proposed slate of BCBA officers for 2024 that will be voted on at the picnic: President: **Jennifer Rodewald**, Vice President: **Emily Little**, Secretary: **Jordan Hudspeth**, 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**. Finally, the October meeting will feature **Presiding Judge Brouck Jacobs'** annual State of the Court Address.

In-House Counsel Panel Presented at August Meeting

The successful August meeting of the BCBA took place on Wednesday, August 9 at the Columbia Country Club. The panel was comprised of: Mark Menghini, University of Missouri General Counsel; Claire Owen, Columbia Insurance Group Vice President, Secretary & General Counsel; and, Steve Condon, Veterans United Home Loans Associate General Counsel.



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, Allen, Nelson & Wilson, P.C., The EquipmentShare Foundation, Van Matre Law Firm; Birdie Sponsors: The Bar Plan, Missouri Bar Young Lawyers Section Council, The Giving Branch; 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.



Employment Opportunities



Job Description – Renew Missouri Staff Attorney

Job Summary

This full-time position (part-time negotiable) is responsible for managing the legal and regulatory efforts of the organization through the relevant state administrative agencies, the courts, regional transmission entities, and the Missouri General Assembly in order to maximize development of energy efficiency and renewable energy in Missouri. The position reports to the Executive Director.

Primary Responsibilities

- Represent Renew Missouri's interest before the state administrative agencies, with a specific focus on utility cases before the Public Service Commission (PSC) including: general rate cases, rulemaking dockets, integrated resource plans, workshops, and other proceedings as deemed necessary;
- Represent Renew Missouri before the Missouri Courts in matters relevant to our mission as well as matters involving internal legal matters if necessary;
- Represent Renew Missouri with advocacy efforts involving regional transmission groups;
- Assist the Executive Director and contract lobbyist with researching and tracking relevant legislation at the state and federal level. This will also require drafting written testimony and provide oral testimony if needed;
- Provide legal assistance and counsel involving questions brought forward by industry leaders and the public, including, but not limited to: matters involving clean energy, zoning, public records, and utility management;
- Assist with organization and facilitation of clean energy stakeholder coalitions, focusing on a broad impact in the regulatory and legislative arenas;
- Assist Executive Director with the legal protection and maintenance of Renew Missouri as a non-profit corporation in good standing both statewide and nationally.

Job Qualifications

- Must be licensed to practice law in Missouri;
- Experience in administrative law, regulatory affairs, legislative affairs, employment law, and advocacy in Missouri strongly preferred;
- Litigation and corporate governance preferred; and
- Preference for candidates to work from the Columbia office; regular travel to Jefferson City may be required and may occur outside of normal business hours.

Salary and Benefits

- The position is full-time, salaried position located in the Columbia, Missouri offices.
- Salary starts \$55,000 per year but may be adjusted commensurate with experience.
- Medical benefits (health, vision & dental) within 30 days of employment.
- Paid vacation, holidays, & sick leave, and support for professional expenses.

To Apply

For immediate consideration, send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample with subject line "Staff Attorney" to: james@renewmo.org. Applications received until position is filled.



The Office of Administration, State of Missouri (OA) is hiring for two legal counsel positions. The 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 construction; 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-\$90,000. There are two positions available:

One position focuses on representing and advising the division of facilities management, design and construction (OA-FMDC) in various areas including design/build, engineering, and construction contracts; drafting deeds, leases and similar documents; statutory and regulatory compliance; real estate transactions and leasing; and managing lawsuits involving the division handled by the Attorney General's Office. Other responsibilities may include service on various committees; policy development and review; and advising on personnel matters, labor relations, state purchasing, state budget law, and information technology-related legal issues.

The second position focuses on advising regarding labor relations including negotiation of union contracts; human resources issues; and state personnel administration. This position may also assist with other legal work on a variety of topics including those listed above.

Both positions will work collaboratively with the OA legal team, division directors, and department leadership to provide advice, representation for other OA divisions and offices, and perform other responsibilities as assigned by the General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel.

Submit your employment application, resume, cover letter, transcripts, a writing sample to OA.Legalsection@oa.mo.gov. More information about the job postings is available at: <https://mocareers.mo.gov/hiretrue/ce3/job-board/5effe9b2-4b89-494b-ac76-c45e25190768/b2f0d0e7-4c28-4ef9-be70-2fca700dbe79?jb=true>.





**13th CIRCUIT
FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER**

Announcement Date: September 8, 2023

Office: 13th Circuit, Judges Office
705 E. Walnut
Columbia, MO 65201

Title: Family Court Commissioner

Salary: \$156,214.00

Contact: Barbie Oeth
Phone: 573-886-4056

Start Date: March 1, 2024

Applications Accepted Through: 5 p.m., September 29, 2023

The 13th Judicial Circuit Court is receiving resumes for consideration of appointment as Family Court Commissioner. Appointment will be made by the Court en Banc for a four-year term. The Family Court Commissioner shall devote full time to the duties of commissioner and shall not engage in the private practice of law.

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

The Family Court Commissioner shall hear and determine contested and uncontested cases subject to the jurisdiction of the Family Court. The commissioner will primarily preside over dissolutions, motions to modify, and paternity cases. The commissioner upon appointment, must have completed, or within six months after appointment, complete a course of training in Family Law with annual continuing education being offered through the judicial college.

QUALIFICATIONS:

The Family Court Commissioner shall possess the same qualifications as a circuit judge as set forth in Article 5, Section 21 of the Missouri Constitution. The qualification, jurisdiction, term of office, and compensation for the position shall be those found in RSMo §§ 487.020, 487.050 and 487.080, including being a resident of the 13th Circuit at the time of appointment.

Send resume and letter of interest to: Barbie Oeth, Administrative Assistant to the Court Administrator, Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut, Columbia, MO 65201; or to Barbara.Oeth@courts.mo.gov. The 13th Circuit is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Office of State Courts Administrator is hiring a full time Contract Supervisor and Associate Legal Counsel with a starting salary of \$72,223. A career with the Office of State Courts Administrator will provide you the opportunity to work with a variety of exceptional, hardworking people and gain valuable work experiences. It takes many types of talent to advance the mission of the Missouri Judiciary and keep operations running smoothly. We have opportunities for individuals seeking meaningful work in providing administrative, business and information technology services to the Missouri courts.



We are recruiting to fill a Contracts Supervisor/Associate Legal Counsel position to perform responsible professional work researching and analyzing a wide range of court related matters and providing technical and administrative assistance to judges and court clerks in order to improve the administration and operation of the courts. Work involves conducting legal research on a variety of case processing and administrative topics, reviewing legal content of internal matters such as contracts and reports, and coordinates the administration of contracts and cooperative agreements both internally and externally.

Desired skills and knowledge:

- Considerable knowledge of general law, state laws, established precedent, and sources of legal references.
- Considerable knowledge of court procedures and rules of evidence.
- Considerable knowledge of the state and federal fiscal and appropriation process.
- Considerable knowledge of state and federal laws, rules and regulations governing procurement.
- Ability to analyze and organize facts, evidence and precedents, and to prepare written opinions.

Minimum qualifications: Juris Doctorate and 2 years of professional legal experience. Current license to practice law in the State of Missouri.

For more information, please visit: <https://mocareers.mo.gov/hiretrue/ce3/job-board/5effe9b2-4b89-494b-ac76-c45e25190768/b2f0d0e7-4c28-4ef9-be70-2fca700dbe79?jb=true>

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and have a strong commitment to diversity in all its forms. We are particularly interested in receiving applications from a broad spectrum of qualified people who will assist us in demonstrating our essential values of excellence, integrity, justice, stewardship, teamwork and partnership.

August 2023 Treasurer's Report

Submitted by:	Matthew R. Quetsch
For Period Ending:	08/31/2023
Account Balance as of 07/31/2023	\$19,451.23
Receipts 07/31/2023 to 08/31/2023	
Bar luncheon	\$608.00
Total Receipts	\$608.00
Expenses 07/31/2023 to 08/31/2023	
BCBA meeting 08-09-23	\$-672.00
MayeCreate Design Invoice No. 33736	\$-750.00
MayeCreate Design Invoice No. 33735	\$-4,730.00
Total Expenses	\$-6,152.00
Ending Balance as of 08/31/2023	\$13,907.23

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