

Judge Jacobs to Present State of the Court Address on October 11



The October meeting of the BCBA will be held on Wednesday, October 11 at the Columbia Country Club and will feature the State of the Court Address from **Presiding Judge Brouck Jacobs**. Meal service will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the presentation to begin around noon. The cost is \$16 per person and can be paid at the door. Make checks payable to the "Boone County Bar Association." This event has been approved for 1.2 hours of CLE. Please RSVP to attend this meeting by 3:00 p.m. Monday, October 9 by clicking the RSVP button on the BCBA's website or at <http://boonecountybar.org/rsvp>.

Jessica Caldera Given Lon O. Hocker Award, Named "Up and Coming" Lawyer

Jessica Caldera received the Lon O. Hocker award from the Missouri Bar Foundation at the Missouri Bar Annual Meeting in Kansas City. The Lon O. Hocker Trial Lawyer Award is given to three trial lawyers under the age of 40 who demonstrate balance between zealousness and honor, strength and courtesy, confidence and respect, as well as other professional qualities. The lawyers are selected from three different regions: St. Louis, Kansas City, and the remainder of the State. Caldera is the first Boone County attorney since BCBA member and current BCBA Secretary **Emily Little** received the award in 2011 and she is only the fourth Columbia attorney to receive the award.



Caldera was also recently named an "Up and Coming" lawyer by Missouri Lawyers Media, which recognizes early-career lawyers who demonstrate professional excellence while making a positive impact on their profession and communities.

Caldera is a partner at Harper, Evans, Wade and Netemeyer. She received her J.D. from the Indiana University School of Law and was admitted to The Missouri Bar in 2011.

Kevin O'Brien Honored with Defender of Distinction Award

In conjunction with The Missouri Bar's Annual Meeting, the Missouri Public Defender Commission selects a lawyer who exemplifies the ideals of public defense to receive a Defender of Distinction award.

This year's honoree was Columbia attorney **Kevin O'Brien**, who is the district defender in the Missouri State Public Defender's Boone County Trial Office.

O'Brien works to ensure that his clients have access to quality legal representation, regardless of financial status in the Boone County area and beyond.

"I enjoy and am passionate about fighting for my clients' rights in trial," O'Brien said. "I think the right to trial by a jury of one's peers is the foundation of American justice."

O'Brien added that receiving the Defender of Distinction Awards is the greatest honor of his career as he knows several past recipients and is humbled to be included in that group of professionals.

O'Brien began his career as a public defender after graduating from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law in 1998.



Missouri Bar Honors 2023 Senior Counselors

Congratulations to the latest group of “Senior Counselors” honored at the 2023 Missouri Bar Annual Meeting in Kansas City. To receive the honor of “Senior Counselor,” a lawyer must reach the age of 75 or have been admitted to The Missouri Bar for 50 years. This year’s honorees include Boone County attorneys: **Elton Fay, Mallory V. Mayse, Truman Allen, and Steve W. Van Matre.**



Elton Fay (center) with Missouri Supreme Court Chief Justice Mary Russell (left) and Missouri Bar President Lauren Tucker McCubbin (right).



Mallory V. Mayse



Truman Allen

Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic Held September 29; 2024 BCBA Officers Elected

The 2024 Officers were elected at the annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic, and are as follows: 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**. The BCBA thanks the nominating committee of **Merilee Crockett**, **Steve Scott**, **José Caldera**, and **Kirsten Dunham** for their service.



Picnic (Continued)



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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 takes place Monday at Columbia Country Club. 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 golf tournament has raised \$181,902.80 for charity since its inception thanks to the many donors, participants, and sponsors.

The following firms and businesses have sponsored this year's tournament: **Presenting Sponsor:** Lear Werts LLP;

Ace Sponsor: Peak Sport & Spine; **Eagle Sponsors:** Allen, Nelson & Wilson, P.C., Eng & Woods, Equipment Share Foundation, McCausland, Barrett & Bartalos, Rogers | Ehrhardt, Smith Lewis LLP, and Van Matre Law Firm; **Birdie Sponsors:** Missouri Bar Young Lawyers Section Council, The Bar Plan, and The Giving Branch; **Hospitality Sponsors:** Lexitas, Lilly's Cantina, and Truman's Bar & Grill.





BCBA Holiday Party set for December 13

This year's holiday party will take place on Wednesday, December 13, at the Country Club of Missouri, located at 1300 Woodrail Avenue. Keep an eye out for more details coming soon.

Anthony Alicea Named as 2023 BCBA Scholarship Winner

Congratulations are in order for Anthony Alicea of Harrisburg High School, who won the \$2,500 annual BCBA scholarship. Anthony will be attending State Fair Community College. The scholarship is given to one Boone County high school senior each year and is renewable for one additional year if certain grade requirements are met.



Barry Gilbert Joins Jones & Ueligger Law

Jones & Ueligger Law is proud to announce that effective September 1, 2023, Barry Gilbert joined the firm. Barry's practice focuses on family law, mediation, and appeals. His email is barry@jandulaw.com and phone is 573-874-1122.

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& MEDIATOR
ANNUAL TRAINING

**NOVEMBER
10
2023**

Boone County Courthouse.
In Person.
CLE credit.

Meets Circuit 13 requirements
for GALs and Mediators

Agenda & Registration to follow

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DATE**

Employment Opportunities

Litigation Associate | Columbia and St. Louis

McCausland, Barrett & Bartalos is seeking an attorney with two or more years of experience in civil litigation for its Columbia, Missouri office and to also provide assistance to its St. Louis, Missouri office as-needed. Active Missouri law license required. Please send cover letter and resume, via mail or e-mail to: McCausland, Barrett & Bartalos, 1000 West Nifong Blvd., Building 6, Suite 230A, Columbia, Missouri 65203. Email: aarends@mbblawfirmkc.com.



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Hiring Attorneys for Columbia and Springfield

Rogers | Ehrhardt is looking for a full-time attorney to join the Columbia, Missouri office, as well as a full-time attorney to join the Springfield, Missouri office. These attorneys would assist in various areas of civil defense litigation. The firm handles a wide variety of defense cases, including but not limited to

motor vehicle accidents, premises liability matters, and construction defect disputes. The ideal

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candidates will be comfortable researching and writing, handling motion hearings and depositions, and have a willingness to take on new matters. This position will provide a significant opportunity for career development. Must be licensed in Missouri. Compensation will be negotiable and commensurate with experience. To learn more about the position, or to submit a resume, please contact Glen Ehrhardt at gehrhardt@rogersehrhardt.com or Katie Johnson at kjohnson@rogersehrhardt.com.

September 2023 Treasurer's Report

Submitted by:	Matthew R. Quetsch
For Period Ending:	09/30/2023
Account Balance as of 08/31/2023	\$13,907.23
Receipts 08/31/2023 to 09/30/2023	
Dues	\$25.00
ACH STRIPE Transfer	\$6.70
Total Receipts	\$31.70
Expenses 08/31/2023 to 09/30/2023	
Reimbursement to Lear Werts for SOS filing fee	\$-20.65
Reimbursement to Rebecca Thompson for Exec. Comm. Mtg. 08-25-2023	\$-222.84
Total Expenses	\$-243.49
Ending Balance as of 09/30/2023	\$13.695.44

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New Local Court Rule 72.M: Public Access to Probate Records

1. Public Access to probate matters shall be in accordance with Supreme Court Operating Rule 2 and Section 509.520, RSMo.
2. Confidential Information to be Redacted. Pursuant to Court Operating Rule 2, the filer of a document shall redact all confidential information ("Confidential Information"). Court personnel will not review each case document to ensure compliance and will not refuse to accept a document on that basis.
 - a. Confidential Information contained within public probate case documents includes:
 - i. social security numbers; driver's license numbers; state identification numbers; taxpayer identification numbers;
 - ii. account numbers; credit or debit card numbers; personal identification numbers; passwords;
 - iii. case numbers of confidential, expunged, or sealed records;
 - iv. name, address, and date of birth of a minor and, if applicable, any next friend, unless the minor is a proposed ward/protectee, heir/devisee, or other interested party;
 - v. any witness information including name, address, and other contact information of the witness; and
 - vi. any other information that is required to be redacted pursuant to state statute or court rule.
 - b. The filer of a document is not required to redact Confidential Information from confidential case records or confidential documents identified below in Rule 72M.3-72M.4 because said documents are not available for public access.
3. Confidential Records. Confidential Records, as set forth in Supreme Court Operating Rule 4.24, shall remain inaccessible to the general public.
4. Confidential Documents. Confidential Documents, as set forth by the State Judicial Records Committee and/or as designated below in subparagraphs (i)-(vii), shall remain inaccessible to the general public.

Confidential Documents in probate cases shall include:

 - i. inventories, annual and final settlements, statements of account, account statements, vouchers, verifications, and agreements of depositories;
 - ii. any financial "Exhibit A" document from local court forms containing account numbers and/or financial account information that is filed in a guardianship and/or conservatorship case, refusal, small estate or petition for determination of heirship action;
 - iii. medical records, medical letters, medical affidavits, medical interrogatories or other correspondence from a physician or healthcare provider that contains a person's medical information; treatment plans, mental status evaluations; and guardianship and conservatorship personal status reports;
 - iv. copies of personal income tax documentation that may have been requested in order to establish a standard of living for the purpose of a spousal refusal or spousal allowance;
 - v. Motions to Proceed in Forma Pauperis and any accompanying documentation;
 - vi. Criminal History Background Checks, Credit History Reports, and Missouri Caregiver Screening Reports; and
 - vii. copies of documents from other confidential, expunged, or sealed records.
5. Court Order. Confidential Records and Confidential Documents, as set forth above, shall not be produced to individuals other than parties or counsel of record without a court order.