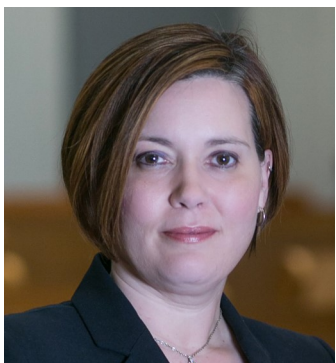


Judge Morell to Present CLE on Redaction at BCBA Lunch



The November meeting of the BCBA will be held on Wednesday, November 8 at the Columbia Country Club and will feature a presentation on redaction from **Judge Stephanie Morrell**. It will also include a panel comprised of Judge Morrell, **Commissioner Sara Miller**, **Myia McKenna**, and Circuit Clerk Sherry Terrell. Submit questions to Jennifer Rodewald (jrodewald@shelterinsurance.com) by Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. 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." Please RSVP to attend this meeting by 3:00 p.m. Monday, November 6 by clicking the [RSVP button](#) on the BCBA's website.

Gretchen Yancey Appointed Family Court Commissioner

On October 19, the 13th Judicial Circuit Court en Banc unanimously voted to appoint **Gretchen Yancey** as Family Court Commissioner. Yancey, currently a partner at Van Matre Law Firm, P.C., will begin her appointment on March 1, 2024. This appointment is due to the retirement of **Commissioner Sara Miller**, who served for 29 years.

"We are pleased to appoint Gretchen Yancey as our next Family Court Commissioner and we are confident that she will fairly and faithfully uphold the standards of our circuit," said **Circuit Judge Jeff Harris**, who chaired the subcommittee that reviewed applicants.



The Family Court Commissioner primarily presides over dissolutions, motions to modify, and paternity cases. Yancey has over twenty years of experience in family law litigation and mediation. Yancey graduated from Drury University in 1998 with a double-major in English Literature and Speech Communication, and earned her juris doctor degree in 2000 from University of Missouri. Yancey is a Board Member of the Missouri Bar Association Family Law Committee, and served as President of the Boone County Bar Association in 2021.

BCBA Holiday Party set for December 13

The BCBA Holiday Party will be on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Country Club of Missouri, 1300 Woodrail Avenue, for BCBA members and their spouses/ significant others. Additional information regarding cost and a link to RSVP will be sent out soon



Judge Mark Pfeiffer Named President of the Council of Chief Judges of the State Courts of Appeal

Judge Mark Pfeiffer of the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, has been named president of the Council of Chief Judges of the State Courts of Appeal (CCJSCA). His one-year term began October 27 during the CCJSCA Annual Conference in Charleston, South Carolina.



Judge Pfeiffer will serve CCJSCA alongside the following: President-Elect: Judge Frankie Moore, Nebraska Court of Appeals; Vice President: Chief Justice Mark Green, Massachusetts Appeals Court; Secretary-Treasurer: Chief Judge John Guidry, Louisiana Court of Appeal, First Circuit. Formed in 1980, CCJSCA is committed to providing consultation and education for leaders of the state intermediate appellate courts. The conference works toward improving the administration of justice by sharing ideas and best practices, learning about effective programs, and examining ways to promote efficiency and fiscal responsibility in appellate courts.

Katherine Johnson Named “Up & Coming” Lawyer

Katherine Johnson received the 2023 Up & Coming Award from Missouri Lawyers Media, recognizing young attorneys making a positive difference in the practice of law and whose outstanding contributions have them on the track to success. Johnson is a principal attorney at Rogers | Ehrhardt and has been with them since she was a 1L clerk in 2015. She received her J.D. from the University of Missouri.



Chris Dunn, Ben Faber, Dale Roberts Receive Pro Bono Awards

Chris Dunn, Ben Faber, and Hon. Dale Roberts were recently honored with The Missouri Bar’s 2023 Pro Bono Awards for their commitment to serving their communities and dedication to ensuring equal access to legal services for all. Chris Dunn and Dale Roberts are co-founders of the pro-bono Veterans Will Clinic. The clinic has served over 100 veterans since 2021. Ben Faber is the staff defense counsel for the Veterans Treatment Court in Boone County. He also assists indigent individuals in child support, DWI courts, and with obtaining a driver’s license.



Chris Dunn



Dale Roberts



Ben Faber

Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, to sit at University of Missouri School of Law and Westminster College in Fulton

The Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, is scheduled to convene court Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at the University of Missouri School of Law. The arguments will be held at Hulston Hall on campus. Beginning at 1:30 p.m., a three-judge panel consisting of Chief Judge Gary Witt, Judge Alok Ahuja and **Judge Mark Pfeiffer** will hear oral arguments in four cases on the docket. After the oral arguments, the judges will take time to discuss the court system, explain the proceedings and take general questions from the audience. Witt will preside over the proceedings. Witt was appointed to the Western District in 2010. Prior to his appointment, he served as an associate circuit judge in Platte County. Ahuja joined the Western District in 2007. Previously, he practiced law in Washington, D.C., and Kansas City. Pfeiffer was appointed to the Western District in 2009. Before his appointment to the judiciary, he practiced law in Springfield and Columbia. The court regularly convenes court in Kansas City. For more than 25 years, however, the court has held dockets in several of the 45 counties in the court's jurisdiction, which includes all of northwest Missouri and most of central Missouri. The court convenes oral arguments outside of Kansas City to give individuals an opportunity to observe a part of the judicial system they normally do not see and to familiarize those attending with the court's role in the judicial system.

And the court will convene on Thursday, November 9 at 9:00 a.m. at Westminster College in Fulton. The arguments will be held in the Hermann Lounge at the Hunter Activity Center on campus. The three-judge panel will consist of **Judge Mark Pfeiffer**, Judge Alok Ahuja, and Judge Thomas Chapman and will hear four cases. Pfeiffer will preside over the proceedings at Westminster. Chapman was appointed to the court in 2018. Immediately prior to his appointment, he served as a circuit judge for the 43rd Judicial Circuit for more than seven years and he is a 1988 graduate of Westminster College.

13th Circuit GAL and Mediation Training on November 10

The annual Circuit 13 GAL & Mediation Training will be next Friday, November 10 (Veteran's Day) at the Boone County Courthouse. There is a great lineup of speakers and topics for this year. 6 hours of CLE credit from the Missouri Bar is anticipated. This training will satisfy the Guardian ad Litem standards approved by the 13th Circuit Court en Banc, and the three hours of the required mediation training as required by Local Court Rule 68.16(C) every two years. The current agenda and registration are included at the end of the newsletter. Email the registration page to derek.hux@courts.mo.gov by end of day November 8 to be sure your lunch order is included. Each person attending needs to send in their own registration page. The fee to attend is \$30. Checks need to be payable to "Family Services & Justice Fund". Attendees are welcome to bring a check the day of the event if that is more convenient than mailing or dropping it off at the Boone Courthouse.

BCBA's 16th Annual Chipping in for Charity Golf Tournament Presented by Lear Werts Raised Over \$19,000 for Charity

The 16th Annual Chipping in for Charity Golf Tournament held on October 9th at Columbia Country Club was a fun event and a resounding success. The tournament raised \$19,012.33 for Mid-Missouri Legal Services' Veterans Law Project, which provides pro bono legal services for low income veterans in our community. The tournament has now raised a total of \$200,915.13 for charity since its inception.



Golf Tournament (Continued)

Congratulations to the Wulff Law Group team consisting of attorney Alex Wulff and friends for winning Championship Flight this year by shooting an impressive seventeen under par score of 54. Other winners were: A Flight – Lear Werts LLP team of **Sander Sowers**, **Bill Ellis**, Mike Pitts, and Dave Samorian with a score of 60; B Flight – Equipment Share Foundation team with a score of 64; C Flight – **Steve Richey** and friends team with a score of 65; D Flight – **Hon. Gary Oxenhandler/ Josh Oxenhandler** team with a score of 68; and, E Flight – Peak Sport & Spine team with a score of 74. Congratulations are also in order for the Mid-Missouri Legal Services team for winning the consolation prize for last place/ highest score (but probably most fun had!) in the tournament which is among the more coveted prizes given away at the tournament – they shot 86, which is 11 shots better than in 2022!

The **Hon. Kevin Crane** sank the longest putt on hole 9 to win a new golf club and **Mike Holder** won the putting contest for a \$100 gift card to Truman's Bar & Grill. Additional prize were awarded for closest-to-the-pin on each of the par 3s and longest drive on the first hole.



Golf Tournament (Continued)



Golf Tournament (Continued)

The BCBA Community Involvement Committee would like to thank all of the generous sponsors, participants, and volunteers who helped make this year's tournament a success. The Committee would like to thank the following sponsors that were especially significant contributors to the tournament: Presenting Sponsor: Lear Werts LLP; Ace Sponsor: Peak Sport & Spine; Eagle Sponsors: Allen, Nelson & Wilson, Eng & Woods, Equipment Share Foundation, McCausland, Barrett & Bartalos, P.C., Rogers | Ehrhardt, Smith Lewis LLP, and Van Matre Law Firm; Birdie Sponsors: Missouri Bar Young Lawyers Section Council, The Giving Branch, and The Bar Plan; Hospitality Sponsors: Truman's Bar & Grill, Lilly's Cantina, and Lexitas; Photography Sponsor: COMO Creative Photo; Donors: Jayne A. Pearman LC and Boone Electric Cooperative.

SAVE THE DATE FOR NEXT YEAR! The 2024 tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 14th.



BCBA Annual Awards - Make Nominations by November 15

The executive committee of the BCBA is seeking nominations for the annual Distinguished Professional and Outstanding Service awards.

The Distinguished Professional Award is given to a BCBA member in practice 15 or more years who exemplifies the highest legal and ethical standards to which all legal professionals should strive. The Distinguished Professional Award has previously been presented to:

- 2015: **Tom Schneider** of Jones, Schneider & Stevens
- 2016: **Betty Wilson** of Oliver Walker Wilson
- 2017: **Hamp Ford** of Ford, Parshall & Baker and
Herbert Willbrand of Brown Willbrand P.C.
- 2018: **Marvin E. “Bunky” Wright** who was Counsel Emeritus for Univ. of Missouri
- 2019: **Skip Walther** of Walther, Antel & Stamper.
- 2020: **Wally Bley** of Bley Evans, LC.
- 2021: **Elton Fay** of Grimes, Fay & Kopp and
Gary Stamper of Walther Antel & Stamper
- 2022: **Bruce Beckett** of Smith Lewis, LLP

The Outstanding Service Award is given to a BCBA member who has made significant contributions to the benefit of the legal profession, the justice system, and/or our community. The Outstanding Service Award has previously been presented to:

- 2015: **Sander Sowers** of Lear Werts LLP
- 2016: **George Batek** of Batek and Benson, LLC and
Norm Lampton of the Lampton Law Firm
- 2017: **Rusty Antel** of Walther, Antel & Stamper and
Glen Ehrhardt of Rogers | Ehrhardt
- 2018: **Steve Scott** of Scott Law Firm, P.C.
- 2019: **Dave Knight** of Dave Knight Law Offices
- 2020: **John L. Whiteside**, Esq.
- 2021: **Angela Peterson** of Columbia Family Law Group
- 2022: **Daniel Knight**, Boone County Prosecuting Attorney

Nominations should be emailed to Jennifer Rodewald (Jennifer.A.Rodewald@gmail.com) or Becky Thompson (Rebecca.thompson@como.gov) by no later than November 15, 2023 so the awards can be prepared in time for the holiday party.

Christine Stamper Competed in World Championship Triathlon

Christine Stamper was one of 2,100 female athletes from 73 countries to compete in the women's 2023 VinFast IRONMAN World Championship triathlon on October 14, 2023 in Hawaii.

For the first time in the event's 40-plus year history, the spotlight shone exclusively on female triathletes. The race began in the crystal-clear waters of Kailua Bay for 2.4 miles before heading out on the 112-mile bike course, renowned for its long-sustained climbs, strong crosswinds, and exposed terrain with lava fields on one side and the ocean coastline on the other. The final leg of the race was a 26.2-mile run, an out-and-back that took athletes onto the Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway before returning to the finish line on Ali'I Drive.

Athletes must complete the course within 17 hours and the stroke of midnight. Christine's finishing time was 15:05:00."



Employment Opportunities

Assistant Director of CLE | Jefferson City

The Missouri Bar seeks an assistant director to assist in managing a team to develop, coordinate, and market continuing legal education publications, programs, and conferences through various delivery methods to improve Missouri lawyers' knowledge of the law and to assist them in fulfilling their minimum continuing legal education requirements. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree in business or a related field. A law degree is preferred. Program management and team management experience is desirable. Experience in planning adult continuing education programs is helpful. Position is located in Jefferson City. Some travel required. Hybrid remote work schedule (three days per week in office in Jefferson City, two days remote) and excellent benefits. Compensation commensurate with experience. Please send cover letter, resume, and salary requirements via email to hrdept@mobar.org.



Learning Management System specialist | Jefferson City

The Missouri Bar seeks a specialist to manage and customize the learning platform, create and upload course content, create and deliver education and training programs, track the progress and performance of such educational programs, and provide users with technical assistance and training. Bachelor's degree or two-year degree plus two years of job-related experience. Experience with CE21 a plus. Position is located in Jefferson City. Some travel required. Hybrid remote work schedule and excellent benefits. Compensation commensurate with experience. Apply by sending cover letter, resume, and salary requirements to hrdept@mobar.org.

Missouri State Public Defender | Jefferson City

The Missouri State Public Defender System is accepting applications for a District Defender in the Jefferson City Office. This eleven-attorney office handles cases in Cole, Miller, and Moniteau counties. In addition to caseload responsibilities, as the managing attorney for the office, the District Defender



is responsible for case assignments, monitoring of employee performance, hiring and development and implementation of office policies. Must be a member of the Missouri Bar and have criminal law experience. Management experience preferred. 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. Salary is \$8,740/month. An Application for Employment must be completed to be considered for opening. Applicants may also provide a resume, cover letter, and/or writing sample. Applications can be obtained at any Public Defender office, at publicdefender.mo.gov or by calling (573) 777-9977, ext. 202. Applications MUST be received in Human Resources no later than Nov. 15, 2023.

Employment Opportunities (Continued)

Office of Legal Ethics Counsel and Advisory Committee of the Supreme Court of Missouri Hiring Staff Counsel

The Office of Legal Ethics Counsel is seeking a full-time staff counsel to assist fellow Missouri lawyers by providing informal advisory opinions about lawyers' prospective conduct under the Missouri Rules of Professional Conduct. Pursuant to [Rule 5.30\(c\)](#), the Legal Ethics Counsel, on behalf of the Advisory Committee, may provide informal advisory opinions interpreting Missouri Supreme Court [Rules 4, 5, and 6](#) in response to telephone and written ethics questions from lawyers. The primary role of the staff counsel is to answer these ethics questions, and the ideal candidate must have excellent communication, writing, and research skills, as well as sound judgment, to ensure that each ethics inquiry is handled consistently and professionally. A keen interest in listening, asking questions as appropriate, researching, and problem solving is required for this position. The staff counsel position reports to the Legal Ethics Counsel and works closely with the Legal Ethics Counsel to ensure consistency and professionalism. Other duties as assigned and as time permits may include assisting in developing ethics educational information for lawyers such as CLE programs, website resource pages, articles, or assisting the Legal Ethics Counsel with other responsibilities of this office pursuant to [Rules 4, 5, and 6](#).

Applicant must be a Missouri lawyer in good standing with at least three years' legal experience preferred. Excellent communication, writing, and research skills required, as well as sound judgment. Reasonable working proficiency in Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook, and Adobe Acrobat Pro DC. The ideal candidate will be organized and able to manage time and priorities. Practice experience with the Rules of Professional Conduct, professional responsibility, or a background in legal ethics preferred, but not required. Training provided, as well as opportunities to attend relevant conferences. The position is located in Jefferson City and currently has the opportunity for partial remote. The position offers competitive benefits, including medical, dental, vision, paid vacation and sick leave, and retirement. Salary range starting at \$80,000, commensurate with experience. This office is open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and observes all Missouri Court holidays. This is not a position with the State of Missouri. Additional information regarding the work of this office may be found at www.mo-legal-ethics.org.

To apply, submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, salary requirements, and three professional references to:

E-mail: employment@mo-legal-ethics.org

Mail: Office of Legal Ethics Counsel

3335 American Avenue

Jefferson City, MO 65109

Fax: 573-635-8806

Applications received by November 30, 2023, will be given preference, but applications will be considered until the position is filled. EOE Employer.

Presiding Judge Brouck Jacobs Delivered State of the Court Address Last Month

At the October 11 meeting of the BCBA, **Presiding Judge Brouck Jacobs** delivered the State of the Court Address for the 13th Circuit Court. An item of note was that in 2022 the Missouri Supreme Court awarded the 13th Circuit with the Daniel J. O'Toole Award. Named for the late judge who first chaired the state's Time Standards Monitoring Committee, the O'Toole Award recognizes a circuit court's excellence in service and delivering timely justice to the public. The 13th Circuit had an average clearance rate of approximately 101.6 percent, meaning it closed more cases in fiscal 2022 than were filed during the same time frame. This was the first time the 13th circuit received the O'Toole Award.



Helen Wade Joins Evans & Dixon, LLC



The Law Firm of Evans & Dixon, LLC is thrilled to announce the newest addition to their legal team, **Helen Wade**. With an outstanding track record and a deep commitment to providing exceptional legal services, Wade brings a wealth of experience to the firm. Wade is an experienced domestic relations attorney handling dissolution of marriage cases with a focus on high-net-worth, complex asset, and high-profile/high-conflict cases, select paternity cases, modifications of prior child custody, child support, maintenance, or paternity judgments, stipulated or court-appointed dispute resolution and special master services, and select appellate cases. Wade may be reached at hwade@evans-dixon.com or 573-607-1013.

New Members:

Robin Winn, Winn Law Firm, 500 E. Walnut, Ste. 102, Columbia, MO, 65203. Phone: 844-937-9466, Fax: 573-314-4155, winnerscircle@thewinnlawfirm.com, www.thewinnlawfirm.com. Ms. Winn practices plaintiff's civil litigation, criminal defense, and family law.

Lori Hickerson, Department of Social Services, Legal Division, 10035 E. Hwy. AB, Columbia, MO, 6520. Phone: 573-489-6003, lorilhickerson@gmail.com. Ms. Hickerson practices administrative law, plaintiff's civil litigation, employment and labor law, family law, government, probate, trust and estate planning, and juvenile law.

MU Law School Seeks Sponsorships

The law school provides resources to help students remain mentally and physically healthy during the year. During the two weeks of finals, the school likes to provide healthy snacks. The school is also interested in providing more of a true breakfast on "Stop Day" which is December 4. Those interested sponsoring these events may contact Sarah Reesman, Director of Public Interest and JD Advantage Careers, at reesmans@missouri.edu.

October 2023 Treasurer's Report

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2023 ADVANCED GUARDIAN AD LITEM AND MEDIATION TRAINING

*Sponsored by 13th Circuit Family Court
& Boone County Bar Family Court Committee*

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- ❖ We anticipate 6.0 hours CLE credit for this event from the Missouri Bar.
 - ❖ This training will satisfy the Guardian ad Litem standards approved by the 13th Circuit Court en Banc, and the three hours of the required mediation training as required by Local Court Rule 68.16(C) every two years.
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WHERE: Jury Assembly Room
Boone County Courthouse
705 E. Walnut Street, Columbia MO 65201

WHEN: Friday, November 10, 2023 (Veteran's Day)

QUICK AGENDA:

8:30AM - 8:55AM	ARRIVE / CHECK-IN / CHAT
8:55AM - 9:00AM	WELCOME / OPENING REMARKS
9:00AM - 10:15AM	RESIST-REFUSE DYNAMICS Ada Gallup & Sue Myers
10:30AM - 11:45AM	JUVENILE LAW UPDATE Ellen Haynes
11:45AM - 12:30PM	LUNCH
12:30PM - 1:20PM	SQUARE PEG ROUND HOLE: A PEP TALK FOR GALS Judge Sue Crane
1:30PM - 2:45PM	WORKING WITH COMMON MENTAL HEALTH DIAGNOSES Dr. Patricia Carter
3:00PM - 3:50PM	LET'S TALK COR 2 & REMOTE ACCESS Commissioner Sara Miller, Sherry Terrell, & Beth Clark
3:50PM - 4:00PM	CLOSING REMARKS / DISMISSAL



Yes, I plan to attend the Guardian ad Litem & Mediator Training at the Boone County Courthouse on November 10, 2023.

We anticipate 6.0 hours CLE credit.

Each attendee should submit their own registration sheet:

Name: _____ **Firm/Organization:** _____

Phone: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Bar #: _____ **Printed Materials?** ☐ Yes ☐ No, PDF only

Please email a copy of your registration form to derek.hux@courts.mo.gov asap.

Registration Fee - \$30.00

Please make checks payable to "Family Services & Justice Fund".

Please drop off your check at the Judges Offices, 2nd Floor, Boone County Courthouse, or
mail to: Court Administration, 705 East Walnut, Columbia, MO 65201

YOUR REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES LUNCH: We will be having delicious boxed lunches brought in from Honey Baked of Columbia. Please mark one Sandwich Box or Salad Box below:

-- SANDWICH BOXES --

☐ **The Honeybaked**

Honey Baked Ham topped with swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickles, crispy onions, dijon honey mustard, and sweet honey glaze on ciabatta.

☐ **Tavern Club**

Honey Baked Ham and smoked Turkey Breast piled high with bacon, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, mayonnaise and Dijon Honey Mustard on multigrain bread.

☐ **Turkey Bacon Ranch**

Smoked Honey Baked turkey breast, cheddar cheese, bacon, lettuce, tomato, onion, and buttermilk ranch on multigrain bread.

☐ **Roasted Tomato & Cheddar**

Roasted tomatoes topped with lettuce, pickled onions, crispy onions, shredded cheddar, BBQ sauce, and mayonnaise on ciabatta.

☐ **Ham Classic**

Honey Baked Ham topped with Swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, mayonnaise, and hickory honey mustard on a flaky croissant.

☐ **Turkey Classic - Roasted**

Roasted Honey Baked Turkey Breast topped with Swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, mayonnaise, and hickory honey mustard on a baker's roll.

-- SALAD BOXES --

☐ **Cobb Salad**

Honey Baked Ham, bacon, cheddar cheese, roasted tomatoes, pickled red onions, hard-boiled egg, and cornbread croutons on a blend of green leaf & spring mix.

☐ **Cobb Salad (Veggie)**

Cheddar cheese, roasted tomatoes, pickled red onions, hard-boiled egg and cornbread croutons on a blend of green leaf & spring mix.

☐ **Garden Salad**

Blend of green leaf and spring mix, topped with sliced tomatoes and shredded cheddar.

Get registrations in by WEDNESDAY, NOV 8th, to be included in the lunch order!!!

Email to derek.hux@courts.mo.gov.