

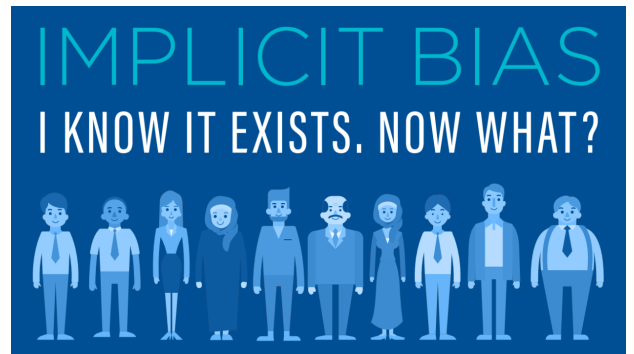
Implicit Bias in the Justice System Presentation at BCBA Lunch



The April meeting of the BCBA will be held on April 10th at the Columbia Country Club and will feature a presentation from **Jessica Caldera** and Brian McAndrew titled “Elimination of Bias in the Criminal Justice System” and will discuss bias in the juvenile disciplinary and adult criminal justice systems. This presentation will consider discrepancies in the way these systems address individuals based on



age, race, and other factors and how juvenile offenses can have long term consequences. The presentation will also touch on how those in the legal profession can acknowledge bias and contribute to a more just system for all. This program has been approved for 1.2 total hours of CLE credit, including ethics and elimination of bias hours. The cost is \$16 per person and can be paid [online here](#).



Deadline to Pay 2024 Dues was April 1

Annual BCBA Membership dues were due April 1, 2024. Members younger than 75 who have not paid their membership dues will not be included on the website directory.

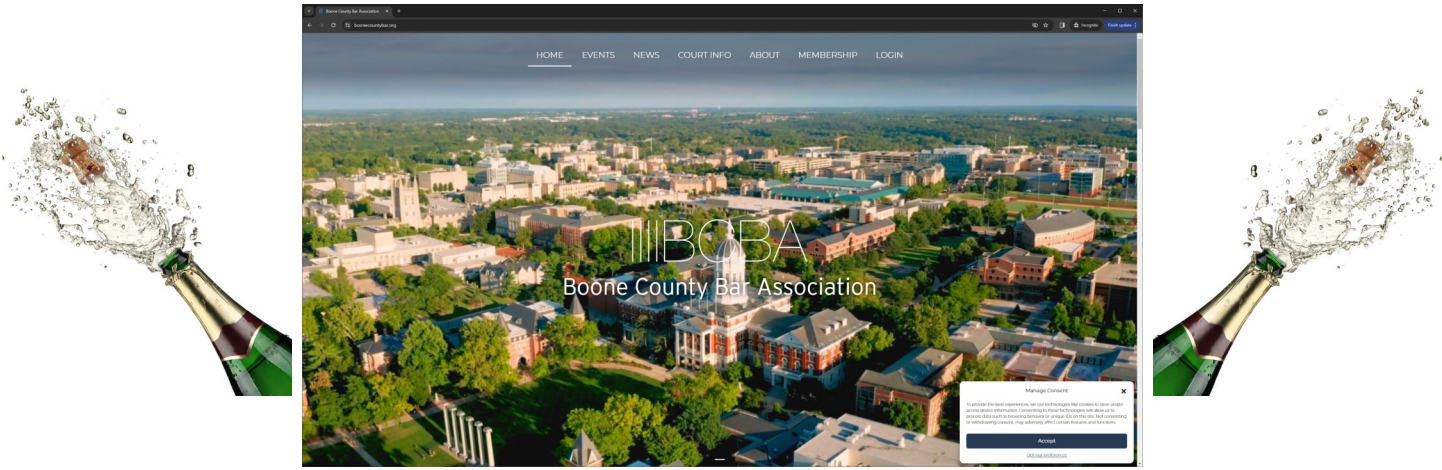


If you would like to renew your BCBA membership, please [click here](#) to renew your membership online. Please be sure to renew your membership to continue to enjoy the many benefits being a member of the BCBA!



Planning Ahead? Here are the 2024 BCBA Meeting Dates

May 8; June 12; July 10; August 14; September - TBD Annual Picnic; October 9 (also, charity golf tournament on October 14); November 13; December - TBD Holiday Party.



BCBA Launches Updated Website

After several months of work by the BCBA Executive Committee and our partners at MayeCreate Design, we are very pleased to announce the launch of the newly refreshed [BCBA website](#).

The new site has a number of features that, we think, will help members find the information they need and help the executive committee better administer the organization. While we have worked hard to test and make sure that everything works as it should, there will undoubtedly be issues that we need to address. If you find such an issue, please just email us at bcbaneews@learwert.com and we will get it figured out. But be nice!

How do I RSVP for events?

You can use the navigation at the top. Or you can scroll down on the [home page](#) to the Upcoming Events section. From there, click on the event you are interested in and fill out the registration form you plan to attend. A new feature is that members can pre-pay for any events by credit card through the website. If you would rather pay with a paper check at the meeting, that option will still be available.



Will the BCBA store my credit card information?

No. The site uses a payment processor called Stripe that will securely process your payment without us ever having your card's information.

Can I pay my dues online?

Yes. Under the Membership category at the top, you can find the [Pay Dues](#) page. This page will allow you select whether you are a private practice attorney, government attorney, or a senior counselor and then process your dues payment accordingly. Again, if you would rather mail in a check, though, you can do that, too.

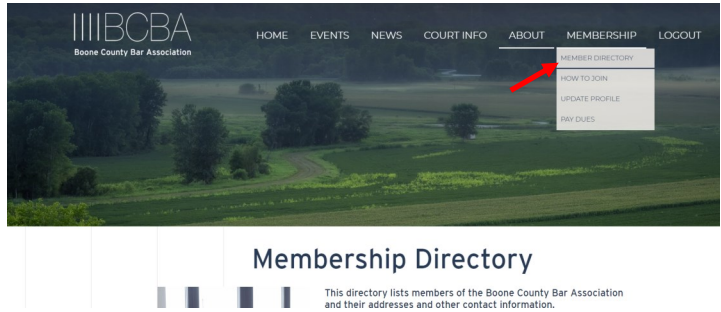
Note: members will have to be logged into the website to pay their dues. Detailed instructions for logging in are on the next page.

BCBA Launches Updated Website (continued)

Where is the Membership Directory?

Conveniently located under Membership on the [Membership Directory](#) page.

The new directory allows members to search by name, firm, or practice area (if the member has indicated such areas). You can also organize the directory by last name.



Why am I not listed in the Membership Directory?

The membership directory is currently showing those members who, according to Treasurer [Matthew Quetsch](#), have paid their 2024 dues — lots of you haven't — or are who we have down as a senior counselor. If you think you have paid your 2024 dues but don't see your name, please [email Matt](#) to sort that out. If you are a senior counselor, please either email bcbaneews@learwerts.com or go to the [Pay Dues](#) page and select the Senior Counselor option. Either way, we will get your information updated.

Can I update my own Membership profile?

Yes. Once logged into the site, members will be able to change their contact information, select their areas of practice, and upload their photo if they like.

Member-changes to their own profile will not update immediately. To prevent any outsiders from making inappropriate posts, any changes made by members will have to be approved before it is published out to the live site. No reasonable edits will be refused.

We have pre-populated several of the profiles with members' photos from their websites. If your picture has not been uploaded, we encourage you to do so. If you don't like the picture we have added, you are equally welcome to remove it.

How do I log-in to update my profile or pay my dues?

Most members—and we tried to get everyone—already have a user account created. To log-in for the first time, you will first need to change your password. Shortly after publishing this edition of the *Newsletter*, we will send everyone with a user account an email asking them to reset their password. Please do so. If you do not get an email asking you to change your password, then you will need to create a new member profile, which can be easily done on the [User Registration](#) page.

Note: The new site's default password requirements are a bit ... strict. Some of you will not like them. But the best practice is to have a strong password, so we have left that setting as it is. We would encourage members to use the "Remember Me" feature to save your password if possible.

We hope you enjoy the new site. If there are things we can improve, please let us know by emailing bcbaneews@learwerts.com.

Barchet Law on the Move! New Address Effective April 1st

Barchet Law is excited to announce its move to a new location. As of April 1, 2024, you may find Barchet Law, LLC us conveniently located at: 1603 Chapel Hill Rd., Ste. 105, Columbia, MO 65203. The location is on the corner of Forum and Chapel Hill Road.



Updates to Local Court Rule 68 (Dissolution of Marriage)

The 13th Circuit Court En Banc recently enacted amendments to [Local Court Rule 68](#), specifically regarding dissolution of marriage cases. These changes align local rules with Supreme Court Operating Rule 2, which focuses on expanded public access to court records. You may find a [redlined version of the rule](#) here which highlights the changes.

Update to 13th Circuit Court Filing Fees and Costs

The 13th Circuit has recently updated the filing fees and costs effective as of March 22, 2024. **Presiding Judge Jacobs'** order with the new fee and cost schedule [may be found here](#).

New Members:

Emily Shoemaker, Stange Law Firm, 1506 Chapel Hill Road, Suite H, Columbia, MO 65203. Phone: 660-675-0465, em.shoemaker6528@gmail.com. Emily practices family law, probate, trust, and estate planning.



Missouri High School Mock Trial Competition Seeking Area Schools to Participate

The Missouri High School Mock Trial Competition was founded by The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis in 1979 and is BAMSL's longest-running program. The competition is financially supported by the Saint Louis Bar Foundation and the Missouri Lawyer Trust Account Foundation with program support from the Lawyers Association of Kansas City Young Lawyers Section and the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association. The mock trials are structured like real courtroom trials and follow similar rules and procedures. Students learn first-hand how the legal system works and what role judges, lawyers, juries, and witnesses play in the court system. The program is seeking mid-Missouri schools to participate in the mock trial competition. For additional information and or to assist, please contact Danny Barnett-Foster at 314-485-3803 or dbarnett@bamsl.org, or Jeff McPherson at 314-609-4446, jmcperson@atllp.com.

Save the Date: Kansas City Estate Planning Symposium set for April 25 & 26

The 43rd Annual Kansas City Estate Planning Symposium is scheduled to be held on April 25 and 26, 2024, at the Overland Park, Kansas Convention Center or virtually at your own location. This continuing education seminar has historically provided an entire year's worth of CLE (16 total hours, including 2 hours of ethics credit AND one hour of elimination of bias). The curriculum, presented by nationally renowned speakers, is geared towards estate planning, business and tax attorneys; CPA's; Trust Officers; Planned Giving Professionals and Financial Planners. Cost for two-day attendance with digital course materials is only \$495, or pick a single day for \$445. For more information, visit www.KCEPS.org, or contact KCEPS Board Member Jason Simmons at (573) 447-3355 or Jason@CrippsandSimmons.com. Registration is now open.



March BCBA Program Highlights Ethics Updates

At the BCBA meeting last month, Legal Ethics Counsel Melinda Bentley gave a presentation on ethics updates. The presentation included a discussion about recent changes to the rules of professional conduct, opinions in disciplinary cases, and recently published informal advisory opinions.

Employment Opportunities



Litigation Paralegal | Columbia

EquipmentShare is looking for a skilled Litigation Paralegal to join its legal team that will report to the Associate General Counsel - Litigation & Employment. The Litigation Paralegal will be responsible for supporting all phases of the litigation process as well as executing a number of administrative tasks. The successful candidate should have a strong background in litigation and be able to manage a variety of tasks and deadlines in a fast-paced environment. Applicants must have 5+ years experience as a litigation paralegal, paralegal associate degree or other relevant certification highly preferred, proven working experience as a litigation paralegal, extensive computer skills including proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite, experience using multiple softwares and technology platforms to manage matters, contracts, invoices, documents, etc., excellent organizational and time management skills, outstanding written and oral communication skills, strong attention to detail, ability to work independently and manage multiple tasks, and deadlines in a fast-paced environment. If you have any questions about this position please contact david.kirby@equipmentshare.com or follow the [link to the position here](#).

Government Contract Counsel | Columbia

EquipmentShare is seeking a Government Contracts Counsel to be responsible for providing legal support to the Government Contracts business unit on contractual matters relating to Federal, State, & Local contract opportunities, including those governed by the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations Supplement (DFARS) and General Services Administration (GSA). The role provides counseling on a wide range of government contracts-related business and regulatory issues including government contract formation, contract compliance, risk assessment, proposal and negotiation counseling, dispute resolution and review and negotiation of commercial subcontracts relating to government contract matters. Applicants must have at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited 4-year college, Juris Doctor, a minimum of 5 years of experience as a practicing attorney focused on government contracting, with a preference for candidates with experience with federal contracting, requires membership in a state bar as an attorney qualified to practice law in the state and must remain in good standing with the state bar including being current on any applicable Continuing Legal Education requirements, strong hands-on practical knowledge of all facets of federal government, and state and local contracting law in various jurisdictions. If you have any questions please contact david.kirby@equipmentshare.com or follow the [link to the position here](#).

Employment Opportunities (Continued)

Intellectual Property Counsel

EquipmentShare is seeking a results-driven, experienced attorney to join its legal team and report to its Deputy General Counsel. The Intellectual Property Attorney will be responsible for addressing and/or managing all of the IP needs of the organization, including but not limited to, legal issues related to trademarks, patents, trade secrets, and copyrights, as well as all public-facing marketing materials. This attorney will be embedded with the product development teams (both technology and manufacturing) to act as legal advisor and provide risk guidance. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record in managing and advising on IP matters with a proactive approach to protect the company's interests. Applicants must have: Juris Doctor degree, requires membership in a state bar as an attorney qualified to practice law in the state and must remain in good standing with the state bar including being current on any applicable Continuing Legal Education requirements, 5+ years of experience as an IP attorney, including experience with counseling clients on business aspects of IP matters, with in-house experience highly preferred, Ability to operate with significant independence, ability to interact with people at all levels of the organization and interface effectively with leadership, internal business partners, and external partners, such as outside counsel, exceptional presentation and negotiating skills, ability to perform complex tasks and to prioritize multiple projects, demonstrates superior judgment, integrity, and the highest ethical standards, and licensed before the USPTO, not required. If you have any question please contact david.kirby@equipmentshare.com or follow the [link to the position here](#).

Boone County Juvenile Office Associate Legal Counsel

The 13th Circuit is hiring for the position of Associate Legal Counsel in the Boone County Juvenile Office. The position involves legal research and litigation on behalf of the Juvenile Office, advising the Juvenile Office on legal matters, reviewing proposed legislation, among other tasks. The starting salary range is \$53,019 - \$79,518. The [link to the position is here](#).

Sneak Peak at Upcoming BCBA CLEs

May 8 — “Fireside Chat” with Missouri Supreme Court Judge Robin Ransom and Missouri Bar President Megan Phillips.

June 12 — Attorney Mit Winter will provide an overview of the new and quickly evolving landscape of Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) in college athletics, and the role that recent changes to state NIL laws and NCAA NIL bylaws play in today’s college athletics world.

March 2024 Treasurer's Report

Submitted by:	Matthew R. Quetsch
For Period Ending:	03/31/2024
Account Balance as of 03/01/2024	
	\$8,380.65
Receipts 03/01/2024 to 03/31/2024	
Dues	\$825.00
March Luncheon	\$704.00
Total Receipts	\$1,529.00
Expenses 03/01/2024 to 03/31/2024	
February Luncheon	\$-576.00
March Luncheon	\$-832.00
Web Hosting	\$-50.00
Total Expenses	\$-1,458.00
Ending Balance as of 3/31/2024	\$8,451.65

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