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## N O V E M B E R 2 0 0 1

### RECOLLECTIONS OF SEPTEMBER 11

By Bruce Fest

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Pam Flowers is married to Sonny Flowers, one of our BCBA members. She and Sonny are also my next door neighbors. After visiting a friend in New Jersey, Pam and another friend left on Sunday, September 9 to stay in an apartment in Manhattan for a few days. I recount below some of Pam's vivid memories and images of that week:

Like many others, we were watching television on Tuesday morning. The *Today* show was interrupted with the news of an explosion in one of the World Trade Center towers. We watched TV as information was pieced together indicating terrorists flew planes into the towers. We saw the WTC collapse on TV. Two days

before, we had seen the WTC in the NYC skyline coming in on the bus from New Jersey. Now it vanished before our eyes on the TV screen. We knew we would not be able to fly home. We needed food to get us through the next days. We left the apartment at 68th and Lexington Avenue, north of the WTC with midtown, SoHo, Greenwich Village and Chinatown in between. People were walking uptown and away from the WTC about 50 blocks to the south. They were six abreast. They had debris (cement and drywall dust) stuck and caked to their clothes and hair. It would not brush off. Except for a few talking on cell phones they walked in shocked silence. No one was crying. There were no cars, no taxis and no subway. The only way to get home was to walk.

We went into a grocery store. It was jammed with people. It took two hours to get through the checkout lines. Some lines were cash-only

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#### Mark Your Calendars! 3rd ANNUAL ETHICS FORUM

Presenters: Update from the Supreme Court Disciplinary Council, Steve Fatzinger; CBA Professional Liability Committee; *Ethics in Computers and the Practice of Law: How to Keep Your License*. Presenter: Dick Reeve, General Counsel, Computer Crime Section, Denver Deputy DA.

Chrisman, Bynum & Johnson from 8 a.m. - Noon

5 hours of ethics applied for. \$65 for BCBA members, \$80 for non-members, and \$45 for young lawyers. Details on page 7

# NOVEMBER 2001

Details for programs are in the Calendar of Events on page 6

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Natural Res.	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Employment	14 ADR/RealEstate Criminal	15	16	17
18	19	20 Business	21	22 Happy Thanksgiving	23	24
25	26	27	28 Tax estate	29	30	

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## RECOLLECTIONS OF SEPTEMBER 11 *(continued from page 1)*

because not all of the credit card machines were working. Delivery of groceries is common in Manhattan. But there was not a delivery clerk in sight, nor were there any grocery carts. Some of the shelves were completely empty. People were clearly stocking up but not hoarding. There was no crying or panic.

Back at the apartment a lot of the TV channels were not working because the transmitters were located in the WTC towers. We discovered we could make outgoing calls but not receive incoming calls. On pay phones, calls could be made free of charge.

We went to give blood. The line snaked out the door and around the block. It was about a six-hour wait. People were patient, with no complaints. Only people with blood donor cards were accepted. This was apparently to eliminate the delays from screening for disease and contamination while maintaining some assurance that the blood was safe.

On Wednesday the air was blowing uptown from the WTC. There was continuous smoke, with an acrid electrical smell that burned our eyes and throats. Hundreds of bomb threats were made. Sirens were everywhere. We heard airplanes overhead, but buildings blocked our view of the sky. We hid our anxiety with the hope that these were military flights ordered to patrol the air space. I am sure that is what they were, but I could not know for certain.

On Thursday we took a limo service to the Newark airport thinking we would be able to fly home. The New Jersey side of the Hudson gives the best view of the WTC towers. But now Manhattan's two front teeth had been knocked out. The gaping wound was bleeding smoke.

Security at the airport was very tight. Everyone had to stay in the ticketing and check-in areas to wait for the few available flights. The concourses were blocked off and deserted. The FAA banned standby flyers. Flights, including ours, were canceled. We spent all day Thursday and Friday in Newark trying to get out. Thursday night we stayed at a cheap motel. A loud crash startled us out of bed and into the

night. We feared a bomb or an attack. It was thunder. We were standing in the rain.

Friday evening we gave up on any flight out of Newark and returned by limo service to the apartment in Manhattan. It should have been a forty-minute trip. Security at the Lincoln Tunnel made it a two and a half-hour trip. The President was in the city that evening, which led to further road closures. Others who could not get out or who were stuck in Red Cross shelters were returning to the city as well. It was now the Sabbath. People were lined up to go into synagogues. They all had candles. Candles and flowers were in stores, shops and apartment windows. Candlelight vigils could be seen all over. People were holding silent memorials. When we got to the apartment Friday evening it felt like we had been gone forever. But the doorman remembered us and even which floor and apartment we were in.

Saturday morning I walked around the Village and SoHo. I got as far south as Canal Street, where a police barricade stopped me. That was about 20 blocks from the WTC. The street was full, with a weird mix of the curious, a few emergency personnel, hawkers of T-shirts with the WTC explosion displayed on the front and a time line on the back and

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# THE RULE OF LAW: OUR STRONGEST WEAPON

By Robert E. Hirshon, ABA President

As Americans move forward from the shocking events of September 11, we must develop actions that permit prompt and effective investigation and prosecution of those responsible for these heinous acts. Additionally, we must prepare ourselves for the possibility of war against those rogue nations that have aided and abetted the terrorists. But, despite the special measures we will need to battle terrorism, we must remember that our strongest weapon against anarchy and human destruction continues to be the rule of law.

The terrorists who attacked our country would like nothing better than to destroy the fabric of our democracy. We cannot allow them to do that; we must keep our passions in check and remain firm against ethnic or religious scapegoating. The terrorists also seek to affect our daily lives by putting us in a state of fear. We must fight these fears by maintaining control of our lives and by finding a new comfort zone for living.

We know that some things will not be as they were before the terrorists struck. Our leaders have already united to address such complex issues as electronic surveillance, wire-tapping, computer encryption and immigration procedures. As a country, we need to be ready for inconveniences, restrictions and the possible loss of some liberties. We must make sacrifices to find and combat the zealots who respect neither law nor religion.

As Americans we share a common

burden, a responsibility created by our citizenship. It is one for which lawyers are particularly prepared and which we are ready to embrace.

To help this effort I have created the American Bar Association Task Force on Terrorism and the Law. The task force draws on a range of experts: a former general counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency; a retired brigadier general from the United States Army; and experts in the law of business, immigration, civil liberties, aviation, international affairs, technology, crime and civil liability. The task force already is analyzing congressional and Administration proposals and is prepared to help find an appropriate balance between national security and individual liberty. The task force's work will form a thoughtful basis for recommendations to federal leaders on these critical matters.

We in the American Bar Association are confident that our nation can achieve this delicate balance and preserve the principles that have allowed our country to thrive for more than 200 years. We stand ready to assist our leaders in efforts to eradicate terrorism and preserve the rule of law throughout the world.



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## THE NEW LONGMONT COURT

### 20th Judicial District Dedicates New Longmont Court

One hundred and fifty county employees, court officials and community members attended the dedication of the new Longmont court facility on Monday, October 15. The 31,000 square-foot building, located at 1035 Kimbark Street, will replace the municipal court buildings that have served to accommodate northern Boulder County cases since 1998.

The new building cost \$5.5 million and contains room for possible future expansion. Chief Judge Roxanne Bailin, Boulder County Judge David Archuleta, Boulder County Commissioner Ron Stewart and State Court Administrator Gerald Marroney all participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony and unveiling of the artwork that frames the courthouse. "Legacy," a metal and sandstone sculpture designed by artist Harriet Lee, was chosen for its message of community responsibility and hope for the future: "Teach the chil-

dren integrity, citizenship, respect, kindness, tolerance."

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Pre-registration is required for BCBA CLE luncheons. Please send a check to the Bar office at least 3 days in advance. BCBA CLE's cost \$12 per credit hour for members and \$18 for non-members unless otherwise noted. Young Lawyer Section Members pay only \$5 for CLE programs. Materials are \$5 without CLE credit.

November 1, 2001  
Natural Resources/Environmental  
Topic: Issues in Environmental Class  
Action/Toxic Tort Litigation  
Presenter: Bob Lawrence,  
Noon Brown Bag Lunch  
Justice Center Courtroom C

November 13, 2001  
Employment Law Section  
Topic: Sexual Harassment Update  
Presenter: TBA  
Noon at Chrisman, Bynum & Johnson  
Box Lunch \$10 (Turkey, Veggie or  
Beef) CLE \$12

November 14, 2001  
ADR & Real Estate Sections  
Topic: What the Commercial Lawyer  
Needs to Know About ADR and  
Related Drafting Tips  
Presenters: TBA  
Noon at Dolan's in Boulder  
Lunch \$13 CLE \$12

Criminal Law Section  
**Topic: EN Certification**  
Presenters: Mike Davia, Fred Maxwell,  
Colorado Dept. of Health  
Noon to 4 P.M. Boulder Justice  
Center Courtroom C  
CLE \$50, \$30 for YLS, \$55 for  
non-members

November 20, 2001  
Business Law Section  
Topic: Insurance for Small Businesses  
Presenter: Kurt Hofgard  
Noon at Dolan's in Boulder  
Lunch \$13 CLE \$12

November 28, 2001  
Tax, Estate Planning & Probate  
Topic: New Income Tax Issues for  
Trust Distributions  
Presenter: Stuart Kingsbery, CPA  
& Ed Naimon, CPA  
Noon at Caplan & Earnest, Board  
Room, Box Lunch \$10 (Turkey, Veggie  
or Beef) CLE \$12

December 6, 2001  
3rd ANNUAL ETHICS FORUM  
Presenters: Update from the Supreme  
Court Disciplinary Counsel, Steve  
Fatzinger; CBA Professional Liability  
Committee; Topic: Ethics in  
Computers and the Practice of Law:  
How to Keep Your License, Dick  
Reeve, General Counsel, Computer  
Crime Section, Denver Deputy DA.  
Chrisman, Bynum & Johnson  
8 a.m. - Noon  
5 hours of ethics applied for  
\$65 for BCBA members, \$80 for  
non-members, and \$45 for young  
lawyers

December 6, 2001  
Natural Resources/Environmental  
Law Section  
Topic: Citizen Suits  
Presenter: TBA  
Noon Brown Bag Lunch  
Boulder Justice Center Courtroom E  
CLE \$12

**BCBA Holiday Party**  
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Details to come

December 11, 2001  
Employment Law Section  
Topic: Employment Contract  
Provisions Relating to Non-competi-  
tion, Non-solicitation and Trade  
Secrets. Presenter: Mark Wiletsky  
Noon at Chrisman, Bynum & Johnson  
Box Lunch \$10 (Turkey, Veggie or  
Beef) CLE \$12

December 12, 2001  
Real Estate Section  
Topic: Ethical Issues for Lawyers  
Dealing with Governmental Entities  
Presenter: Joe de Raismes, Boulder  
City Attorney, Noon at Dolan's  
Lunch \$13 CLE \$12

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

The Boulder IDC will sponsor an all day conference on How to Determine Parenting Time From a Child's Point of View In Domestic Violence Cases on Monday, November 5, 2001. Keynote speaker Louise Silvern of the University of Colorado will discuss her most recent research on the effect on children of witnessing violence. Front Range custody evaluators Susan Van Scoyk, Michael Friedman and Hank Fischer, along with Terri James of the Kempe Childrens' Center, will outline potential parenting time recommendations for different age and development groups. Boulder District Attorney Mary Keenan will head up the presentation on parenting time during criminal and D & N cases. Call 303.938.1646 for more information.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## BOULDER COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION

December 12, 2001

Criminal Law & Young Law  
Sections

Topic: *Nuts and Bolts of Criminal  
Law*

Presenter: Tim Talkington

Noon Brown Bag Lunch

Boulder Justice Center Courtroom E  
CLE \$12, CLE \$5 for Young Lawyers

The Boulder County Bar Foundation held its quarterly meeting in mid-October to make decisions on the grant applications for 2001. Each year the Foundation grants approximately \$6000 to various law related organizations and special projects in Boulder county. The following are the grant recipients for 2001. Boulder County Legal Services, Boulder High School Mock Trial Program, Heritage Middle School in Longmont, Colorado School Mediation Project, The Counseling Center's Safe Exchange Program, YWCA Divorce and Parenting Classes, Center for American West Colorado Legal History Project, Voices for Children. This is a record number of grants awarded to law related programs in the county.

recommendations to the Bar Offices at 1942 Broadway, Suite 205, Boulder, CO 80302, Attn. Community Achievement Award by January 7, 2002.

The current Board of Trustees of the Boulder County Bar Foundation are, Elaine Johnson, President; Gerald Sloat, Vice-president; Jim Christoph, Treasurer; Richard Lyons, Dan Vigil, Sheila Carrigan, Earl Hancock, G. Lane Earnest, Martha Ridgway and Christine Hylbert, Executive Director and Secretary.

### DIVORCE CONFLICT SOLUTIONS

A workshop to empower professionals with the skills to intervene and endure when working with high conflict couples as Med./Arb., PC, Special Advocate or Legal Representative for the child.

January 11, 2001 8:30 a.m - 4 p.m.

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Carla Garrity, Ph.D.

Bob LaCrosse, Ph.D.

**For registration and information  
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The Foundation's special fundraising event "Rock Around the Block" raised \$2700 after expenses. This amount will be added to the BCBF funding for Boulder County Legal Services.

The Foundation will honor the recipients at the annual dinner on March 10, 2002 at the Flagstaff House. At that time, the recipient of the Community Achievement Award will be honored by making a \$1000 donation to the non-profit organization of their choice.

The Boulder County Bar Foundation is seeking nominations for the Community Achievement Award. This award goes to the "unsung hero" of his/her community for significant legally related contributions. Last year, Greg Malmon, a Longmont Police Officer, was given this award for his assistance with prevention of domestic violence. Please send your

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# LAWYERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We have all been deeply touched by the events of September 11. As lawyers, one duty to our community is to show leadership in tolerating differences of opinion, divergent ideas and conflicting perspectives. Many of us work every day with individuals in conflict. Conflict causes emotions to swell; swelling emotions engender quick reactions; quick reactions invite hostility. With careful thought and a deep breath once in a while, we can assist our clients to understand that differences among us should not breed hostility, enmity or violence. Rather than reacting, we can teach our clients and ourselves to work through disagreements civilly and respectfully. We can assert and advocate vigorously without inflaming client or opponent.

Our behavior toward one another is the starting point for setting the right example. In Abe Lincoln's time, after battling it out in a spirited courtroom debate, lawyers frequently dined and sat together at a bar. The marketplace of ideas should be robust and differences fully aired, but accomplishing this does not mean "shooting the messenger." Let's focus on the message, rather than on the person by whom it is delivered.

Ours is a sacred profession. Our calling includes working through some of society's thorniest disputes. Although we cannot ourselves prevent future Bin Ladens, we can each do our share to make our community more tolerant of racial, gender, religious and ideological differences. Let's use September 11 as a catalyst within our legal community to treat each other with greater kindness and respect and help our clients to do the same.

E Pluribus Unum - out of many, one.

*Andrew C. Littman*

*Stevens, Littman and Biddison, LLC*

## LAWYERS NEEDED FOR DISASTER RELIEF

During the week of September 11 the call went out for volunteers from Susan Wissink, Disaster Legal Services Coordinator for the American Bar Association. The ABA has an agreement with FEMA that, in the event of a disaster, the ABA will set up an 800 number for victims to call and speak with an attorney on a pro-bono basis. Within 24 hours, over 1,000 attorneys answered the call. Ms. Wissink has asked that we continue to compile a database of attorneys in the event that more will be needed in the weeks to come. Any adjunct professors, alums, etc. who are willing to volunteer (and have up-to-date malpractice insurance), please contact any of us at the below e-mail addresses. We anticipate a need for attorneys in almost all fields of practice, but especially in the probate, family law and general commercial areas. As a reminder, volunteers may not assist fee-generating clients (e.g., we can't sue the airlines on their behalf), and no volunteer may take any fee for services. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us with your name, phone number, e-mail address, areas of practice and the states in which you are licensed to practice.

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# FAREWELL TO LEGAL SERVICES

BY MELODY FULLER

In mid-November I will end my employment as the Managing Attorney for Boulder County Legal Services and join many of you on the BCLS pro bono panel as a private practitioner. After 15 years in the Boulder legal aid office and four years in the Denver office, I still believe in the ideal of access to justice for the poor and continue to enjoy the practice of law and being part of the legal system. It has been a wonderful experience working as a legal aid lawyer in an environment where local governments and bar members enthusiastically support the goal of justice for all members of the community. I am not finished as a

cheerleader for our legal system, for the disadvantaged and for the bar, which has done so much for the indigent in Boulder County.

Each year at the BCLS Pro Bono Luncheon, Sue Parenteau, our Pro Bono Coordinator, allots me 2-3 minutes to share some thoughts with you. The luncheon, our annual event to honor our pro bono lawyers, never ceases to inspire me, as I focus on the incredible services they contribute to BCLS and our clients. It is hard to limit my comments about your accomplishments to only three minutes, and even harder to leave a program that so profoundly affects

our legal system. However, I need a change and want to explore another type of legal practice and engage in new challenges as a lawyer. I don't think that the grass is greener in private practice, but I feel that, if I am ever going to do anything else in my career, I have to make the leap now.

Following the terrorist attacks on September 11, Americans everywhere are asking how they can help; people want to volunteer and hope that they have something to offer. We, as lawyers, are fortunate to be able to make a difference in the lives of the individuals and businesses we represent and to have a positive effect on the greatest legal system on earth today. We don't have to go to New York, serve in the military, or find a new volunteer cause. We can help and do good just by being honorable lawyers, providing pro bono services and making the legal system function smoothly.

I thank Colorado Legal Services, all of you in the bar and the community for allowing me the opportunity to serve. I will miss legal aid terribly. Many people have asked me how legal services will fare after my departure. I have no doubt that BCLS will continue to thrive because its strength is in you, the legal community, and pro bono attorneys who perpetuate the ideal of justice for all. Farewell, legal services, farewell.

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## PRO BONO PAGE

Fifty-one cases were referred during the month of September. Thank you to the following attorneys.

**Tessa Alexander**  
**Bill Benjamin**  
**James Carpenter**  
**Stephanie Carter**  
**David Driscoll**  
**Kim Gent**  
**Peggy Goodbody**  
**Pam Graham**  
**Guy Greenstein**  
**Kathleen Hammond**  
**Joan Heard**  
**Anne Jorgensen**  
**Dan Kapsack**  
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**Cathy Schultheis**

Thank you to Georgiana Scott and Bev Nelson for a generous contribution to Boulder County Legal Services.

### **Boulder County AIDS Project:**

Thank you to the following attorneys who accepted pro bono referrals for the Boulder County AIDS Project during the month of September:

**Jon Banashek**  
**Paul Bierbaum (2)**  
**Christina Ebner**  
**Kathleen Hammond**  
**Gary Merenstein**

**Pro Bono Corner:** BCLS is looking for a Chinese speaking pro bono attorney to assist a client with a family law matter. Please call Sue Parenteau, Pro Bono Coordinator, at 303-449-2197.

We need volunteers for the LACH program at the Homeless Shelter. Attorneys go to the shelter on Tuesday nights 7-9, to assist with employment, criminal, bankruptcy and family law issues. Please call Alex Garlin (296-4222) or Slade Spillman (998-0417) with questions or for more information about the vol-

### **BCBA Professionalism Committee On-call Schedule**

Nov. 5	Bev Nelson	554-7030
Nov. 19	Trip DeMuth	546-1375
Nov. 12	Christie Coates	443-8524
Nov. 15	Bev Nelson	554-7030
Nov. 26	Mark Langston	440-9684

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# Special Thanks from the Legal Aid Foundation

The Legal Aid Foundation of Colorado expresses its gratitude to the following Boulder County law firms and individuals for making the 2000-2001 Boulder County Campaign the most successful in our history. This year's drive resulted in a total of \$68,125 for Colorado Legal Services, which includes Boulder County Legal Services.

The Foundation is celebrating 20 years of providing equal access to justice for low-income individuals and families, including people with disabilities, senior citizens and victims of domestic violence. Since 1981 the Foundation has raised over \$7.5 million for legal services in Colorado.

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one self-important wannabe rescue worker who dressed himself in mismatched hospital scrubs and worked the crowd, etc. Posters of missing spouses and family members papered the walls. White UPS trucks with enclosed trailers were waved through the barricade. These 18-wheelers were not hauling debris; I can only assume that they were bringing out bodies. From Canal Street, which runs east-west, we could see down the north-south streets to the devastation of the WTC 20 blocks away. Two towed and stranded cars with blown out windows were suffocated in two inches of debris. And there was always the smoke. The whole mood was a disconnect between the normal things in life and the enormity and incomprehensibility of the tragedy.

A couple of blocks away I saw an exhausted fireman sitting in his bunker gear in a building recess, staring into the middle distance. He tapped his foot silently. Then he got up and walked alone back to Ground Zero.

Shrines outside fire stations had candles, flowers, pictures of the missing, notes and letters from spouses and children, notebooks for the public to write their thoughts and prayers. One shrine had the boots of a missing fireman. They were still covered with debris. When I talk about this a month later, it is still with tears.

Everyone in Manhattan (locals and visitors) was in shock. We came together in the tragedy. We all remained low key, calm and helpful. I heard no ethnic slurs or threats. The limo services bore witness to the unity. Names like Tel Aviv and Jaffa indicated Jewish owners. The drivers were non-Jews from the Middle East. The services were functioning and helpful under great stress. The drivers felt no fear for themselves, their families or their jobs. Regardless of how short or long a time they have lived in this country, they told us, "We're in this together, we are Americans." The touch, the image, the sound and the smell of the tragedy linger in me now. I was glad to fly home on Sunday, September 16.

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