2020 JUSTICE FOR ALL BALL

Please join us for the 2020 Justice For All Ball - an exclusive social event for a great cause! Ticket and sponsorship proceeds are all donated to the Legal Aid Foundation, benefitting Colorado Legal Services. We expect this event to sell out. Register now!

Friday, March 6 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Boulder JCC - 6007 Oreg Avenue, Boulder, CO
Music by Diamond Orchestra
Tickets:
$50 Early Bird price
$40 Early Bird for Young Lawyers
$75 all tickets after February 21

Please click here to register
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, February 13
ALL SECTIONS SIDE BAR CLE
On Being A Lawyer
Presented by Sonny Flowers, JD
4:00 - 6:00 PM @ BCBA Offices (3269 28th Street)
$35 CLE and social, $20 New Lawyer, $10 No CLE
Please click here to register

Wednesday, February 19
CIVIL CLE
Business Development Strategies for Litigators
Presented by Michelle Rafik
4:00 - 6:00 PM @ BCBA Offices (3269 28th Street)
$35 CLE and social, $20 New Lawyer, $10 No CLE
Please click here to register

Tuesday, February 25
FREE LEGAL CLINIC IN LONGMONT
5:30 PM @ Longmont Senior Center (910 Longs Peak Ave)
Please click here to volunteer

Thursday, March 5
LONGMONT CLE
Cryptocurrency Law & Legal Ethics Concerns
Presented by Micah Schwalb
12:00 - 1:00 PM @ Dickens Tavern (300 Main Street)
$41 CLE and lunch, $31 New Lawyer, $16 Lunch only
Please click here to register

2020 Mock Trials - February 6, 7, and 8
It's time to volunteer for this year's Mock Trials. We need 20 volunteers per round: 5 presiding and 15 scoring.

This program heavily relies on our membership, and we can't do this without you! The students work incredibly hard, and it's a great event. Volunteers always walk out of these trials very impressed with the caliber of the competition.

Please click here for more information and to volunteer

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SIDE BAR: ON BEING A LAWYER

Please join us for the monthly Side Bar CLE. This month’s presentation, On Being A Lawyer, is presented by Sonny Flowers, JD. Sonny Flowers is a past BCBA President who brings over 40 years of experience to speak on his reflections on the practice of law.

The presentation deals with the realities of what lawyers do and the demands of the profession. Historically lawyers have made a substantial difference in the world, although expressions of disdain have been noted as early as 1659, disparaging lawyers’ responsibility to clients. Discussion will include lawyers’ relationship with the “rule of law,” as well as the evolution of law alongside the development of society through to modern times.

PROBATE PRO SE CLINIC VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all who volunteered their time for the Probate Pro Se Clinic.

Brooke Brestel
Kurt Hofgard
Renee Ezer

Gina Weinberger
Fern O’Brien
Jonathan Leinhardt

Tom Rodriguez
David Doughterty

WELCOME NEW BCBA MEMBERS

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Invest in justice.
Invest in the future.
Invest in the community.

The Boulder County Bar Foundation is a 501(c)(3) that invests donations from its Fellows in an endowment fund, the proceeds of which are awarded to legally-related 501(c)(3) organizations in Boulder County. Grants have regularly been awarded to help fund legal services for low income, immigrant and displaced members of the community; high school mock trial teams and court-ordered co-parenting classes as well as court access for victims of domestic violence. The Foundation always has grant applications for more than it can give. Become a Fellow and help grow the endowment - it’s good for justice, it’s good for the future, it’s good for the community and it’s good for you.

Invest in yourself.
Become a Foundation Fellow today.
PRESIDENT’S PAGE

JENNIFER LORENZ

In spite of what we all learned on Law and Order, not everyone has the right to an attorney. A criminal defendant’s right to an attorney is found in the Sixth Amendment. The Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution states that “[i]n all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right . . . to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defense.”

Not until 1963 was it established that criminal defendants who are unable to afford a lawyer have a right to free legal representation. The U.S. Supreme Court applied the Sixth Amendment right to legal counsel to the states in felony cases in Gideon v. Wainwright (click here for citation), 372 U.S. 335 (1963). In Gideon the Court unanimously held that “in our adversary system of criminal justice, any person haled into court, who is too poor to hire a lawyer, cannot be assured a fair trial unless counsel is provided for him.” Id. The U.S. Supreme Court later found a right to free counsel in state juvenile crime cases (click here for citation) under In re Gault (click here for citation), 387 U.S. 1 (1967), and in state misdemeanor proceedings that risk “the actual deprivation of a person’s liberty” under Argersinger v. Hamlin, 407 U.S. 25, 40 (1972).

But the defendant does not have a right to free court appointed legal counsel in civil cases. As a result, a defendant is required to hire an attorney, represent him/herself or obtain legal aid.

In 2017 the median billing rate for an attorney in Colorado was $250.00 an hour and many attorneys billed in excess of $400.00 an hour (click here for citation). 2017 the median household income in the United States was $61,372.00 (click here for citation).

For many families and individuals, hiring an attorney is not possible. Colorado Legal Services is a non-profit organization that provides legal services to low income individuals. Eligibility requirements may differ depending on age and the type and nature of the legal issue. For more information please click here. Colorado Legal Services most frequently represents seniors, women and veterans.

The Boulder office of Colorado Legal Services provides legal advice and representation to low income eligible persons and seniors in civil matters. BCLS is managed by the vivacious and enthusiastic Brett Landis and a staff of dedicated attorneys, assistants and volunteers. BCLS services are based on community and client needs. Many of BCLS services focus on matters that threaten an individual’s ability to meet their basic human needs.

Colorado Legal Services is a non-profit and its funding comes from many sources, including donations. To ensure the survival of Colorado Legal Services and make justice assessable for all, come celebrate with us on March 6, 2020 at the Justice for All Ball. Please click here to register.
JUSTICE FOR ALL BALL

Friday, March 6 at 7 pm
Boulder JCC
6007 Oreg Avenue, Boulder

About JFAB

18 years ago, the Boulder County Bar Association started a fundraiser called Food Wine Jazz Art to benefit Colorado Legal Services. While this event was a great success, recent cuts to the federal budget made us realize three years ago that we needed to rebrand our event to draw a larger crowd and raise even more money for legal services.

The 2018 Boulder County Justice For All Ball was the beginning of our new era. We kept the event geared toward the legal community, but expanded further to include partners, clients, and friends. We held the event on a weekend evening to accommodate those who find a weeknight event hard to attend and brought in members who have never attended a bar function. The event was a huge success.

This year, we are excited to move to the Boulder JCC. This is an ideal venue for our event! We will have music and dancing led by the Diamond Orchestra. Their fun, sophisticated and soulful ensemble keeps guests of all ages and tastes entertained at the top venues in Colorado and beyond. There will also be a silent auction with some fabulous opportunities.

Hors d’oeuvres will be available along with delicious desserts from Front Range Catering.

This year continues to bring new sponsorship opportunities if you are unable to attend but still want to contribute to a worthy cause. We are asking for Young Lawyer and Paralegal sponsorships to allow those that might not have the funds in their budget to purchase a ticket.
Philanthropic - Only One Available!

Donation pledge - $5,000
Number of sponsorships available - 1
Included tickets - 20

Mentions/Exposure
- Attendee Flyer Logo
- PR: Partner Quote in Daily Camera and placed PR Articles
- Video loop at event
- BCBA website for one year on Find A Lawyer page
- Firm name and logo in all PR articles
- Event website
- Signage/banners at event

Altruistic

Donation pledge - $2,500
Number of sponsorships available - 3
Included tickets - 16

Mentions/Exposure
- Video loop at event
- BCBA website for one year on Find A Lawyer page
- Firm name and logo in all PR articles
- Event website
- Signage/banners at event

Magnanimous

Donation pledge - $1,000
Number of sponsorships available - 5
Included tickets - 10

Mentions/Exposure
- Video loop at event
- BCBA website for one year on Find A Lawyer page
- Firm name and logo in all PR articles
- Event website
- Signage/banners at event

Humanitarian

Donation pledge - $500
Number of sponsorships available - 10
Included tickets - 6
Mentions/Exposure
- Firm name and logo in all PR articles
- Event website
- Signage/banners at event

Lavish

Donation pledge - Any item of value for our silent auction
Number of sponsorships available - unlimited
Included tickets - 1
Mentions/Exposure
- Event website
- Signage/banners at event

Mentor

Donation pledge - $500
Number of sponsorships available - 2
This level includes tickets for the mentor and one guest. Eight remaining tickets will be distributed to BCBA New/Young Lawyers and Paralegals who may not have the funds in their budget to buy a ticket.
Mentions/Exposure
- Firm name and logo in all PR articles
- Event website
- Signage/banners at event

Questions? Suggestions?
Please contact Executive Director Laura Ruth at 303-440-4758 or laura@boulder-bar.org.
PROFESSIONALISM ON CALL

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The Professionalism Committee assists lawyers, clients, and other members of the community with questions or complaints about behavior by lawyers that fails to meet generally accepted standards of professionalism and courtesy, or that is contrary to the BCBA Principles of Professionalism.

The Professionalism Committee does not address allegations of criminal or ethical violations by lawyers, as regulated by the Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct, and any such violations should be addressed to the Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel.

BOULDER COUNTY FREE LEGAL CLINIC

The dates have been set for the 2019/2020 Free Legal Clinics at the BCBA Office (3269 28th Street, 2nd Floor), the Lafayette Senior Center (103 Iowa Avenue), and the Longmont Senior Center (910 Longs Peak Ave) from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Volunteers are always needed. Please contact Laura at laura@boulder-bar.org if you can help in Boulder or Lafayette, or susan.spaulding@longmontcolorado.gov if you can help in Longmont.

Lafayette: April 14, July 14
Longmont: February 25, May 19, August 25
Boulder: March 19, June 18, September 17, December 17

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Lafayette Free Legal Clinic was held on January 14. Thank you to the attorneys who were able to serve as volunteers:

Scott Hamerslough  Dipak Patel
Bob Cooper  Karen Burns
K.C. Cunilio  Cynthia Kennedy
Laurel Herndon  Joseph LoRusso
Ruth Summers  Louisa Young
Shana Beggan  Kurt Hofgard

PRO BONO REFERRALS

Five cases were referred during the month of December. Thank you to the following attorneys:

Constance Eyster
Bruce Wiener
David Driscoll
Gary Merenstein

PRO SE VOLUNTEERS

Kathleen Franco
Zachary LaFramboise
Chris Jeffers

PRO BONO CORNER

Interested in a Pro Bono case? Please call Kellie at 303-449-2197. CLE credits available for pro bono service.
Dietze and Davis, P.C.
is pleased to announce that

**Gabriella Stockmayer**

has become a Shareholder with our Firm.

Ms. Stockmayer’s practice will continue to focus on energy and utility law, water law, real estate law, environmental law, and civil litigation.

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