

SIDE BAR: CBA PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

The BCBA is pleased to present our Side Bar program on Thursday, January 9 from 4:00-6:00 pm.

January's presentation will be a joint presentation with CBA President Kathleen Hearn Croshal, a longtime Pueblo attorney and county court judge who is serving as President for the 2019-2020 term, and Justice Richard Gabriel, an associate justice for the Colorado Supreme Court.

Judge Croshal will discuss her presidential term and goals for the upcoming year.

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Justice Gabriel will present "How Judges Decide Cases in the Real World", separating myths from reality in the hope of fostering a better understanding of the judicial decision-making process. This is the program chosen by you, our members when we sent a poll a few months ago. This will be great information for attorneys, and we encourage your participation!

We will then have a networking and social hour with appetizers, wine and beer included. This is an opportunity to catch up with your fellow colleagues and get to know Judge Croshal and Justice Gabriel. This will be a popular program, so sign up now to ensure your space!

Please click here to register

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, January 9
ALL SECTIONS SIDE BAR CLE
CBA Presidential Visit
Presented by CBA President Kathleen Hearn Croshal
& Justice Richard Gabriel
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, January 14
FREE LEGAL CLINIC IN LAFAYETTE

5:30 PM @ Lafayette Senior Center (103 S. Iowa Avenue)

Please click here to volunteer

Wednesday, January 15
FAMILY LAW
Judicial Perspectives
Presented by Judge Patrick Butler, Judge Nancy
Salomone & Magistrate Monica Haenselman
12:00 - 1:30 pm @ Boulder County Court Jury Assembly

Room (1777 6th St)

\$35 CLE & Lunch, \$20 New/Young Lawyer, \$10 No CLE **Please click here to register**

Thursday, February 6 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.

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THE PRACTICE OF FAMILY LAW

HELEN P. TOWLERTON, ESQ.

When I transitioned into family law from a general business practice a dozen plus years ago, I made a conscience decision to frame it within the context of helping people build new lives and family structures. I knew I could only work in family law if I thought of it as creating something new, rather than tearing something apart.

Family law does present a number of challenges, many of which hit us where we are most vulnerable. Not the least of which is the health and safety of our children. What can be more personal, more primal, more fierce than the love of one's child?

Beyond primordial considerations, our U.S. Supreme Court has held that there is a fundamental right under the 14th Amendment for a parent to oversee the care, custody and control of a child. Troxel v. Granville, 969 P.2d 21 (2000).

As we know too well, while a person may have any number of 'rights,' there is no guarantee that he or she is capable of, or even remotely interested in, exercising that right in a manner many of us would consider responsible, much less healthy. You don't have to be a family law practitioner to be horrified by the nearly daily reports of child abuse and neglect, even death, that strain credulity. As a family law practitioner, our ability to effect real change for the benefit of the children of our clients is often constrained by a number of factors including the mental health of the parents, extended family, availability of resources, and my greatest frustration - opposing counsel who share the polarized views of their client.

Over the years, our legislature has tried to bridge the considerable gap between a parent's right to 'care, custody and control' and the protection of a child's best interests. CRS 14-10-124 Best interest of child provides several factors for the parties and court to consider when determining parenting time arrangements. The two factors I have experienced to be priorities in the court's consideration are (1) the ability of the parties to encourage the sharing of love, affection, and contact between the child and the other party and (2) the ability of each party to place the needs of the child ahead of his or her own needs. There's quite a long distance



between CRS 14-10-124 Best interest of child and the reality codified in CRS 14-10-129, that there are times when an adult's parenting time would endanger the child's physical health or significantly impair the child's emotional development.

I have been fortunate in my practice to have not had to confront issues of physical abuse by a parent. But there is little solace in not having to deal with physical injury, when the emotional trauma I see parents inflict on their children is every bit as damaging and in fact, even more so to the extent that the psychological injuries inflicted on the child are irreparable or otherwise life altering. How many of us have worked with someone and over time, come to realize that the pathology our client is expressing is in fact the legacy given them by their mother or father?

A child's response to their parents' divorce is affected by many moving parts including but not limited to each parent's personality, his or her negative and/or positive beliefs and behaviors, sibling relationships and extended family, intense marital conflict - both before and after separation, and lack of functional co-parenting.

Anecdotally, it's been my experience that the inability of a parent to put their child's needs ahead of their own inevitably results in a lack of functional co-parenting. I cannot count the number of clients who, when I have advised them to ignore some perceived slight or to "be the bigger person" wailed "Why me?! Why do I have to be the bigger person?!?"

FAMILY LAW CONTINUED

It's times like those that make me think fondly of a former District Court Judge who routinely welcomed family law litigants to his courtroom with a stern warning that they were fools if they thought that the person in the black robe on the bench, the man who had no idea who they or their children were, could possibly make better decisions for their children than they could.

I suppose it's the time of year that makes me nostalgic for simpler times and failing that, I would settle for a bit more compassion and common sense.

Children love their parents. With limited exceptions, they should be encouraged in that love. They should not

be expected to take on our fears, our anger, our resentments or our disappointments. As family law professionals, I encourage us all to do our part to encourage our clients to leave their children a legacy of kindness and grace.

And on that note, I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year.

Helen P. Towlerton, Esq., is a current Co-Chair of the BCBA Family Law section.

BCBA JOBS BOARD NOW ACTIVE

We have added a Jobs Board and classified page to the BCBA website; <u>please click here to view</u>. Do you have a job posting or classified you would like listed on the BCBA Jobs Board? The pricing for these listings is for 30 days: \$40 for current BCBA members, \$60 for non-members. Submitted listings will also run in the BCBA newsletter. <u>Please click here</u> to submit your listing.



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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.

A PRECIOUS CHILD GIFT DRIVE

Thank you all for your generosity! With your help, the BCBA collected over 80 gifts for children in need. We appreciate all the support for the third year of our participation in this worthy program, and look forward to filling even more needs in 2020!



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JENNIFER LORENZ

With the dawn of the 1920s came significant change in the United States. The Roaring 20s was an era of economic and cultural recovery, and growth following years of devastation from the Great War.

The Roaring 20s gave women a voice. On August 18, 1920 women were finally awarded the right to vote in the United States. The 19th Amendment was passed by Congress in June 2019 but ratified over a year later.

Many states and territories had already granted women suffrage before 1920. In 1869 the Wyoming Territory was the first to give women the vote. Wyoming's lead was quickly followed by the Utah Territory in 1870 and the Washington Territory in 1883.

In 1902 women from 10 nations met in the Nation's capital to plan an international suffrage rally. Clara Barton was among the speakers. Her speech, a plea for equal rights and human rights, can be found by clicking here. Ms. Barton is known for her incredible efforts as a nurse during the Civil War and as the founder of the American Red Cross, but she was also a trailblazer for women's rights. In 1846 she was the first female to work at the U.S. Patent Office where she demanded and was awarded equal pay with her male counterparts.

On January 12, 1915, a suffrage bill was brought before the United States House of Representatives, and the bill was defeated.



Clara Barton- Suffragist

Numerous suffrage organizations emerged across the United States. The National American Woman Suffrage Association, closely associated with Susan B. Anthony, was at the forefront of the suffrage movement. Some women were militant in their plea to vote and would not remain silent. On November 14,

1917,the "Night of Terror," 33 suffragists from the National Women's Party, were arrested for protesting outside of the



White House. These women were beaten and tortured at the Occoquan Workhouse, a prison in northern Virginia. Many women went on hunger strikes while in prison and, in response, were further beaten and force fed. Their stories outraged the Nation and garnered support for the 19th Amendment.

In January 1918 another suffrage bill was brought before the House and President Woodrow Wilson made an impassioned and publicized appeal in support. The amendment barely passed. The vote was then carried into the Senate. Again, President Wilson made a plea to the Senate, but on September 30, 1918, the amendment failed, two votes short. On February 10, 1919, it was again voted upon, and it was again lost, this time by only 1 vote.

On May 21, 1919 President Wilson called a special session of Congress, and a bill, introducing the 19th Amendment, was brought before the House, again. It passed. On June 4, 1919, the amendment was brought before the Senate, and it passed. After languishing in Washington for months, on August 18, 1920, the 19th Amendment was finally ratified and passed into law, Nationwide. Women were allowed to vote for the first time in the 1920 Presidential election, Warren Harding v. James Cox.

Shortly after gaining the right to vote, in March 1923 women were allowed to join the legal profession following the passage of the Women's Legal Practitioners Act 7 of 1923.

1920 was the dawn of a new progressive decade that finally gave women a voice and the right to vote. Here's to the dawn of the 2020s and all the wonderful new things to come.

2020 Boulder County Bar Foundation



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'oeurves 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.

Justice For All Ball Available Sponsorships

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



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Questions? Suggestions?

Please contact Executive Director Laura Ruth at 303-440-4758 or laura@boulder-bar.org.

2020 PROBATE COURT DATES

Beginning January 2020 the Probate days for the Boulder County District Court will be Tuesday for Division 3, Wednesday for Division 2, and Thursday for Division 5.

January 14 for division 3 January 15 for division 2 January 16 for division 5 February 05 for division 2 February 11 for division 3 February 13 for division 5 March 10 for division 3 March 11 for division 2 March 12 for division 5 April 7 for division 3 April 8 for division 2 April 9 for division 5

May 5 for division 3 May 6 for division 2 May 7 for division 5 June 2 for division 3 June 3 for division 2 June 4 for division 5 July 14 for division 3 July 15 for division 2 July 16 for division 5 August 11 for division 3 August 12 for division 2 September 8 for division 3 September 9 for division 2 September 10 for division 5 October 6 for division 3 October 7 for division 2 October 8 for division 5 November 3 for division 3 November 4 for division 2 November 5 for division 5 December 1 for division 3 December 2 for division 2 December 3 for division 5

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No Probate docket for division 5

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Bar Foundation. Jane has been recognized in various publications as being a "top lawyer" in her field, including recognition in "5280 – The Denver Magazine," Colorado Super Lawyers and Colorado Best Lawyers. Jane is also a current trustee for the Community Foundation of Boulder County.

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January 27 TBD TBD

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: January 14, 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 Boulder Free Legal Clinic was held on December 19. Thank you to the attorneys who were able to serve as volunteers:

Scott Hamerslough Ted Bendelow

Bruce Wiener TJ Willard

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PRO BONO REFERRALS

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

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OFFICE SPACE FOR LEASE. Single 190 sq. ft. office in office suite with a CPA firm and financial advisor. Convenient location at 1510 28th Street, plenty of parking. Includes use of conference room, kitchen and internet access. Monthly rent \$1,000. Contact Brian at brian@gibbscpas.com, or 303-449-7334.

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