# Boulder county BAR ASSOCIATION

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### **CARRIE FRANK**

I know the New Year starts on January first. But every year, since I was a kid, it always felt like the "new year" began in September. School started (growing up in New York, school always began after Labor Day), the new TV series were lined up, the weather was changing, and the "lazy days" of summer were making way for the excitement and hustle and bustle of holidays to come; yes, even the official New Year. September was a time to begin again and get back in the swing of things.

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The same seems to hold true for the Boulder County Bar Association. The summer is quiet; at least it might look that way from the outside. On the inside of the BCBA, we have been preparing for and working on the new year to come. Our new board members joined on July 1, we had our annual meeting at the Boulder Reservoir, the board planning retreat, and we figured out the calendar for the year. We have been updating the BCBA By-Laws to get the whole membership involved in voting so that the process is more inclusive, and we revised the CLE payment schedule so that the programs through the BCBA will now be free for members. We are finalizing the details for the first ever, and hopefully annual, chili cook-off with food prepared by the board members themselves; and while I was hoping for square dancing, I was strongly outvoted. And, we have been organizing our committees, seminars/CLE programs, and other activities to find something for everyone throughout the year. I believe we have an exciting line-up coming but we still need and want your help.

Many events put on by the BCBA are organized by its sections so that programs are chosen to be of

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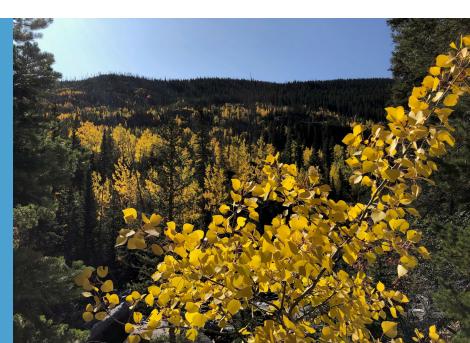
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interest to the members. We still have a few sections that need chairs. Section chairs are a great way to get involved, or stay involved, in the BCBA. It is a wonderful way to meet people in your practice area, to expand your community, and to get your name out. We are looking for chairs for Employment, Diversity and Inclusion, Natural Resources, and Real Estate sections so if that is your area, please let us know.

If you need your coffee and food fix in the morning, the BCBA also hosts Bagels with the Bar on Wednesday from 8:30am to 10:00am. While it was more casual during the summer months, September will return to each ofthe sections being highlighted. Please check the

calendar and website for which section will be featured for this fun morning event, skip the donuts at home, and come join us for breakfast. We cannot let those Moe's Bagels go to waste.

The BCBA also has a slate of events which are educational, fun, or both depending on your participation! Coming up next week is a Louisville Happy Hour at Murphy's Tap House on September 8. So those members in Longmont do not feel left out, we have planned a Longmont Happy Hour on September 22 at Bootstrap Brewing. The Paralegal section will host a lunch and learn on September 28 and there will be an Alternative Dispute Resolution seminar in the line-up for September (date TBD), followed by a Family Law program in October. Watch for the listing of other multi-hour and one-hour virtual CLE programs in the newsletter and website. There is always a need for the last minute CLE credits in the last quarter of the year and the BCBA is here to help make sure we all stay in compliance. Finally, the BCBA is working with There With Care on a food drive and we will provide the details as soon as they are finalized.

So, let's dust off the "lazy days of summer" and get back in the swing of things. Together.

I look forward to seeing old friends and new faces.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Wednesday, September 7 Bagels with the Bar - Employment Law

8:30 - 10:00 AM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.) Free for BCBA Members

#### Thursday, September 8 Louisville Lawyers Happy Hour

4:30 - 6:00 PM @ Murphy's (585 McCaslin Blvd) \$15 to attend Please click here to register

### Wednesday, September 14 Bagels with the Bar - Family Law

8:30 - 10:00 AM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.) Free for BCBA Members

#### Wednesday, September 21 Bagels with the Bar - Business Law

8:30 - 10:00 AM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.) Free for BCBA Members

#### Thursday, September 22 Longmont Lawyers Happy Hour

4:30 - 6:00 PM @ Bootstrap Brewing in Longmont (142 Pratt St) \$15 to attend Please click here to register

# Tuesday, September 27 The Team Approach to Estate Planning: Perspectives from Team Members Presented by Kurt Hofgard, Dayna Roane, and Jorin Bale

3:30 - 6:00 PM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.) \$35 for BCBA Members Please click here to register

### Wednesday, September 28 Bagels with the Bar - Civil Litigation

8:30 - 10:00 AM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.) Free for BCBA Members

### Wednesday, September 28 Paralegals Lunch

12:00 - 1:30 PM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.) Free for BCBA Paralegals

#### Saturday, October 15 BCBF Chili Cook-Off

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM @ Altona Grange (9386 N 39th St, Longmont)

### **Seeking CLE Topics & Presenters**

As the summer winds down and we look forward to fall programs and events, we need your help. CLE programs through the BCBA will now be <u>free for members</u>, and while we will continue to offer one-hour virtual Home Study programs that can be accessed 24/7 through our website, we also plan to offer at least one in person multi-hour program per section during this CLE season. We are interested in brainstorming topics and recruiting presenters who would be willing to be a part of these presenting panels: we want to offer programs <u>you</u> would be interested in, so we would love your suggestions and feedback. Please use the Google Form link below to provide with suggestions, ideas, and your availability if you're willing to receive teaching CLE credit for presenting a solo or group BCBA program.

Google Form link here: <a href="https://forms.gle/oVnSCogmmmNF48SE6">https://forms.gle/oVnSCogmmmNF48SE6</a>

# BCBF CHILI COOK-OFF IN OCTOBER

Your help needed! The Boulder County Bar Foundation is hosting its first annual chili cook-off at the Altona Grange in Longmont on October 15. We are seeking:

- Vendors
- Live musicians
- Chili cooks

If you are interested in participating or have suggestions, **please email us** today!





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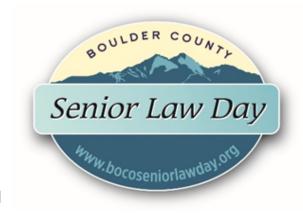




# **BOULDER COUNTY SENIOR LAW DAY 2022**

This year, Boulder County Senior Law will resume as an in-person event! After two years of presenting virtual webinars, this legal education event for seniors will return on Saturday, September 24, 2022 from 9 AM until 1 PM at the Boulder Jewish Community Center, located at 6007 Oreg Ave., Boulder, CO.

This free event features a keynote speech by Boulder County District Attorney Michael Dougherty on Abuse in Later Life, as well as several other presentations on legal topics of importance to older adults and caregivers.



Our popular Ask-A-Lawyer sessions will also resume in-person. Senior Law Day attendees can sign up for a free 15-minute consultation with an attorney on a walk-in basis during the event. Lawyers who specialize in a variety of senior-related practice areas will be on hand.

The event is free to attend. Pre-registration will be available through our website and—though appreciated—is not required to attend. Attendees may pick up a free copy of the Colorado Bar Association's Senior Law Handbook at the event while supplies last. Coffee and a continental breakfast will be available at the event.

For more information, and for information about the event, please visit our website at: <a href="https://www.bouldercountyseniorlawday.org/">https://www.bouldercountyseniorlawday.org/</a>.

# OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE AT THE BCBA

The BCBA has a unique opportunity for individual attorneys or even a small firm with a new permanent office. This is a great way to instantly grow your network and have access to all the bar association has to offer. Each office is approximately 250 square feet with full access to the conference rooms, patio, kitchen, and full open workspace. Utilities, internet and phone are all included along with use of copier. Parking is free, and our location is incredibly convenient to both Boulder and Longmont. We are offering an introductory lease rate of \$800 per month for the first 6 months and \$1000 per month after that. Please <u>click here</u> for additional photos, and contact <u>Kyle</u> or <u>Laura</u> for more information.







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After nearly two decades of serving her clients at S.D. Merritt & Associates, P.C., Shelly Merritt has moved her legal practice to Berg, Hill, Greenleaf, and Ruscitti, LLP.

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Shelby Deeney is an associate at Berg Hill Greenleaf Ruscitti. Her practice consists of criminal defense and personal injury matters.

Previously, Ms. Deeney served as a Senior Deputy State Public Defender in both the Arapahoe County Trial Office and statewide Appellate Division. In her 7 plus years at the Colorado State Public Defender, Ms. Deeney has successfully represented thousands of clients in almost every type of Colorado Court, from trials in county and district court to appeals in the Colorado Court of Appeals and Colorado Supreme Court. Shelby is a compassionate, empathetic, and dedicated defender, who provides the highest quality representation no matter the offense. She works tirelessly to resolve cases creatively by presenting novel legal arguments, collecting mitigation, and negotiating with the district attorney.

We are thrilled to have her on board!

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# **BCBA AUGUST PHOTOS**





**BCBA** at Habitat for Humanity





BCBA Past Presidents' Dinner at Carelli's

# **BCBA AUGUST PHOTOS**



Molly Huston, recipient of Colorado Legal Services Bierbaum Fellowship internship



**August BCBA Happy Hour** 





July BCBA Volunteer Project with Boulder County Open Space - Native Seed Collection

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES**

The BCBA is partnering with community partners and organizations to ensure our membership has monthly volunteer opportunites to participate in. We will send out more detailed information about volunteer events as the dates come closer, but please find the current list below. If you have any suggestions or would like more information about any or all of these volunteer events, please email Kyle. Thank you, and we hope to see as many BCBA members as possible joining us to give back to our community.

#### **September 2022 - There With Care Supplies Drive**

- participation to begin in early September
- Volunteer opportunity includes sorting and preparing donation foods for delivery, and participating in deliveries

#### October 2022 - Vitalant Blood Drive

- Tuesday, October 4 11:00 am 3:00 pm
- Blood drive held at BCBA Office (3269 28th Street)
- Sign up for blood donation

#### **November 2022 - Precious Gift Donation Drive**

- November 11 December 9
- Toy and gift drive benefitting underserved children in the community
- Gift and toy donations needed

# WELCOME NEW BCBA MEMBERS

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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 Boulder County Free Legal Clinics have been replaced with our Virtual Legal Clinic until further notice.

### THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The BCBA Virtual Legal Clinic remains ongoing and has served over 30 people to date. Thank you to the attorneys who serve as volunteers:

Dan Droege Beth Kelley **Amy Stengel** Jennifer Huston Laura Herndon Dipak Patel Sherri Murgallis Maki latridis Lindsey Killion K.C. Cunilio Craig Small Karen Burns Scott Hamerslough Fern O'Brien Susan Spaulding Starla Doyal George Farmer Chris Lane Jeff Skovron TJ Willard Connie Eyester Lila Sol David Harrison Beth Montague Georgiana Scott Ann England Kurt Hofgard

### PRO BONO REFERRALS

Two cases were referred in the months of July and August. Thank you to the following attorneys:

Laura Kinde (x2) Connie Eyster Graham Fuller Chris Jeffers (x2)

### **PRO SE VOLUNTEERS**

There were multiple Pro Se Clinics held in the months of July and August, thanks to the help of the following attorneys:

Kathleen Franco Patricia Riley Shana Beggan

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