

Boulder COUNTY

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AUGUST VOLUNTEER EVENT

Our August Volunteer Event is a homebuilding project with Flatirons Habitat for Humanity. On Friday, August 19, we will be participating in the ongoing Habitat project at their Ponderosa site in North Boulder. Our participation window on August 19 is from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please see the direction below to register for this event through the Flatirons Habitat for Humanity website.

Here's how to sign up to volunteer:

- Go to the [Flatirons Habitat for Humanity website](#)
- See Volunteer, blue box, upper right corner of the page
- Log In or Create Account - you will need a login and password
- Use "Join Code" **BCBA**
- Skip "Affiliations" (Join Code and Affiliations allows you to sign up for a reserved date with a group)
- Complete your account by agreeing to the waiver
- Then go to the calendar and click on "sign up" for Friday, August 19 at Ponderosa

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2022 SONNY FLOWERS AWARD OF MERIT

The Sonny Flowers Award of Merit is the highest honor given to a member of the Boulder County Bar Association. It is presented to a Boulder County lawyer in recognition of their substantial dedication to the legal process: an unsung hero whose contributions may have gone unnoticed, but who personifies the very best in the profession.

The recipient of the 2022 Sonny Flowers Award of Merit is Star L. Waring. Star Waring is a member of the Natural Resources and Water Law Practice Group of Dietze and Davis.



2022 OUTSTANDING YOUNG LAWYER

The Outstanding Young Lawyer Award is presented in recognition of the achievement of a lawyer in practice in Boulder County who has been admitted into the bar for less than 5 years, or who is 37 years old or younger; whose energy, enthusiasm and ability have contributed significantly during the past year through volunteer services to the community, bar association activities or significant legal achievements.

The recipient of the 2022 Outstanding Young Lawyer Award is Carly Bovey. Carly Bovey (formerly Crist) started practicing in 2019 and has since that time served as a deputy public defender in the Boulder office.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, August 3

Bagels with the Bar

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

Free for BCBA Members

Wednesday, August 10

Bagels with the Bar

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

Free for BCBA Members

Thursday, August 11

BCBA Summer Happy Hour

5:00 - 6:00 PM @ BCBA Office (3269 28th St.)

Free for BCBA Members

Please click [here](#) to register

Wednesday, August 17

Bagels with the Bar

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

Free for BCBA Members



Wednesday, August 24

Bagels with the Bar

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

Free for BCBA Members

Wednesday, August 31

Bagels with the Bar

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

Free for BCBA Members

The BCBA is Seeking Section Chairs

The BCBA is seeking attorneys interested in serving as Section Chairs for the following sections:

Business Law

Civil Litigation

Diversity & Inclusion

Employment Law

Natural Resources

Real Estate

Paralegals

Solo/Small Firm

If you are interested in finding out more about serving as a Section Chair, or would like to volunteer for a specific section, please [contact Kyle](#) for more information

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

CARRIE FRANK

If we have not already met, allow me to introduce myself. I am Carrie Frank, the newly installed President of the BCBA. I have a small, Plaintiff's personal injury practice with my law partner, Beth Klein. First, I would like to express my gratitude to the staff at the BCBA, Brett Landis as immediate Past President, and the other BCBA officers and board members. The hard work of everyone keeps the organization running smoothly. I also want to thank all of the BCBA members. It is because of all of you that the BCBA remains a vital and thriving association despite COVID and lockdowns and busy schedules.

In Brett's last President's Page, she expressed her sadness and anger at the recent mass shooting events in May, and the feeling that something in society is "broken." I share her concerns. My Presidency has begun with more than a dozen mass shootings[i] with more than 220 people shot during the July 4th weekend.[ii] I have watched Supreme Court decisions deepen the division of this country and I fear for voting rights. I have found that as a "Plaintiff's lawyer" it is easy to feel that I am on the "right side" of the argument. But I am most effective when I understand my opponent's position. We, as attorneys, must be able to listen to arguments on both sides, to protect the rights of all individuals equally, and to reach a reasonable if not amicable, resolution.

What can we do as individual lawyers to bridge the current divide? We can explain the law, even if we don't agree with it. We can fight for the rights of all individuals, and do so fairly. We can use our experience and knowledge and skill to argue for a change in a law or for maintaining a law in which we believe. We can continue to uphold the oath when we passed the bar recently, or as I did, many, many years ago.

I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that:

I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Colorado; I will maintain the respect due to courts and judicial officers; I will employ such means as are consistent with truth and honor; I will treat all persons whom I encounter through my practice of law with fairness, courtesy, respect and honesty; I will use my knowledge of the law for the betterment of society and the improvement of the legal system; I will never reject, from any consideration personal to myself, the cause of



the defenseless or oppressed; I will at all times faithfully and diligently adhere to the Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct.

Yet even as I read that oath, I am reminded that in these past two and a half years, we have lost touch with each other, the contact and community and helps us get to know the lawyers "on the other side," that develop the friendships or professional contacts, that reminds us that we are more alike than different. Vigorously representing your client can be done honestly and fairly, Fighting hard for your client is not the same as fighting dirty. And if you are having difficulty personally, or with another attorney, handle it professionally, contact the on call attorney on the Professionalism Committee to assist you and get support to resolve the issue.

My first "challenge" as President, is to determine how to "restart" and get us back together, to reinvigorate the comradery. To help accomplish that, the BCBA has put together a series of volunteer projects, one a month throughout the year. They are as varied as the seasons and there should be something for everyone to enjoy. From packing backpacks for school kids, to Habitat for Humanity, to fundraising events, to the Precious Child gift drive. Let's get together and get to know each other again. Let's find the common ground we share, rather than the points of division. Let's work together towards a goal or a project, that helps someone else, so that we can all feel good at the end of the day. Audrey Hepburn once said, "Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you'll find one at the end of your arm... As you grow older you will discover that you have two hands. One for helping yourself, the other for helping others."

Let's help each other. I look forward to seeing you.

[i]<https://www.axios.com/2022/07/05/mass-shootings-july-4-weekend>

[ii]<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/us-gun-violence-shootings-220-killed-july-4-weekend>

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Carrie Frank - President

Carrie Frank has been practicing for almost 30 years, primarily in the area of products liability and personal injury. She is a partner with Klein | Frank, P.C. in Boulder where her practice focuses on cases involving defective products including vehicles, medical devices, drugs and toys and serious auto crashes and other personal injury matters. Carrie has consistently been recognized as a leading attorney in her field, and has been included in Best Lawyers in America, Colorado SuperLawyer, National Association of Distinguished Counsel and the top 3000 attorneys by LawDragon.



Emily Ellison - President-Elect

Emily Ellison is a Longmont attorney who specializes in family law. Emily focuses her career on assisting people involved in tough legal situations. Her goal is to use her legal career to create a positive impact on society. She does this by listening to her clients' needs, understanding how to guide their case to meet those needs, and fighting to obtain results. A dedicated and curious law student, Emily graduated in the top 25% of her class from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law.

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Carolyn Steffl - Secretary/Treasurer

Carolyn Steffl has been practicing law in Colorado since 2002, focusing on special district, local government, water and real property law. She joined Dietze and Davis as a shareholder in 2021. Carolyn serves as general counsel to water and sanitation districts and metropolitan districts throughout Colorado. She has extensive experience with open meetings and open records law, and other special district matters.



Jodi Martin - 2020-2023 Board Member

Jodi Martin relocated to Colorado in 2012 to pursue a practice focused on her passion, using her legal experience to help her clients strengthen and protect themselves and their families. In light of her experience, Jodi is skilled in working with clients to resolve disputes outside of the courtroom, but is also prepared to fully litigate matters when needed. At Martin Law Office LLC, Jodi has also focused her energy and legal experience on legal matters impacting the LGBT community, their allies, and individuals impacted by HIV.



Liz Parker - 2020-2023 Board Member

Lizbeth Parker is the Abuse in Later Life Grant Coordinator with the Boulder County Area Agency on Aging.



Alison Gordon - 2021-2024 Board Member

Alison Gordon is an Associate Attorney in her second year of practice at the Polansky Law Firm. She practices criminal defense, with a particular focus on juvenile defense and cases that involve mental health issues. She is a graduate of the University of Colorado Law School, where she obtained a Certificate in Juvenile and Family Law. She is licensed to practice in the State of Colorado, as well as the United States District Courts in Colorado and Wyoming.

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Rachel Mentz - 2021-2024 Board Member

Rachel Mentz is the owner of Mentz Law, P.C., a law firm based in Boulder that helps businesses and individuals resolve commercial disputes in and out of court. Prior to starting Mentz Law, P.C., she practiced complex, commercial litigation in a large, national law firm. A native of Michigan, Rachel also lived in France, Spain, Louisiana, and New Hampshire before making Boulder her home in 2007.



Doug Stevens - 2022-2025 Board Member

Doug Stevens is a member in Caplan & Earnest's litigation practice. He focuses on civil litigation matters, including construction, outdoor recreation, personal injury, commercial and contract disputes, insurance coverage, and products liability matters. Doug has also developed a significant practice advising outdoor recreation providers on various aspects of their legal and risk management needs. He lives in Boulder with his wife, Kelli, and three daughters, Anna, Maren, and Alexa, and enjoys all of Boulder's recreational opportunities, including running, cycling, and hiking.



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Kevin Harlow-Miller - 2022-2025 Board Member

Kevin Harlow-Miller is a graduate of the University of Colorado Law School, where he earned a Graduate Certificate in American Indian Law alongside his Juris Doctor (c/o 2020). Currently completing his second and final year as a Faculty Fellow with the American Indian Law Program at Colorado Law, he has assisted Indigenous clients and colleagues nationwide with issues ranging from land lease conflicts to the incorporation of international law into domestic tribal codes.



Judge Lindsey - 2022-2024 Judicial Ex Officio Member

Dea Wheeler Lindsey was appointed to the bench in April of 2021. Before her appointment Judge Lindsey was a Senior County Attorney in the Boulder County Attorney's office, representing the Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Community Justice Services, the District Attorney and Office of Emergency Management. She also worked in the area of criminal defense in her own practice and for the Colorado State Public Defender's Greeley Office for several years after completing law school at the University of Denver, College of Law in 1999.



Marci Fulton - 2022-2024 CU Law Ex Officio Member

Marci Fulton graduated from Colorado Law in 2004, and returned to Boulder to serve as the Assistant Dean for Outreach, Engagement, and Alumni Relations in 2013. In 2018, Marci joined the Career Development Office as Assistant Dean for Employer Relations and Outreach where she conducts outreach efforts to all employment sectors, counsels students, and provides programming for law students aimed at building professional networks and securing law school employment and post-graduate career opportunities.



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Brett Landis - Immediate Past President Ex Officio Member

Brett Landis is the current managing attorney of Boulder County Legal Services, a Colorado Legal Services office. She graduated magna cum laude from Carleton College in 2004 with a degree in history and theatre studies. She received her J.D. from the University of Oregon School of Law in 2007, where she began practicing law later that year. Brett worked on a fellowship with the Domestic Violence Clinic (now the Survivors' Justice Center) in Eugene, Oregon, focusing on providing civil legal services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence.

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 [click here](#) for additional photos, and contact [Kyle](#) or [Laura](#) for more information.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The BCBA is partnering with community partners and organizations to ensure our membership has monthly volunteer opportunities 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.

August 2022 - Flatirons Habitat for Humanity

- Friday, August 19 - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Home building project near West Four Mile Canyon Creek

September 2022 - Boulder Food Rescue

- participation to begin in early September (date TBD)
- 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

Abigail Gasser

Danilo Gjukovikj

Alison N McMahon

Leah M Hengemuhle

Kelly Lotterhos

Cara O Schenkel

Rachael A Petz

Marquiel L Cade

Brittany M Forrest

Douglas C Hamilton

Elizabeth A Ullman

Grace Vedock

Stephanie R Zehren

Dana R Steiner

Graham D Black

Jolyn N Belk

Lauren Concepcion

Sarah Lauce

Benjamin Winograd

Katia Montesinos

Kevin M Galligan

Linda Hofgard

Catherine Kelly

Alex Hambrick

Samuel Schneider

Gianfranco Sotomayor

Yuzheng Wang

Blake Brockway

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Louise Fliegel

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Michaela Calhoun

James P. Vernon

Matthew Taylor

Lydia R. Holzman

Samuel W. Astorga

Andrew Ken

BCBA SUMMER IMAGES



BCBA 2022 Annual Meeting

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BCBA at the Colorado Rockies



Bagels With the Bar (every Wednesday!)



**BCBA softball team The Low Bar
7-4, finished #4 in the league**

BCBA August Happy Hour

We will be holding a Summer Happy Hour on our front patio on Thursday, August 11 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Food and drinks will be provided: please join us to catch up with your fellow members!

The Happy Hour is free for BCBA members: please [click here](#) to RSVP.

PROFESSIONALISM ON CALL

August 1	Mark Langston	303.440.9684
August 8	Meghan Pound	303.443.8010
August 15	Tom Rodriguez	720.931.3231
August 22	Karl Kumli	303.447.1375
August 29	Trip DeMuth	303.447.7775

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 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	Amy Stengel	Beth Kelley
Jennifer Huston	Laura Herndon	Dipak Patel
Sherri Murgallis	Maki Iatridis	Lindsey Killion
Craig Small	K.C. Cunilio	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

Five cases were referred in the months of May and June. Thank you to the following attorneys:

Marianne LuuChen (x2)
Chris Jeffers
Charlene Hunter
Randi Grassgreen

PRO SE VOLUNTEERS

There were multiple Pro Se Clinics held in the month of May & June, thanks to the help of the following attorneys:

Kathleen Franco (x2)
Stephanie Fournier
Shana Beggan (x3)

PRO BONO CORNER

Interested in a Pro Bono case? Please call Kellie at 303-449-2197. CLE credits available for pro bono service.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Associate Attorney. Well-established boutique personal injury law firm in Boulder seeks a full-time associate litigation/trial attorney with a minimum of 5+ years of experience handling personal injury claims from intake through trial. Candidates should have personal injury trial experience. Successful candidates should have excellent written and oral communication skills, be highly organized and motivated, possess excellent research and analytical skills, excellent writing skills, and have litigation and trial experience. Please contact jttenge@tengelaw.com.

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Real Estate & Business Attorney. Lyons Gaddis has an opportunity for a Colorado attorney to join its busy and expanding real estate and business transaction group. The Real Estate and Business Transactions Group is seeking an attorney with experience in real estate, corporate and transactional work representing landowners, developers, individuals and businesses in real estate and business transactions as well as land development and construction projects. The ideal candidate possesses excellent professional judgment, is highly motivated to provide exceptional client service and values the opportunity for personal and professional growth in a collaborative environment. Salary Range (base plus incentive bonus): \$100-\$120K Benefits: Competitive salary, firm paid medical benefits, vision, 401K match up to 12.5%, vacation, sick, and holiday pay are included in salary Please submit your resume and cover letter to careers@lyonsgaddis.com.

Full-time Attorney. Well-established boutique personal injury law firm in Boulder seeks a full-time associate litigation/trial attorney with a minimum of 5+ years of experience handling personal injury claims from intake through trial. Candidates should have personal injury trial experience. Successful candidates should have excellent written and oral communication skills, be highly organized and motivated, possess excellent research and analytical skills, excellent writing skills, and have litigation and trial experience. [Please click here for the full details of this position.](#) Our Firm is professional, reputable and achieves excellent results for our injured clients in a relaxed, fun environment. Compensation package includes starting salary between \$100,000 and \$150,000 (DOE), plus performance-based bonuses available. Excellent benefits including employer paid health insurance, employer matching 401K, paid sick/vacation pay. Flexible work schedule including remote work. TO APPLY: Please send a cover letter and resume, along with references, to jttenge@tengelaw.com.

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