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The Monthly Newsletter of the Evansville Bar Association

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: **Sacha Armstrong**

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH YOUR 365 DAYS?

"We all get the same 365 days. The only difference is what we do with them." ~ Hillary DePiano

Happy New Year! The New Year brings 365 days of new opportunities. Many of us have made resolutions to make changes or improvements in our lives. If any of you are like me, you may have already broken a few of them ... give up sugar (that's a tough one!) and have more patience. The EBA may not be able to help with your resolutions to give up sugar or be more patient, but we can help give you a push to be more organized, procrastinate less and get more involved with your community.



Now is the perfect time to pay your membership dues for 2020 if you haven't already done so. Dues invoices were sent to current members on December 3. Dues can be paid by check (preferred), credit card by calling the EBA office at (812) 463-3201 or by logging in to your membership account at evvbar.org. Members who have not paid by February 15 will be assessed a 10% late fee. Members who have not paid by March 15 will be changed to non-member status. Don't procrastinate!

When you are paying your dues, pay attention to the Section selection. The EBA has many different committees and legal interest sections that provide opportunities for our members to share knowledge of substantive areas of law, primarily through CLE programs for its members; address concerns relative to the specific practice area, and facilitate communications among section members. Our sections and committees are the driving force behind EBA offerings, events and programs. Any member can join one or more Section upon application and payment of the applicable dues. Check the box of the section that you want to be in or most closely aligns with your practice area on your annual dues form.

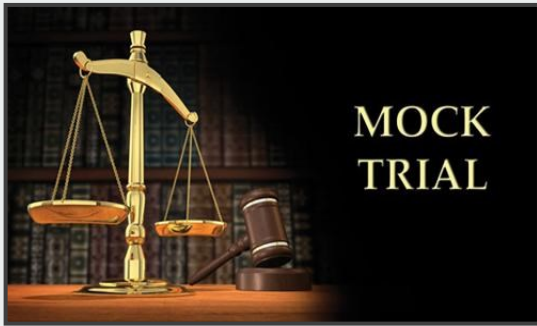
On January 22, please join us as we celebrate those who have been attorneys for 50 years: **Paul Black, Ron Freson, Steve Krohn, Edward Johnson and Tom Magan**. RSVP to make sure that we have enough seating and food. Every year, we have to turn away members at the door. Get organized! Please RSVP at eba@evvbar.org, (812) 463-3201 or register at evvbar.org.

Also on January 22, we will welcome the newest members of our association. To many of us, they seem to get younger and younger every year. However, our Young Lawyers are the future of the EBA! If you are a new lawyer, you need to register for the New Lawyer Bootcamp that will be held after lunch at the Vanderburgh County Courthouse, Courtroom 101. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet members of the bar and judiciary and get valuable information for any attorney practicing in Evansville. To register email eba@evvbar.org or call (812) 463-3201.

Get involved! Opportunities to get involved or just spend a little time with fellow members in the new year include:

- Talk to a Lawyer on January 2 – 4:30-6:00pm and January 21 – 11:30am-1:00pm at the EBA office.
- Morning Mixer on January 9 at Donut Bank on Lincoln Avenue from 7:30ish -9:00. We'd love to see you!
- Ozanam Family Shelter, 1100 Read Street, on January 31— join us anytime 11:00am-1:00pm

We all have many reasons to celebrate the New Year, but the most important among all is to improve our lives and the lives of people around us, happy New Year!



Regional Mock Trial VOLUNTEERS NEEDED*

Saturday, February 8, 2019

In 2020, the YLS and EBA are once again teaming up with the Indiana Bar Foundation to host the Evansville Regional Mock Trial Competition on **Saturday, February 8, 2020.**

In order to host the competition, we must secure volunteers to serve as presiding judges (one per court room) and scoring judges (three per court room). ***Ideally our local judges and magistrates will serve as the presiding judges and young lawyers will serve as the scoring judges. For more information or to volunteer as a Mock Trial judge, please [REGISTER HERE](#) prior to January 19.***

Please contact Christine Pham (Christine.Pham@skofirm.com) if you have any questions about the competition.

****To be eligible to judge the 2020 National Mock Trial Championship to be held in Evansville on May 8 and 9, you are required to judge a regional or state competition. REGISTER TO JUDGE THE EVANSVILLE REGIONAL AND FULFILL THAT REQUIREMENT!***



VLP News

By: Judge Smith and Senior Judge Corcoran

Introducing Pro Bono Indiana

Nearly two decades ago, after the creation of Indiana's IOLTA system, our court system supported the creation of 14 locally-based pro bono districts. In Evansville, our local bench in partnership with the Evansville Bar Association to create the Volunteer Lawyer Program of Southwestern Indiana. VLP quickly became one of the stand-out program of this new system, pioneering programs like our Talk to a Lawyer Hotline and court clinics for self-represented litigants. And then 2008 happened. For a decade all of the programs struggled through the near disappearance of IOLTA support and each struggled to continue its mission of serving needy Hoosiers facing civil legal needs.

As resources began to slowly return with modest increases in interest rates on IOLTA accounts, the court and civil legal aid system began planning how to rebuild. With input from all stakeholders, including leadership of VLP, the Indiana Coalition for Court Access with approval from the Indiana Supreme Court approved a plan that encouraged all of our pro bono programs to merge their administrative operations. This voluntary consolidation would dramatically reduce overhead expenditure allowing more IOLTA funds to support programs and provide a consistent leadership structure to support these vital programs.

While clients and volunteers of VLP are unlikely to notice in change in our local program, VLP and its leadership were chosen to lead this new statewide effort. Ten of the twelve remaining pro bono programs in the state were merged into VLP at midnight on December 31st creating Pro Bono Indiana. Our own Scott Wylie will serve as the initial Executive Director of the new entity while continuing his work leading VLP. Locating the new effort in Evansville is a compliment to all the good work that has been done by VLP volunteers over the years and a recognition of the EBA's longtime leadership in access to justice issued. We hope that you will redouble your efforts to volunteer in the coming months to help this new effort get off to a robust start. Thank you as always for your volunteerism.

EBA MEMBERS LUNCH

JANUARY 22
DOORS OPEN AT 11:30AM
PROGRAM AT NOON
\$15

TROPICANA
WALNUT ROOM

Join us as we honor those who have been attorneys for 50 years and welcome the newly admitted attorneys.

In 2020, we will honor:

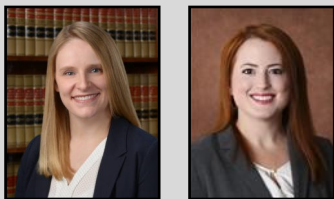
**Paul Black
Ron Freson**

**Steve Krohn
Edward Johnson**

Tom Magan

To make your reservation, call (812) 463-3201, email eba@evvbar.org, or online [HERE](#).

WHO'S DOING WHAT?



Katie Boren of Ziemer, Stayman, Weitzel & Shoulders and **Mallory Deckard** of Kahn, Dees, Donovan & Kahn have been selected to participate in the Indiana State Bar Association Leadership Development Academy Class of 2020. Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Chris Lee** of Wooden McLaughlin who has been named Treasurer of The Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana. Chris will take office January 1, 2020.



On December 5, EBA members had the opportunity to volunteer at Hangers, a clothing resource for EVSC students. Julie Moore Holtz, **Judge Sheila Corcoran**, **Lori Sherman**, **Judge Elaine Brown** and **Tracy Thread** spent the time preparing hygiene kits, packaging clothing items and learning more about the organization. Thank you!



Volunteers from the EBA prepared a breakfast of pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon and fruit for families at the Ronald McDonald House on Washington Avenue on December 13.

Judge Sheila Corcoran, Julie Moore Holtz, **Jackson Ford**, and **Keith and Lan Wallace** also prepared additional items to be used for future meals. Thank you for representing the EBA!



Bar Updates:

Welcome new attorney members **Jerry Garner** and **Ryan Reed**. Please make the following additions and changes to your contacts:

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Visit the EBA website at evvbar.org for current job postings.

Volunteer Opportunities



"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." ~Elizabeth Andrew

In 2020, the EBA will offer opportunities to get involved in the community. If you know of an organization in need, please consider involving your section or committee. It's a great way to get together with friends and give back!

Upcoming volunteer event:
Ozanam Family Shelter
Friday, January 31

Please join us anytime between 11:00am and 1:00pm

To volunteer or have an idea to share, please email Julie Moore Holtz at julie@evvbar.org.



Ryan Parker,
President

Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and in general, very glad tidings to you and your families. Regardless of our beliefs, religions, race or nationality, this season allows us to reflect on the close and beginning of another year. Personally, it seems I always focus on what my family taught me growing up – the idea that fulfillment and contentment comes from what you give and not what you receive during this particular time of year.

As we wrap up 2019, I would like to personally thank all our members and firms that have supported our Foundation this year. Your support is allowing the Foundation to provide much needed resources to many worthy charities right here in Evansville. If you have not yet joined the Foundation's cause, please consider becoming part of this dedicated and distinguished group.

December's spotlighted charity is Voices Inc. (<http://voicesinc.info/>) Voices is an organization focused on addressing concerns and problems arising in Evansville's nursing homes and licensed assisted living homes. Their services help ensure complete and competent investigation of complaints, resolution of problems and protection of resident legal rights in these communities.

Please consider supporting your Foundation by making a small donation today. (<https://www.evbar.org/foundation.aspx>) All donations are tax deductible and reportable under Revised Rule 6.7(a)(3) of Professional Conduct! Thank you and here's to a great 2020!

Donate

LIBRARIAN'S CORNER: THANK YOU!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the William H. Miller Law Library in response to the Law Library Foundation's annual appeal in 2019. Your generous donations and ongoing commitment to the Foundation and the library ensure that the people in this community have "...a quality law library readily accessible to all... at a substantial economic savings to everyone." In addition to this mission, the goals of the Foundation are to preserve, maintain, and enhance the Law Library of Vanderburgh County as a resource center for legal information that serves the courts, bar, and people of Evansville and the surrounding tristate area. You make it possible for our library to remain one of only two county law libraries in the entire state.

To become a 2020 member of the Law Library Foundation, you may use the envelope enclosed in the December mailing or send your contribution to:

Vanderburgh Law Library Foundation
City County Courts Building
825 Sycamore Street, Suite 207
Evansville, Indiana 47708

As always, I welcome your questions, comments, and suggestions. Please feel free to call me at (812) 435-5175 or send me an email kweston@vanderburghcounty.in.gov.



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New Attorney (0-3 Years)

Nicholas Gartner

Paralegal

Rebecca Korba

Law Student

Nicholas Loehr

You can find an up-to-date listing of CLE on the EBA website at evvbar.org
Walk-ins additional \$5

TALK TO A LAWYER TODAY—ISBA VIDEO REPLAY 6 CLE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8
9:00AM-4:00PM - EBA OFFICE

FREE to attendees who agree to volunteer for two (2) Talk to a Lawyer sessions or take one (1) Volunteer Lawyer Program case in the first half (1/2) of 2020.

Member \$180
Non-member \$300

To register call (812) 463-3201, email eba@evvbar.org or click [here](#) to register online.

REVIEW OF INDIANA'S NEW CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES

1 CLE
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 10
NOON - EBA OFFICE

Family Law Section Member \$25
EBA Member \$30
Non-member \$50

To register call (812) 463-3201, email eba@evvbar.org or click [here](#) to register online.

PROTECT YOURSELF! LEARNING THE SECRET SIGNS OF DECEPTION

CLE PENDING
KEVIN CORBIN AND ERIC KROGMAN

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17
NOON - EBA OFFICE

EBA Member \$30
Non-member \$50

To register call (812) 463-3201 or email eba@evvbar.org to register online.

NEW LAWYER BOOTCAMP

3 CLE

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY COURTHOUSE
COURTROOM 101**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019 @ 1:15PM

FREE for all EBA members 0-3 years in practice

EBA members \$90 (more than 3 years)

Non-members \$150

To register for this CLE call (812) 463-3201, email eba@evvbar.org or online [HERE](#).

CLE FAQ Indiana CLE Requirements

What are Indiana's Continuing Legal Education (CLE) requirements?

Attorneys and judges are required to complete no less than six (6) hours of approved CLE each year and at least thirty-six (36) hours of approved CLE per three-year educational period. Also, attorneys and judges are required to take at least three (3) hours of ethics credit anytime within the three-year educational period.

Can non-legal subject matter (NLS) courses receive credit?

Yes. NLS courses are courses that are not substantively legal, but enhance your competence in your individual practice. An attorney may report a maximum of twelve (12) hours of NLS credit per three-year cycle. An attorney may report any or all of the twelve (12) allowable NLS hours in a single course or a given year.

Can distance education courses receive credit?

Yes. Distance education courses are CLE courses that do not require a student to be in the same location as the instructor and do not require an attendant to be at the learning site to monitor your attendance. No more than eighteen (18) hours of CLE in the three-year educational period requirement shall be filled through interactive distance education.

Our goal is to be your preferred source for CLE programming. The Evansville Bar Association offers live courses, video replays and web-based, distance education to fulfill your CLE requirements!

For a complete list of CLE or to use the web-based platform go to evvbar.org.

JANUARY 2020 CALENDAR

01/01	EBA Office Closed
01/02	Talk To A Lawyer - 4:30-6:00pm, EBA Office
01/07	EBA Family Law Section Meeting – Noon, EBA Office
01/08	CLE—ISBA Video Replay: Talk to a Lawyer Today (6 CLE) —9:00am-4:00pm, EBA Office—FREE to attendees who agree to volunteer for two (2) Talk To A Lawyer sessions or take one (1) Volunteer Lawyer Program case in the first half (1/2) of 2020.— REGISTER
01/09	EBA Morning Mixer —7:30am, Donut Bank at Lincoln Avenue and Hwy 41 EBA Board of Directors Meeting —11:45am lunch, meeting at Noon, EBA Office
01/10	CLE—Review of Indiana's New Child Support Guidelines (1 CLE) —Noon, EBA Office— REGISTER
01/14	EBA Paralegal Section Meeting —Noon, EBA Office
01/15	EBA Communications Committee Meeting —Noon, EBA Office
01/16	EBF Board of Directors Meeting —Noon, EBA office
01/17	CLE—Protect Yourself! Learning the Secret Signs of Deception (Pending) —Noon, EBA Office— REGISTER
01/21	Talk To A Lawyer —11:30am-1:00pm, EBA Office
01/22	Member Luncheon —Celebrate those who have been attorneys for 50 years and welcome newly admitted attorneys; Doors open at 11:30am with program at Noon, Tropicana Walnut Rooms— RSVP New Lawyer Bootcamp —1:15-5:15pm, Vanderburgh County Courthouse, Courtroom 101— REGISTER Young Lawyer Happy Hour —5:15pm, The Rooftop—Hosted by the EBA
01/23	EBA Women Attorneys Section Meeting —Noon, EBA Office
01/31	Volunteer Opportunity —11:00am-1:00pm, Ozanam Family Shelter—1100 Read Street— VOLUNTEER

SAVE-THE-DATE

Off the Record with Bench & Bar	Wednesday, February 5—Noon, Vanderburgh Co. Courthouse, Room TBD— RSVP
Women's Attorney Section—Chocolate Night	Wednesday, February 5—5:00pm, Evansville Country Club
Regional Mock Trial Competition	Saturday, February 8—8:00am-8:00pm— VOLUNTEER as a Judge HERE
Memorial Service for Don Wright	Tuesday, February 11—Noon, Old Courthouse, Shepard Courtroom
Law Day Celebration	Friday, April 17—5:30pm, Double Tree Downtown Evansville
National Mock Trial Championship	May 6-9—For more information on how to volunteer*, fill out the form HERE , then more information will be sent to you by the Indiana Bar Foundation.
EBA Annual Meeting	June 2020
Young Lawyers Night at the Otters	June or July—Bosse Field
Trivia Night 2020	Thursday, October 15—Doors open at 6:00pm with Trivia at 6:30pm, The Ballroom at Sauced
31st Annual Estate & Business Planning Institute	Friday, November 6—8:30am, DoubleTree Downtown Evansville
Bench & Bar Conference	December 2020—Exciting news about changes to this event coming soon!

*IN ORDER TO JUDGE THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, you must first judge a round at the regional or state competition.

ICLEF VIDEO REPLAYS @ EBA

For reservations, pricing, or to verify credits or content for the ICLEF video replays, please contact ICLEF at (317) 637-9102.

01/27 Brain Damage: A Life-Long Look, and Understanding the Lawyer's Role—9:00am-4:00pm