

The SUMMATION

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The Monthly Newsletter of the Evansville Bar Association

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Erin Bauer

REMEMBERING THE PAST

Every year, the EBA celebrates its members who have been attorneys for 50 years. The 50-year attorneys' luncheon is my favorite event hosted by the EBA. Perhaps it's my favorite because I like to hear how the practice of law has changed over the years. Or maybe it's my favorite because I like to hear the experienced practitioners impart their wisdom on the new kids. Or maybe it's because I like hearing funny stories from attorneys who enjoy the practice of law so much that they've decided to keep at it for five entire decades. Regardless, it's a great event, and I was very disappointed that we had to postpone celebrating this year's 50-year attorney, Bob Becker. If you see Bob, please be sure to congratulate him and tell him how much we all admire him. We will formally honor Bob in January 2022 with next year's 50-year attorneys.



If you're like me and enjoy history and listening to the old, wise attorneys (and I use the term "old" in the most endearing way) talk about their experiences as attorneys, you should also check out the attorney oral histories on the EBA website. Over the past few years, we have added many interviews to our collection, and we now have interviews of sixty-four (64) of our members

available on the website. As you know, several of our members passed away in 2020, and we are very grateful to have interviewed some of these members before they passed. Their interviews capture amazing stories and memories. It's so nice to be able to watch these videos to remember some of the members we miss so much.

In an effort to preserve the legacy and history of the practice of law in Vanderburgh County, the Evansville Bar Association conducts interviews with notable members of the law community.

Go to <http://histories.evvbar.org/> to view the histories.

Finally, although we had to postpone the 50-year luncheon and many other EBA events typically scheduled earlier in the year, we are happy to announce that we will hold the annual EBA membership meeting this year. The meeting will take place on May 18, 2021 at noon at the EBA office. Please spread the word and bring others from your firm. We would love to start the new EBA term with a great showing. For those of you who are still uneasy about in-person events, we will offer a zoom link so that we can still see your smiling faces at the event. Please RSVP to this event with Ashley in the EBA office at ashley@evvbar.org.



2021 ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 18

NOON

EBA Office or Video Conference*

To RSVP, call (812) 463-3201 or email ashley@evvbar.org

*Limited space at EBA Office. Please indicate at time of registration.

Please join us for the
Annual Meeting
as we celebrate the prior year and elect new
officers and directors to the
Evansville Bar Association Board of Directors

VLP News

By: Senior Judge Corcoran and Susan Vollmer

Access to civil legal aid services for low-income Hoosiers is always a challenge – the need far exceeds even our most generous efforts. The disconnect between need and supply was only multiplied by the pandemic over the past year. Our Courts were closed for months and hearings were delayed; agencies serving the poor went virtual or closed; access points like libraries and churches closed their doors. Despite these challenges, and the fact that many of us worked from our homes, 108 members of the EBA reported providing 1245 hours of pro bono services during 2020 aiding 846 area residents in need. Our staff provided services in addition to those numbers. Combined with the EBA's efforts to promote social justice in the legal system and support our youth through mock trial and other activities, the EBA should be proud of its work. Here are the attorneys who reported more than 50 hours of service in 2020: **Beverly Corn, Steve Culley, Kevin Gibson, Amanda Hall, Jeff Kolb, Kathryn Kornblum, Adam Maday, David Roellgen, Katherine Rybak, Laura Scott, Garvin Senn, Tracy Thread, Keith Wallace, Susan Wilkie, Brian Williams, and Scott Wylie** (if we missed you let Scott Wylie know and we will list you next month).

LRS

DID YOU KNOW...

...the EBA has a Lawyer Referral Service? Let us refer potential clients to you! On average we receive 125 calls per month.

For more information on how to become a member of the LRS, contact Ashley at Ashley@evvbar.org or (812) 463-3201.

In Memory Of...

Members of the Evansville Bar Association who have passed away are remembered by friends and colleagues with contributions to the John L. Sanders Memorial—Evansville Bar Foundation.

Thank you for your contributions in memory of...

The Honorable Tom Capshaw

The Honorable Maurice O'Connor



Daniel Robinson, Jr.,
President

I am sure most are aware of the existence of the Evansville Bar Foundation; however, I suspect some (if not most) are less confident if forced to define the mission of the Foundation or how grants are funded. Hopefully, I can answer both.

The mission of the Evansville Bar Foundation is "Promoting Justice and Improving Lives Through the Law." That mission leads to four areas of focus:

- Encouraging and supporting programs designed to promote a public understanding and awareness of the law.
- Supporting an improved delivery of legal services to the community as a whole, as well as the indigent and our most vulnerable citizens.
- Activities to enhance the performance of the practicing lawyers' professional qualifications and ethical responsibilities.
- Advancing and promoting the administration of justice.

The primary mechanism for supporting these objectives is through the Foundation's endowment. Each year, the Finance Committee calculates the available grant amounts based on an amount equal to 4.5% of the average market value of the endowment for the prior 8 quarters, plus two-thirds of contributions to the Foundation from the prior year, less expenses. Certainly, the Foundation benefits by having such a healthy endowment, but also from the generous contributions from our members.

I hope this helps explain some of the mechanics of the Foundation. As always, thank you for your continued support!

To donate to the Foundation, go to
<https://levvbar.org/foundation.aspx>
or click the **DONATE** button below.

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LIBRARIAN'S CORNER: MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

As you may remember, 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. These goals are ongoing as is the opportunity to support the Foundation through additional contributions. The Foundation can accept donations that recognize someone special, commemorate a milestone, or honor a lost loved one by making a special gift in their name. This additional donation celebrates the important people in your life and makes a lasting impact on the law library.

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



Annual Campaign Donors*

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New Attorney (0-3 Years)

Jackson Ford
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Lauren Hawes
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Law Student

Heather Migdon

Friends of the Foundation

Julie Moore Holtz
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* 2021 Campaign donations received November 1, 2020-April 30, 2021

You can find an up-to-date listing of CLE on the EBA website at evvbar.org

Registration and pre-payment are required by phone at (812) 463-3201, email at Ashley@evvbar.org or online at evvbar.org.

Registrations received less than 24 hours prior to the start of the course cannot be guaranteed. Registrations received two hours prior to start of course will be charged an additional \$5.

Credit will not be reported to the Indiana Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Legal Education (CLE Commission) until payment for the course has been received in full.

PROBATE ADMINISTRATION FROM A-Z: UNDERSTANDING THE PROBATE PROCESS FROM OPENING TO DISTRIBUTION

1 GENERAL/1 DISTANCE EDUCATION CLE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

NOON

EBA OFFICE* OR VIDEO CONFERENCE

REED SCHMITT, DENTONS BINGHAM GREENEBAUM

Probate, Elder Law and Guardianship Section \$25

Member \$30

Non-member \$50

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

*Limited seating at EBA Office. Please indicate at time of registration.

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Breakfast with the Judge

Hon. Andrea K. McCord
US Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of Indiana
1 CLE

Wednesday, May 26

EBA Office* or Video Conference

Registration and Light Breakfast - 7:30am

CLE Presentation - 8:00am

Commercial Law Section \$30

Member \$35

Non-member \$55

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

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Please indicate at time of registration.

Judge McCord will be in attendance at the
EBA office.



WHY **EBA** CLE?
EVANSVILLE BAR ASSOCIATION

CURRENT AVERAGE PRICE OF 6 CLE HOURS

ICLEF - \$375

NBI - \$359

EBA - \$180

OTHER ADVANTAGES OF EBA CLE

- Local Issues
- No Travel Expenses
- Great Speakers

Did you know? Attorneys who
speak at EBA CLE events get
FREE CLE & generally receive
4x the speaking time in CLE
credits.

Is there a topic you would like to learn about and/or
speak about? If so, contact Julie at the EBA Office at



NEW CLE COURSES
AVAILABLE ONLINE!

There are 20 courses to choose from including
general and ethics courses.
Member \$55/hour; Non-member \$75/hour.

Go to the EBA website at evvbar.org and
click the **CLE** button!



Do you have an idea for
a CLE course? Is there
a topic you would like
to learn about and/or
speak about?

If so, contact
Julie Moore Holtz at the
EBA Office at
(812) 463-3201 or
Julie@evvbar.org.

NEED
SOME
HELP?

Have you had problems logging into the
EBA website?

If so, please let us know!

Call Ashley at the office at
(812) 463-3201 or email her at

ashley@evvbar.org.



Randall T. Shepard is a part of the Evansville Bar Association editorial board and former Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court. He has written this article in celebration of Law Day.

RULE OF LAW AND SUCCESS FOR THE AMERICAN EXPERIMENT

Law Day, May 2021

A reporter once asked Alan Greenspan what he thought had led to the long-term success of this country. He was a good person to ask, as the legendary and enduring chair of the Federal Reserve.

One assumption built into the question, of course, was an issue we still debate: just how successful has the United States been? To be sure, our country still has issues on which we have not been altogether successful, like race relations and equal opportunity.

Still, I'll affirm the overall rating of our success by saying that the United States of America has created more opportunity and more security for people from more walks of life than any other nation in the whole history of humankind.

So, what's been the secret of our success?

READ MORE...<https://bit.ly/3vcbaEQ>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

For more information and how to apply, go to evvbar.org, click the MEMBERS tab.

Berry Global is seeking to hire two attorneys for the position of Associate General Counsel to support its U.S. business.

The Law Offices of Steven K. Deig, LLC is seeking a trial attorney primarily in the area of domestic relations.

Department of Child Services is seeking a Local Office Attorney (LOA) in Region 17, located in Dubois County (Jasper), Indiana.

Hewins Law Office is seeking to hire a part-time leading to full-time legal assistant.

Indiana Legal Services has two immediate openings for full time Staff Attorneys.

The Law Office of Jonathan M. Young, P.C. seeks a highly motivated individual who wants to become part of a well-respected law firm in a growing community.



Bar Updates:

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UPDATE

YOUR CONTACT INFO



Have new contact information?
Send an email to Ashley@evvbar.org to let us know!

WE ARE THE EBA



Todd Barsumian, Barsumian Armiger Injury Lawyers—Newburgh Office

23 years in practice this November; Plaintiff's Personal Injury, Wrongful Death and Medical Malpractice

Why did you become an attorney? I was on Castle High School's "We the People" team and was inspired to become a professional arguer by my teacher: the late, great Stan Harris. Later, when I was able to help a young boy who lost an eye to a defective product, I knew my heart was with helping victims of negligence.

What is your favorite activity or hobby outside of practicing law? Watching my kids grow into responsible, young adults.

When you are not working, what are you most likely to be doing? Yardwork, gardening or spending time with my family.

What is the one special part of being an "out of County" attorney you enjoy the most? Trading the commute to the city for a walk in the country.



Marcy Groves, Groves Law

17 years in practice; public defender Vanderburgh County, Guardian Ad Litem Henderson County and Posey County, private practice criminal, collections, contract drafting and divorce / child custody in Henderson/Union/Webster Counties, Kentucky and Vanderburgh, Warrick, Spencer, Posey County, Indiana.

Why did you become an attorney? I always wanted to be a judge and I had to go to law school to do that – so I ended up becoming an attorney.

What is your favorite activity or hobby outside of practicing law? I make jewelry.

What song would you sing at Karaoke night? Take Me Home, Country Roads by John Denver

Tell us a bit about your immediate family. Married to Chad Groves. We have a blended family with 5 children between the ages of 3 and 19.

What is the one special part of being an "out of County" attorney you enjoy the most? Being "out of county" but still being treated like everyone else who is "in county."

What is something on your bucket list you've completed? What do you still want to do? I visited Dry Tortugas National Park. I would like to visit the Grand Canyon and other National Parks out West.

When you are not working, what are you most likely to be doing? Something with my children.

What is your favorite thing about your legal career? The people I work with.

Who is your favorite movie villain and why? The Rabbit of Caerbannog. Res ipsa loquitor.

You are having a cup of coffee with a brand new attorney, what advice are you giving? We are all on a long river in a very short boat. Figure out how to get along, don't throw fellow attorneys under the bus and always act with great kindness, show compassion for the clients and civility towards others ... and try to return telephone calls.

What is something about you that most people don't know? I have coached an archery team of 50 kids between 4-8 grade for the last 4 years.



Joshua Orem, McFadin Higgins and Folz, LLP—Mt. Vernon

7 years in practice; Family law, civil litigation, and some criminal. I also represent the North Posey School Corporation.

Why did you become an attorney? My career in museum administration did not turn out the way I planned.

What is your favorite activity or hobby outside of practicing law? I play drums and guitar –mostly at church. I also like being outside – hiking, fishing, mowing (it balances the intensity of practicing family law).

What song would you sing at Karaoke night? Jessica by the Allman Brothers

Tell us a bit about your immediate family. I've been married to my wife, Lindsey, for 10 years. We have two kids, Samuel (7) and Anna (5).

What is the one special part of being an "out of County" attorney you enjoy the most? A group of attorneys in Mt. Vernon gets together for lunch several times each week. I love the camaraderie and slightly slower pace.

Who is your favorite movie villain and why? Tamatoa from Moana. I love the song Tamatoa sings about being shiny as well as his personality.

You are having a cup of coffee with a brand-new attorney, what advice are you giving? Be nice to support staff and court staff—they will make or break you. Also, read the trial rules and keep reading the trial rules.

MAY 2021 CALENDAR

- 05/04 **EBA Family Law Section Meeting** - Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference*
- 05/05 **CLE—Probate Administration from A to Z: Understanding the Probate Process from Opening to Distribution**
(1 CLE) - Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
- 05/06 **EBA Board of Directors Meeting**—4:00pm, The Rooftop
Talk To A Lawyer—4:30-6:00pm, EBA Office
- 05/11 **EBA Paralegal Section Meeting**—Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference*
- 05/13 **EBA Morning Mixer**—7:30am, Donut Bank on Lincoln Avenue at Hwy 41
- 05/13-15 **National High School Mock Trial Championship**—[JUDGE A ROUND](#)
- 05/17 **CLE—EBA VIDEO REPLAY—How the ADA and Individuals with Disabilities Can Make Employers More Productive**—Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
- 05/18 **Talk To A Lawyer**—11:30am-1:00pm, EBA Office
EBA Annual Meeting—Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference—RSVP at ashley@evvbar.org
- 05/19 **EBA Committees on Racial Equality, Equity and Justice Initiatives Meeting**—11:00am, EBA Office or Video Conference*
- 05/20 **EBF Board of Directors Meeting and Annual Meeting**—Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference
- 05/26 **CLE—Breakfast with Judge Andrea K. McCord**—light breakfast at 7:30am, CLE at 8:00am, EBA Office or Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
EBA CLE Committee Meeting—Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference*
- 05/27 **EBA Women In Law Section Meeting**—Noon, EBA Office or Video Conference*
EBA Young Lawyers Happy Hour—5:00pm, Mo's House
- 05/31 **EBA Office Closed—Memorial Day**

* Log in information is sent in the calendar invite for each meeting. If you would like to participate, contact Julie Moore Holtz at julie@evvbar.org.

SAVE-THE-DATE

EBA Law Day Celebration—Celebrating 110 Years of the EBA In Style

Friday, September 17, 5:30pm; DoubleTree Ballroom in Downtown Evansville

Applied Professionalism Course for New Attorneys—Thursday, September 23, 8:30am-4:30pm; EBA Office

Ethics Potpourri—Thursday, September 23, 8:30am-12:00pm; EBA Office

Trivia Night - Thursday, October 14, 6:00pm; Location TBD

32nd Annual EBA Estate & Business Planning Institute—November 5, 8:30am; The DoubleTree in Downtown Evansville

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT/SHARE or OFFICE SPACE NEEDED

Attorney seeks office/expense sharing arrangement with another attorney(s) with enough space for 1 atty and 1 legal assistant.

OR, opportunity to share office/expense at current office located near the corner of Hwy. 41 and Mt. Pleasant.

Contact Charles@HewinsLaw.com



BE A JUDGE FOR THE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

May 13-15, 2021

REGISTER TO JUDGE THE COMPETITION

<https://2021.nhsmtc.org/actions/register/>

The National High School Mock Trial Championship will take place in Evansville (virtually) May 13-15, 2021. Students from around the United States and abroad will take part in this event. Volunteers are needed to participate as presiding judges and scoring judges.

QUESTIONS? Contact Julie Moore Holtz at (812) 463-3201 or Julie@evvbar.org.