

The SUMMATION

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June 2021

The Monthly Newsletter of the Evansville Bar Association

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Erin Bauer

THIS IS NOT A GOODBYE BUT A SEE YOU SOON!

I didn't realize until this year how difficult it is to draft approximately 500 relevant, unoffensive words each month. When I became Board President, I thought perhaps I could simply steal a prior President's summation articles and pass them off as my own. When I looked back through the archives, however, I realized that Scott Wylie is much too witty for his articles to pass as mine, Laura Scott is much nicer than me, Max Fiester likes wine significantly more than I do, and Clay Havill . . . well, Clay's articles barely made it to print on time. So, I was left to my own devices. This is my last article of my term. I hope I didn't bore or offend too many of you this year.



Despite the little global pandemic we experienced, the EBA was able to accomplish a lot this year. We navigated the virtual world and offered over 126 hours of CLE, as well as section meetings and board meetings, virtually. We hosted the first virtual Trivia Night in the state, raising over \$5,000 for LAS and VLP. We hosted the third Evansville Regional Mock Trial Competition and the National Mock Trial for the first time ever, both virtually. Most of our committees stayed active, and our members continued to connect and participate even when stuck in our homes and offices. In short, we managed to make the most of a pretty horrific year.

Thank you to all who attended the EBA Annual Meeting on May 18, 2021. It was so nice to see more than five people in the EBA office at once and to see faces I had not seen in months. Moving forward, I am excited to see everyone in person again and believe that, over the next year, we will get back to the traditions that make the EBA the best bar in the state. Thank you to the outgoing and incoming Board of Directors for making the EBA success, and thank you to Julie for spoon-feeding me everything I needed to know over the past year. The EBA is in good hands with Andy Ozete, the incoming Board President. If you have questions or concerns about the EBA, meetings, committees, or events, or would just like to chat, feel free to email Andy (aozete@fsolegal.com) at least twice a day with your questions or ideas. It has been an honor to serve as President of the EBA, and I look forward to seeing you all at events in the upcoming months!



EVANSVILLE BAR ASSOCIATION

2021-2022 EBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thank you to the departing Board of Directors Members for their dedicated service:

Erin Bauer
Charlie Berger
Hon. Travis Clowers

Zach LaGrange
Christine Pham
Carrie Roelle

Hon. Les Shively
John Thomason
Trent Van Haften

Congratulations to the Officers and Board Members that will serve the Evansville Bar Association in the coming year:

President – Andy Ozete, FSORS

President-Elect – Joe Langerak, SKO

Vice President – Cliff Whitehead, ZSWs

Secretary/Treasurer – Greg Freyberger, Dinsmore & Shohl

Out-of-County – Nathan Bishop, Curt Hamilton Injury Law

Young Lawyer Representative – Kristen Koewler-Campbell, EFTCU

Judicial Representative – Hon. Gary Schutte, Vanderburgh Superior Court

Prior Board Member – Cathy Nestrack, Retired

Evansville Bar Foundation Appointment – TBD

At Large:

Mag. Matthew Brookman, U.S. Court for the
Southern District of Indiana
Beau Dial, Fine & Hatfield
Trisha Dudlo, Dentons Bingham Greenebaum
Craig Emig, Jones Wallace
Jillian Hanneken, Department of Child Services
Bill Hussmann, Kightlinger & Gray
Laura Nowinski, Law Offices of Steven K. Deig
Patrick Thomas, KDDK
Mag. Krista Weiberg, Vanderburgh Superior Court
Seth Zirkle, Jackson Kelly

VLP News

By: Senior Judge Corcoran and Susan Vollmer

As we begin to emerge from the most challenging time of the pandemic, we can begin to reflect on the work that we have done to ensure access to our justice system under lock-down. In 2020, despite our Court's temporary closure followed by limited services, EBA volunteers provided 1,245 hours of pro bono legal services which would be valued at approximately \$280,125 if purchased in the private market. While this is substantially below the level of most years, this work was vital to keep people housed, maintain utilities, and deal with family violence issues as our community dealt with the shut-down. By moving services to virtual platforms 846 area residents still had their questions answered, forms completed, and cases processed. So, on behalf of the Volunteer Lawyer Program, thank you for your services in 2020. Please continue to volunteer as we deal with the on-going impact of the pandemic. Your work is appreciated.

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...TO THE 2020-2021 COMMITTEE AND SECTION CHAIRS

Magistrate Molly Briles—Access to Justice Committee
Tanisha Carothers—Law Day Celebration (2020 and 2021)
Will Cartwright—Commercial Law Section
Hon. Sheila Corcoran—CLE Committee
Jonathan Danks—Solo/Small Firm Section
Mallory Deckard—Women In Law Section
Raymond Dudlo—Diversity Committee
Kristen Koewler Campbell—Regional Mock Trial Competition
Cory Kuhlenschmidt—Employment Law Section
Krista Lockyear—Real Property Section

Andy Ozete—Editorial Board
Christine Pham—Young Lawyer Section
Jillian Reed—Family Law Section and
Access to Justice Committee
Alyssa Ricker—Membership Committee
Michelle Robinson—Paralegal Section
Kyle Rudolph—In-House Corporate Counsel Section
Joshua Trockman—PEG Section
Magistrate Krista Weiberg—Bench & Bar Committee



Daniel Robinson, Jr.,
President

As my tenure as President of the John L. Sanders Memorial – Evansville Bar Foundation comes to an end, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of those who had a hand in bringing the Foundation where it is today. To all the board members, both past and present, who have served the Foundation, thank you for your willingness to serve. It has truly been an honor. Also, congratulations to the incoming President, Heath Tuley. I know you will do a great job, Heath!

To each of you, members of the EBA, thank you for your generous support. Because of you, our annual campaigns have been successful and our endowment remains as strong as ever. These factors have allowed us to work on pro-active grant programs and future fiscal development that will benefit many non-profit organizations well into the future and ultimately allow us to further the mission of the Foundation.

Finally, I would like to thank Julie Moore Holtz for her tireless work for the Foundation as well as the EBA. Thank you for all of your efforts, Julie!

In closing, I would encourage each of you to continue supporting the Foundation. Together, we can help carry out its mission of promoting justice and improving lives through the law, which is a pretty good way to spend our time and treasure!

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

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2021-2022 FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Congratulations to the Officers and Board
Members that will serve the
Evansville Bar Foundation in the coming year:**

President – **Heath Tuley**

Vice President – **Jimmy Gentry**

Treasurer – **Carrie Roelle**

Secretary – **Barbara Williams**

EBA Representative—**TBD at June EBA Meeting**

At-Large Members

Magistrate Molly Briles

Bob Carithers

Tanisha Carothers

David Harris

Carrie Lynn

Laura Scott

Brent Weil

**Thank you to the departing Board Members for
their dedicated service:**

Thomas Clowers

Dan Robinson

LIBRARIAN'S CORNER: VANDERBURGH LAW LIBRARY FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Vanderburgh Law Library Foundation will take place **Wednesday, June 9, 2021** at 12:00 noon via Zoom video conference. At the annual meeting, we will be electing officers and making plans for the upcoming year. All members of the Foundation are welcome to attend and participate as we support the Law Library in meeting the legal information needs of the courts, the bar, and the community at large. We look forward to seeing you on June 9.

If you or your firm did not receive your member meeting notice in the mail, please let me know. And if you plan to attend the meeting, please contact me with your email address so that I can send you a link to the Zoom meeting. Thanks so much!

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.

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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 Allen Hamilton Sr.

The Honorable Maurice O'Connor

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.

BACK TO NORMAL— WAIT, WHAT'S NORMAL?

1 GENERAL/1 ETHICS

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

NOON

EBA OFFICE OR VIDEO CONFERENCE*

LORETTA OLEKSY, JLAP

JILL CARNELL, JLAP

Member \$30

Non-member \$50

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

*Please indicate at time of registration.



UPCOMING REPLAYS

Tuesday, June 8

12:00pm—Avoiding the Ethical Snow Storms When Working with Clients with Diminished Capacity (1 CLE/1 Ethics)

Thursday, June 10

12:00pm—Family Law Update 2020: Mediating In High-Conflict Cases (1 CLE)

Monday, June 14

12:00pm—Special Needs Trusts, Medicare and Medicaid Planning (1 CLE)

Tuesday, June 15

12:00pm—Atticus Finch and the Rules of Professional Conduct: How Ethical Lessons (1 CLE/1 Ethics)

VIDEO REPLAYS HAVE GONE VIRTUAL!

EBA Member \$30/hr or Non-member \$50/hr, unless noted

Registration and pre-payment required

Email Ashley@evvbar.org or call (812) 463-3201



EVANSVILLE BAR ASSOCIATION

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!

TO RECEIVE EBA MEMBER PRICING, enter your coupon code: eba20mem

**If you attended the live version of the program, you will not receive credit for viewing the program online.*

Don't forget:

Find a full list of
upcoming CLE on
the website at
evvbar.org

WHY



CLE?

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 (812) 463-3201 or julie@evvbar.org.

WHO'S DOING WHAT?



Kelsey France, Paralegal at Carothers Law Office, received the Professional Writing and Rhetoric Major Award for overall outstanding work from the University of Southern Indiana's English Department. Congratulations, Kelsey!

We want to know WHO'S DOING WHAT!

Email us news, updates and photos of personal or professional achievements about you, your firm or other EBA Members to julie@evvbar.org by the 20th of each month to be included in the next Summation.

NOTE: Due to space constraints not all submissions will be included.

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

LAW OFFICE OPPORTUNITY

Money? Hours? Buying into or buying the practice of the Mark E. Neff Law Office gives you an opportunity to be mentored by an attorney with 45 years of experience or to be independent. Flexible terms. If you are frustrated with working too hard for too little pay, or if you know that your present job has an uncertain or limited future, this is your opportunity to move up and out. Great location.

Contact: Mark E. Neff, Attorney
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Bar Updates:

Please make the following updates to your contacts:

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

The Law Offices of Steven K. Deig LLC is seeking a qualified applicant to fill the position of Paralegal.

The Law Offices of Steven K. Deig LLC is seeking a qualified applicant to fill the position of Legal Assistant.

DCS is seeking a Local Office Attorney (LOA) in Region 17, located in Dubois County (Jasper), Indiana. The LOA provides legal advice and legal services to Central Office, county offices and/or DCS staff for juvenile law matters relating to child welfare, child support, and personnel matters.

Gerling Law Offices, a plaintiff's personal injury firm that has been in business over 50 years, seeks a paralegal with litigation experience to grow our team at our Evansville office.

Gutwein Law is seeking a Business Law Paralegal for the Evansville office.

Hewins Law Firm 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.

Kahn, Dees, Donovan & Kahn, LLP, a regional, full-service law firm located in Evansville, Indiana with 30 attorneys, seeks to hire a litigation associate attorney with 0 to 5 years of private practice experience in litigation.

The Vanderburgh County Clerk's Office is accepting resumes for several deputy clerk positions. Starting salary is \$28,384/yr. Great benefits and substantial PTO, including government holidays.

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

WE ARE THE EBA



Lauren Jones, Paralegal, Jones Wallace

What are three (3) fun or interesting facts about you that people may not know? I used to arm wrestle, I have taught children in my church for over 20 years, I worked crowd control when Bill Clinton campaigned in Evansville and shook his hand three times.

What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given? Don't decide to do/or not to do anything based on what someone else may think.

What always makes you laugh? Silliness. Silly TV shows, silly people, sometimes I laugh at other's embarrassing moments...

What song would you sing at Karaoke night? That would definitely make me laugh. Probably something Elvis.

How many pairs for shoes do you own? Guessing 30.

What is your favorite movie? Wonderful Life.

What celebrity would you like most to meet for a cup of coffee? Hoda Kotb.

If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? Lunch – Pizza King Texas BBQ – mild, with extra sauce and a bag of BBQ Grippos.

When you're not working, what are you most likely to be doing? Working out, running with friends, meeting friends.

If you could share a meal with four individuals, living or dead, who would they be? Jesus, my grandmother, cousin, best friend.

Who inspires you? My husband, David.

If you could not work for 1 year, what would you do? Volunteering, helping animals, or assisting the elderly.



Craig Emig, Partner, Jones Wallace

11 years, general practice

Why is it important to be a member of the EBA? To leverage the skills of the legal community to improve the community at large

What is the most valuable asset the EBA has to offer? Why? As the newly elected CLE Committee chair, it's definitely the CLE's. You get to learn tips and tricks from local attorneys and some socializing with others all for the best value around.

What are three (3) fun or interesting facts about you that people may not know? I've been to 46 states, 15 countries; I had orthopedic surgery in Beaufort, SC during Spring Break; quarterback for the high school football team

What are your hobbies? Jogging slowly (more like plodding), riding bicycle, tennis, and family stuff

What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given? Doug Walton told me about fees when he referred me my first client: "You have to shear the sheep but not slaughter it."

What always makes you laugh? Dads getting hit by baseballs batted by little kids

What was your first job? Event-Tent Erector at TRU Events.

Tell us a bit about your immediate family. I have two children, ages 6 and 3. An older brother and older sister, one nephew age 9. Two parents.

What's your favorite family tradition? Chicken in the park when the weather is nice, even though the chicken place by the park closed years ago.

If you could not work for 1 year, what would you do? Campground host at a National Park

What song would you sing at Karaoke night? "What's My Age Again" by Blink-182



William Moore, Newly Admitted

I've been practicing for approximately one year and I'm currently doing volunteer work for the Volunteer Lawyer Program. As for practice areas, I'm really interested in doing estate planning/probate.

Why did you become an attorney? When I was younger, I was in the Boy Scouts. Consequently, I learned the importance of altruism from a very young age. I believe the legal profession is the ultimate form of altruism, which is why I wanted to be an attorney in the first place.

What are your hobbies? Reading, table top gaming, and video games (when I have the time for them, that is).

What song would you sing at Karaoke night? "I Don't Like Monday's" by the Boomtown Rats.

What's your favorite family tradition? Having a prime rib roast dinner on Christmas Eve. I always look forward to it.

What is your favorite movie? The Big Lebowski; One of the most quotable movies of all time.

If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? Crab legs with butter.

What is one thing you will never do again? That's easy, taking the bar exam.

What is something on your bucket list you've completed? What do you still want to do? Going to Japan when I was in high school. I'd like to visit at least one other foreign country in my lifetime.

Who inspires you? My father, he's a very hard worker, and I attribute my own work ethic to him.

JUNE 2021 CALENDAR

- 06/03 **Talk To A Lawyer**—4:30-6:00pm, EBA Office
- 06/08 **CLE—EBA VIDEO REPLAY—Avoiding Ethical Snow Storms When Working with Clients with Diminished Capacity** (1 CLE/1 Ethics)—Noon, Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
- 06/10 **EBA Morning Mixer**—7:30am, Donut Bank on Lincoln Ave. at Hwy 41
CLE—EBA VIDEO REPLAY—Mediating in High Conflict Case-Family Law Update 2020 (1 CLE/1 CME)—Noon, Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
- 06/14 **CLE—EBA VIDEO REPLAY—Special Needs Trusts, Medicare and Medicaid Planning** (1 CLE) - Noon, Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
- 06/15 **Talk To A Lawyer**—11:30am-1:00pm, EBA Office
CLE—EBA VIDEO REPLAY—Atticus Finch and the Rules of Professional Conduct: How Ethical Lessons Sixty Years Ago Remain Relevant Today (1 CLE/1 Ethic) - Noon, Video Conference—[REGISTER](#)
- 06/16 **EBA New Board Member Orientation**—11:00am, EBA Office
EBA Board of Directors Meeting—Lunch at 11:45am, Meeting at Noon, EBA Office
- 06/17 **EBF Board of Directors Meeting**—Noon, EBA Office
- 06/22 **CLE—Back to Normal - Wait, What's Normal?** (1 CLE/1 Ethics) - Noon, EBA Office—[REGISTER](#)

* 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

CELEBRATE 110 YEARS OF THE EBA...IN STYLE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

DOUBLETREE— DOWNTOWN EVANSVILLE

5:15PM

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE 110 YEARS OF THE EVANSVILLE BAR ASSOCIATION,
 THE RETIREMENT OF JUDGE JEFF TORNATTA AND JUDGE RICHARD D'AMOUR, AND
 THE DORAN E. PERDUE AND JAMES BETHEL GRESHAM AWARD RECIPIENTS