

The SUMMATION

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The Monthly Newsletter of the Evansville Bar Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Yvette LaPlante

On March 20th, the EBA recognized a paralegal and a legal secretary who have provided exceptional work over the course of their careers. Sharon Brantley of Old National Bank received the Outstanding Paralegal Award. The attorneys at ONB advise that Sharon "has a reputation for going above and beyond to support attorneys in the department without being asked to do so... she extends her support to employees and customers..."



We also recognized Gayle Schmidt of Kahn, Dees, Donovan, & Kahn with the Florence Britzius Award for being this year's outstanding legal secretary. The lawyers of KDDK describe Gayle as "set[ting] an example for others to follow with her dedication, dependability, compassion, composure, and positivity." Both award recipients were described by their nominators as mentors to other paralegals and attorneys. They are invaluable members of their respective teams and the bar association.

Sharon and Gayle are not the only non-attorneys who are integral parts of the EBA. The bar association's paralegal section is one of its most active sections. Chaired by Lauren Steed of Magistrate Brookman's office, this year's section hosted CLE's, provided its members with up-to-date information about their profession, offered continuing education on topics relevant to paralegals, and completed a community service project. The section started its year with a CLE on Indiana Notary changes. At Christmas, they sponsored a toy drive to assist the Department of Child Services with providing toys to children for the holidays. In March, Judge Shively joined the meeting to discuss two proposed modifications for Guidelines Nos. 9.5 and 9.7 of the Rules of Professional Conduct for attorneys regarding paralegals. The section also has plans for additional CLE and other service projects. In other words, the paralegal section is really impressive.

There's no doubt that our collective day-to-day lives are better because of the assistance of our individual paralegals and legal secretaries. But I think we sometimes forget that as a section, they improve the legal community as a whole. In advance of Administrative Professionals' Day at the end of this month, I want to thank the paralegal section for all that it does to make the EBA a great organization.

Law Day

celebration

Friday, April 26
 Evansville Country Club
 5:30pm Cocktail Reception
 6:15pm Silent Auction Opens
 6:30pm Program

Hors d'oeuvres, passed beer and wine, cash bar

\$60 per person

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Thank you to our Law Day Celebration sponsors...

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VLP NEWS

By: Judge Smith and Senior Judge Corcoran

At the March EBA Member Luncheon, VLP was proud to present the Susan B. Helfrich Award for Excellence in Pro Bono Service. Members of the Evansville Bar Association provide pro bono services in many ways. Some serve with Teen Court, others assist non-profit groups. Some help seniors with their taxes through VITA and others through the Juvenile Court with CASA. Many have participated in the 231 Talk to a Lawyer Sessions that VLP and the EBA have hosted in the past seventeen plus years – including **Ole Olson** who has helped at 138 of those sessions. But at its core, VLP is charged by the Court with cajoling members of the EBA to accept low income and senior clients into their practice for representation. VLP's clients are all poor and are often difficult to serve due to their life circumstances and other barriers, but they depend upon member of the EBA for access to our courts and justice. This year we recognized two attorneys with the Susan B. Helfrich Excellence in Pro Bono Service Award for their participation in that work. **David Kent**, of the Law Firm of Johnson, Carroll, Norton, Kent & Goedde, has served the EBA in many ways and especially distinguished himself as a Board Member of our friends at the Legal Aid Society of Evansville. Since 2003 he has accepted 38 client matters from VLP and helped dozens more clients that he accepted on his own. **Susan Wilkie**, of the Law Office of Susan Wilkie, is an active volunteer with Teen Court and was instrumental in helping get our new Mock Trial Regional Event underway. Since 2008 she has accepted 46 client matters from VLP and helped many more clients on a modest means basis. Congratulations to both. Please consider following their example and taking a case next time you are asked. To accept a case, please contact Scott Wylie at vlpwylie@sige.com.net.

2019

**Bench
& Bar**
 conference

Thank you to co-chairs Magistrate Michael Cox and Steve Hoar as well as the entire committee for making the 2019 Bench & Bar Conference a success!

Thank you, too, to presenters Mark Foster, Hon. Robert Pigman, Hon. Les Shively, Hon. Richard D'Amour, Katherine Rybak, Hon. Margret Robb, Terry Harrell, David Guerrettaz, Ross Rudolph, Tim Born, Jim Boyers, Rob Simmons and John Babione for taking time to share your knowledge.

**GET OUT
 AND
 MOVE!**

First and third Friday of each month
 EBA Office at Noon

Get out of your office, take a walk*
 and get to know your colleagues!

*Don't forget your walking shoes

WHO'S DOING WHAT?

2019 EBA Support and VLP Awards

On March 20, awards were presented to an outstanding legal secretary and paralegal, and also those attorneys who distinguished themselves through their work with the Volunteer Lawyer Program.



Congratulations to Sharon Brantley of Old National Bank for receiving the 2019 Outstanding Paralegal Award.
Lt to Rt: Rhett Gonterman, Kelsey Stroud, Jeff Knight, Sharon Brantley, Cindy Parker, Keaton Miller, Tom Washburne and Mindy MacAnally



The 2019 Florence Britzius Award was presented to Gayle Schmidt of Kahn, Dees, Donovan and Kahn. Congratulations, Gayle.

Lt to Rt: Jeffrey Helfrich, Gayle Schmidt, John Hegeman and Matt Malcolm



Congratulations to Susan Wilkie and David Kent for receiving the Susan B. Helfrich Excellence in Pro Bono Service Award. Thank you for all you do.



A wonderful group from Stoll Keenon Ogden shared their time and talent taking calls at Talk to a Lawyer on March 7.



Bar Updates: Please welcome new student member **Andrew Kuhlenhoelter** and new member **Melanie Pennycuff**. Please make the following changes and additions to your address book:

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Berry Global - The Legal Team is seeking an Associate General Counsel as a member of the Commercial Legal Team to be located in Evansville, Indiana. The selected candidate will play a key role in supporting Berry Sales, Procurement, IMS, Finance, Operations, and other Berry team in their ongoing commercial matters. Apply at www.berryglobal.com

The Law Offices of Steven K Deig LLC is seeking a trial attorney primarily in the area of domestic relations. The employment package includes compensation of up to \$120,000 per year and a 401(k) with a 4% match. The position has a very reasonable hourly work requirement. The firm offers a pleasant work environment where collaboration among the attorneys is welcomed. Contact Steve Deig at (812)477-5577 or steve@deiglaw.com.

The Law Offices of Steven K. Deig LLC is seeking to expand its business and estate planning practice. The firm currently consists of 7 attorneys and 6 support staff. A qualified candidate should have 5+ years of experience in business and or estate planning and have an existing client base. The compensation package is competitive and includes a 401(k) with a 4% match. The hourly work requirement is very reasonable. Contact Steve Deig at (812)477-5577 or steve@deiglaw.com.



Since 2015, the EBA's Protective Order Pro Bono Project has provided representation for approximately 60 survivors.

Thank you to the following people who have volunteered, many volunteering for multiple cases:

Katie Boren	Karen Heard	Arin Norris
Allyson Breeden	Darin Higgs	Kimberly Othille
Mallory Deckard	Joe Langerak	Zach Peters
Raymond Dudlo	Kelly Lonngberg	Jillian Reed
Trisha Dudlo	Frank Mattingly	Patrick Thomas
Royal Gearhart	Carrie Harmon Miller	Keith Wallace

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Molly Briles at mbriles@zsws.com



Kelly Jackson,
President

It's finally spring! While spring cleaning normally refers to your home, it can also apply to your life. If you are looking for ways to "spring clean" your life, consider volunteering - preferably as a Board Member of the Evansville Bar Foundation. If you are interested in serving as a Board Member, please submit a letter of interest to Julie Moore Holtz at julie@evvbar.org by April 4. If you do not have time to volunteer as a Board Member, please consider making a donation to the Foundation. Your tax deductible gift to the Foundation will ensure that the Foundation can continue to help multiple organizations grow and thrive. AND, under the newly revised Professional Conduct Rule 6.7, you can now report your Foundation donation when you complete your annual attorney registration.

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

Donate

LIBRARIAN'S CORNER: MOBILE PRINTING IN LAW LIBRARY

Please remember that members of the Vanderburgh Law Library Foundation are able to print from their smart phones using the Foundation Wi-Fi and an app for the copier/printer. Please see the law librarian for assistance setting up your phone the first time; it does take time to set up. But once the set-up is complete, members are ready to print using their user codes. This service is available in the Law Library for Foundation members only, and printing costs remain the same as current photocopier rates.

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

APRIL: NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

Sacha Armstrong, Co-Chair, EBA Diversity & Inclusion Committee

Sexual Assault Awareness Month is a campaign to raise public awareness about sexual violence and educate communities on how to prevent it. This year's campaign theme, "I Ask," promotes the message that asking for consent is a healthy, normal, and necessary part of everyday interactions, according to the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. <https://www.nsvrc.org/saam>.

National sexual assault statistics are staggering.

- 91% of victims of rape and sexual assault are female, and nine percent are male
- One in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused before they turn 18 years old;
- One in five women and one in 71 men will be raped at some point in their lives,
- One in three women and one in six men experienced some form of contact sexual violence in their lifetime
- Almost half (49.5%) of multiracial women and over 45% of American Indian/Alaska Native women were subjected to some form of contact sexual violence in their lifetime

Please visit the National Sexual Violence Resource Center at <https://www.nsvrc.org/statistics> for a full resource guide.

In Indiana, 14.5% of high school-aged girls and 5.2% of high school-aged boys report being physically forced to have unwanted sexual intercourse according to a 2011 Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS). Indiana State Department of Health, Division of Maternal and Child Health (2012). Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance, 2011, <http://www.in.gov/isdh/20627.htm>.

This year's theme for National Child Abuse Prevention Month is "Strong and Thriving Families." As we know, child abuse is not limited to any one race, religion or nationality. Most reported victims in the United States are white, African American or Latino. However, American-Indian or Alaska Native children have among the highest victimization rate, according to the 2016 Child Maltreatment Study. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/cb/cm2016.pdf>. To raise awareness, the US Department of Health and Human Resources is offering a resource guide that focuses on protective factors that build on family strengths to foster healthy child and youth development. It can be used to assist and implement local community prevention strategies. See <https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth/resources/resource-guide/>.

You can learn more and help local organizations that support children and victims of sexual assault and abuse.

- Hidden Victims: Crimes Against Children is a training session hosted by Albion and lead by Assistant United States Attorney, Kristina Marie Korobov, on April 4 and 5 at Ivy Tech. <https://www.albionfellowsbacon.org/event/hidden-victims-crimes-against-children/>
- Youth First's 17th annual Passport to Adventure Auction will be held on April 11, 2019
- Derby Daze - Holly's House will host its 8th annual Hats Off to Holly's House Celebration on April 12 to support its services to victims of intimate crimes and the *Think First & Stay Safe* personal safety and child abuse prevention program
- On The Ball - Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Ohio Valley is hosting its annual Bowl for Kids' Sake on April 19 and 21
- Take Back the Night - Join Albion on Thursday, April 25 for the 22nd Annual Take Back the Night event to raise awareness of abuse and demonstrate support for survivors.

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

ALL ABOARD!

Parking Lot Chat: Parking Regulations and Ordinances on West Franklin Street

1 CLE

Chris Wischer and Dirck Stahl

Thursday, April 4

Board the TED Trolley for the CLE at 4:25pm

Corner of West Franklin and Sixth Avenue

Member \$35

Non-member \$55

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

LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE!

PROBATE 30 FOR 30: 30 LESSONS I'VE LEARNED IN 30 YEARS OF PRACTICE

1 CLE

BILL BUSSING

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

NOON - EBA OFFICE

Probate Section Members \$25

EBA Member \$30

Non-member \$50

To register call (812) 463-3201, email

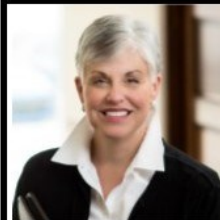
eba@evvbar.org or click [here](#) to register online.



You're invited to the
ALL ABOARD* After Party!

Thursday, April 4
Karaoke begins at 6:00pm
Lamasco Bar

*All Aboard CLE begins at 4:30pm
from Lamasco on the TED Trolley



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The Women Attorneys' Section Presents...

Pathways to the Bench

2 CLE/1 Ethics

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Evansville Country Club

3:00pm

Meet & Mingle to follow at 5:00pm

Speakers include:

Sharon Jackson, Joe Heerens, and Cyndi Carrasco, all
General Counsel for the Office of the Governor

Judge Elizabeth Tavitias of the Court of Appeals

Judge Elaine Brown of the Court of Appeals

EBA Member—\$60; Non-Member—\$100

For more information or to register call (812) 463-3201,
email Ashley at eba@evvbar.org or click [HERE](#) to
register online.

SAVE-THE-DATE

**Lawyers' Weapons Against
Domestic Violence**

CLE Credit Pending

Friday, May 10
EBA Office

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.

APRIL CALENDAR

- 04/02 **Family Law Section Meeting** - Noon, EBA Office
- 04/03 **Business and Commercial Law Section Meeting** - Noon, EBA Office
- 04/04 **Deadline for EBF Board of Directors Letter of Interest**
Membership Committee Meeting - 11:45am, EBA Office
Talk To A Lawyer - 4:30-6:00pm, EBA Office
ALL ABOARD! Parking Lot Chat: Parking Regulations and Ordinances on West Franklin Street (1 CLE) - Board the TED Trolley at W. Franklin and 6th Ave. @ 4:25pm
LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE—[REGISTER](#)
- ALL ABOARD After Party!** - Karaoke begins at 6:00pm, Lamasco Bar & Grill
- 04/05 **Get Out and Move!** - Noon, EBA Office—Get out of your office, take a walk and get to know your colleagues!
- 04/09 **Probate 30 for 30: 30 Lessons I've Learned in 30 Years of Practice (1 CLE)** - Noon, EBA Office—[REGISTER](#)
- 04/10 **In-House Counsel Section Meeting** - 11:30am, Berry Plastics
- 04/11 **Morning Mixer** - 7:30am, Donut Bank (Hwy 41 and Lincoln Avenue)
EBA Board of Directors Meeting - Lunch at 11:45am, Meeting at Noon, EBA Office
- 04/16 **Talk to a Lawyer** - 11:30am-1:00pm, EBA Office
- 04/19 **Get Out and Move!** - Noon, EBA Office—Get out of your office, take a walk and get to know your colleagues!
- 04/22 **Editorial Board Meeting** - 11:45am, EBA Office
- 04/24 **CLE Committee Meeting** - 11:45 am, EBA Office
- 04/26 **Law Day Celebration**—5:30pm, Evansville Country Club—[RSVP](#)
- 04/29 **EBA Video Replay—How to Write Ethically (1 CLE/1 Ethics)** - 9:00-10:00am, EBA Office—[REGISTER](#)
EBA Video Replay—Selling Property in Bankruptcy (1CLE) - 10:30am-11:30am, EBA Office—[REGISTER](#)
EBA Video Replay—Does Transferring Title Transfer Trouble to You? (1 CLE/1 Ethics) - Noon-1:00pm—[REGISTER](#)

SAVE-THE-DATE

- Women Attorneys' Section Presents—Pathways to the Bench (2 CLE/1 Ethics)**
 Thursday, May 16 - 3:00pm with Meet & Mingle at 5:00pm,
 Evansville Country Club —[REGISTER](#)
- EBA Annual Meeting** Monday, June 3 - 5:00pm, EBA Office
- YLS Offers Night*** Thursday, June 13 - First Pitch at 6:35pm, Bosse Field Party Deck
- Ethics Potpourri** Thursday, September 26 - 8:00am-Noon, EBA Office
- Applied Professionalism** Thursday, September 26 - 8:00am-4:00pm, EBA Office
- Trivia Night** Thursday, October 24 - 6:00pm, The Ballroom at Sauced

***COMING SOON...A NEW EBA FAMILY EVENT!**

ICLEF VIDEO REPLAYS

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

- 04/01 **2019 The Roadmap of a Lawsuit: Are We There Yet? Civil Procedures and Practice Pointers from Years of Experience** - 9:00am-4:00pm, EBA Office
- 04/15 **Lawyer and Law Firm Security** - 9:00 am-12:30 pm, EBA Office