

The SUMMATION

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The Monthly Newsletter of the Evansville Bar Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Clay Havill

The Evansville Bar Association's celebration of Law Day.



Once a year, the United States of America celebrates Law Day by honoring the rule of law and its role in our society in protecting the basic freedoms we exercise every day. This year the theme selected by the American Bar Association for promoting Law Day is "Separation of Powers: A Framework for Freedom." The stated goal is to reflect on the checks and balances enshrined in our Constitution and remind citizens that the framework is not self-executing. The EBA has long celebrated Law Day by authoring an article related to the Law Day theme, hosting the annual Mock Trial Program, and gathering for dinner at our annual Law Day Celebration.

Law Day Article : Each year the Editorial Board authors an article in honor of Law Day touching on the theme for that particular year. In that spirit, this year's article highlights our system of shared power and provides examples of the checks and balances among the branches of government. The article discusses the history of the writ of *habeas corpus* to highlight the constant and evolving manner in which the three branches of government have interpreted their powers with respect to this clause. A copy of the article is attached [here](#).

Mock Trial Program : Every year the EBA's Young Lawyers Section is responsible for providing attorneys and coordinating the Mock Trial Program for local high school students. This event is held in connection with Law Day, and it is one of the many ways our attorneys and judges give back to the community. Keaton Miller and Hannah Dill were responsible for making this year another terrific year for the program, and a special thanks to Olivia Robinson and Holly Anspaugh for putting on the luncheon that followed.

Law Day Celebration : The day after the Mock Trial Program we joined together for our annual Law Day Celebration. Lori Underwood and Mallory Deckard chaired this year's Law Day festivities and did an outstanding job decorating and securing sponsorships. We celebrated with a Breakfast at Tiffany's theme, and honored two very important members of our bar association.

Michelle Bryant was awarded the Doran Service Perdue Award because she has been committed to so many causes within the EBA and Evansville Bar Foundation, but such commitment is small compared to the countless hours she has spent over the years helping with the Lawyer Assistance Program. Michelle and many others continue to assist attorneys struggling with addiction or psychological issues by helping fellow attorneys through a difficult time and providing support for their practice if needed. Michelle's contribution to the EBA and the impact she has made on local attorneys is second to none, and she is most deserving of the Doran Perdue Service Award.

The James Bethel Gresham Freedom Award is the highest award bestowed by the EBA, and it is only fitting that our caretaker and silent leader for the past 10 years receive it. Susan Vollmer always went over and above her job requirements and displayed incredible leadership in modernizing the EBA. The Board of Directors constantly discusses the need to "stay relevant" to our members. There is no person more responsible for fulfilling this task than Susan. Her expansion of local CLE and commitment to revitalizing our sections and committees has been transformational. It is only appropriate that Susan receive this award for the impact she had on our organization. We are squarely positioned for continued success in the future and much is owed to this year's recipient of the James Bethel Gresham Freedom Award.

Thank you to everyone that participated in our annual traditions and Law Day Celebration. A final thank you goes to our President-elect, Yvette LaPlante, who no doubt spent countless hours sifting through material provided by those I once considered close friends and family. She did a tremendous job in "honoring" me and once again showed that she will be a great EBA President.

2018 ANNUAL MEETING



5:00 pm
Monday, June 4
EBA Office

To RSVP, call 812-463-3201,
email eba@evvbar.org, or
online at evvbar.org

Light refreshments and beverages provided

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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: Judge Smith and Magistrate Corcoran

In May of last year, VLP and the EBA expanded our jointly run Talk to a Lawyer program to offer two monthly hotline sessions instead of just one. EBA volunteers now provide brief legal answers to area residents on the first Thursday of the month from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. and again on the third Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The local phone number is 812.618.4845. With our annual Martin Luther King Holiday TTAL, we now provide 25 hotline sessions per year serving hundreds of area residents. This hotline is designed to serve more than just area residents with a simple legal questions, however. It is also designed to assist members of our local bar by providing you with a quick and simple way to offer direction and help to a caller to your office who you aren't able to accept or who cannot afford to pay for help. This also helps the EBA Lawyer Referral Service, the Legal Aid Society, and Indiana Legal Services who can quickly divert callers who aren't appropriate for their services so they can focus their limited resource on helping others. In the end, our deliver system is more efficient and we are able to help members of the public in a timely manner. Please consider volunteering for a Talk to a Lawyer session. To do so, just e-mail Scott Wylie at vlpwylie@sige.com.net.

2018 EBA NIGHT AT THE OTTERS

HOSTED BY YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

FIRST PITCH AT 6:35 PM

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OR 812.463.3201



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WHO'S DOING WHAT?

Law Day 2018



EBA Past-Presidents Shawn Sullivan, Jim Casey, Clay Havill (current), Max Fiester, Tim Born and Hon. Carl Heldt



Doran E. Perdue Award recipient Michele Bryant



2017 James Bethel Gresham Freedom Award recipient Susan Vollmer

Kudos!



April 19 - Trisha and Raymond Dudlo were awarded the Youth Resources Outstanding Volunteer Award



April 3 - Farmer Scott Ozete Robinson & Schmitt celebrated their new office and the one-year anniversary of the firm

Bar Updates: Welcome new member **Katherine Boren**.

Please make the following changes and additions to your address book:

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Committee & Section Meetings

- 05/03 **Diversity Committee Meeting**, Noon - EBA Office
- 05/08 **Paralegal Section Meeting**, Noon - EBA Office
- 05/16 **Young Lawyers Section Lunch**, Noon - Walton's International Comfort Food
- 05/23 **CLE Committee Meeting**, 11:45 am - EBA Office

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Randall T. Shepard Lecture Series

September 11 at ONB Auditorium, 4th Floor

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at 4:45 pm

Event begins at 5:30 pm

If you would like to volunteer or for more information, email julie@evvbar.org or call 812-463-3201

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Department of Child Services is expanding the number of staff attorney positions in this region and there are currently two positions available, one in Vanderburgh County and one in Pike/Knox Counties. Interested candidates can email Region 16 Chief Counsel Kimberly Nightingale directly at Kimberly.nightingale@dcs.in.gov to provide a resume or for more information.



Allyson Breeden,
President

In an effort to educate the newer members of our bar association, I am taking the opportunity to provide some information about the Evansville Bar Foundation.

In 1999, the EBF was formed by a generous donation by Evelyn Sanders, the widow of John L. Sanders, a well-respected Evansville attorney. John Sanders's love of the law, exemplified by his 75 years in the practice, serves as a strong guideline for the Foundation's Statement of Purpose: "Promoting Justice and Improving Lives Through the Law." With the investment income from the generous gift from Mrs. Sanders and annual contributions from EBA members, the EBF supports not-for-profits like Vanderburgh County CASA, Indiana Legal Services, Parenting Time Center, Youth Resources Teen Court, YMCA Youth & Government, and Volunteer Lawyer Program. No gift is too small. Please do your part to continue the Sanders legacy. [DONATE HERE!](#)

LIBRARIAN'S CORNER: SERVICES

With an account for mycase.gov, attorneys can view and print court documents in the William H. Miller Law Library. There is no charge to search, though printouts will be charged at current photocopier rates. You will find further information under "Useful Links" by following [this link](#). As a member of the Foundation, you also have access to Odyssey where you can verify the status of filings and court cases.

Missing titles update: Thanks to West Publishing, we now have an up-to-date and complete set of Indiana Code 31. The only title now missing is Indiana Practice: Personal Injury Law and Practice (v. 23). If you happened to remove this item from the Law Library and still have it in your possession, please return it at your earliest convenience so that others may use it. No questions asked! Thanks so much!

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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Kathryn Kornblum

New Attorney (0-3 Years)

Frank Mattingly



* As of April 30, 2018

RULE 9(G) IN THE E-FILING ERA - 1 CLE

TUESDAY, MAY 01

NOON - EBA OFFICE

EBA Members \$30

Non-members \$50

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

NO MORE CHILD EXEMPTIONS... NOW WHAT?**- 1 CLE**

TUESDAY, JUNE 05

NOON - EBA OFFICE

Family Law Section Member \$25

EBA Members \$30

Non-members \$50

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WOMEN ATTORNEYS SECTION**GRIT****Have you got grit?**

"Using Grit and Growth Mindset
to Advance Women in the Law"

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM****EBA OFFICE****\$25**

LUNCH PROVIDED BY CULINARY INNOVATIONS

To RSVP, call 812-463-3201, email eba@evvbar.org or online at evvbar.org

Annual "Breakfast with the Judge" - 1 CLE

Thursday, May 17

8:00AM - YWCA Parlor

The annual "Breakfast with the Judge," featuring the Hon. Basil Lorch, III

Registration and Breakfast, 7:30AM, 8:00AM Start

Cost is \$30 for Business and Commercial Law Section Members; \$35 for EBA Members and \$50 for Non-members and includes breakfast.

Register on-line at evvbar.org, email eba@evvbar.org or call 812-463-3201.

LAW WEEK 2018

Thank you to all who made these events such a success...

Judges and volunteer attorneys for the Mock Trial

Law Day Celebration

Lori Underwood & Mallory Deckard

Mock Trials

Keaton Miller, Hannah Dill and Will Cartwright

Student Lunch

Holly Anspaugh and Olivia Robinson

Awards Committee

Magistrate Sheila Corcoran, Monica Edwards, Jimmy Gentry, Joe Langerak, Cathy Nestrick, Laura Scott and Cliff Whitehead

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MAY CALENDAR

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- 05/01 **Rule 9(G) in the E-filing Era - 1 CLE**, Noon - EBA Office
- 05/02 **The Grit Project**, 11:00 am - EBA Office
- 05/03 **Diversity and Inclusion Committee Meeting**, Noon - EBA Office
- 05/03 **Talk to a Lawyer**, 4:30 pm - EBA Office
- 05/08 **Paralegal Section Meeting**, Noon - EBA Office
- 05/10 **EBA Morning Mixer**, 7:30 am - Donut Bank at Lincoln Ave. and Hwy 41
- 05/10 **EBA Board of Directors Meeting**, 11:30 am - EBA Office
- 05/15 **Talk to a Lawyer**, 11:30 am - EBA Office
- 05/16 **Young Lawyers Section Lunch**, Noon - Walton's International Comfort Food
- 05/17 **Breakfast with Judge Lorch - 1 CLE**, 7:30 am - YWCA Parlor Room, Downtown
- 05/17 **EBF Board of Directors Meeting**, Noon - EBA Office
- 05/23 **CLE Committee Meeting**, 11:45 am - EBA Office

SAVE-THE-DATE

- EBA Annual Meeting** Monday, June 4 at 5 pm, EBA Office
- Shepard Lecture Series** Tuesday, September 11 at 5:30 pm at ONB Auditorium, 4th Floor
- EBA Member Lunch** Wednesday, September 19 at Noon at Tropicana Conference Center
- EBA Day of Service** Friday, September 21 beginning at 8 am - more information to come!

To RSVP to any of the events listed above call 812-463-3201,
email eba@evvbar.org, or online at evvbar.org