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The Monthly Newsletter of the Evansville Bar Association

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### The EBA is on the Move!

The EBA is relocating its office to the 1st floor of the Curtis Building at 915 Main Street. Our current lease expires at the end of the year, and the Board felt it was the right time to find a new location with additional space. We want our new location to be the "hub" for the EBA – a place where our attorneys can gather to socialize, attend CLE presentations, or utilize a conference room for client meetings.





By: Clay Havill

**Location, location, location.** We join a number of attorneys located in the Curtis Building, and the location could not be more convenient and accessible for our members. The new office is directly across the street from the Courthouse and Civic Center in the heart of downtown. We will be more centrally located for our members and have the ability to stay put for the next 15 years.

**Additional space/training room**. We are adding approximately 1,000 square feet. Much of the additional space is for a larger training room with increased seating capacity for our thriving CLE presentations. (Reminder: CLE income continues to be a substantial portion of the funding for the EBA, and it is one of the main reasons we have only raised membership dues one time in the past 10 years.) The new training room will also get a technology upgrade for enhanced presentations.

**Conference rooms/work space**. Attorneys will be able to reserve one of two conference rooms for meetings or depositions. The main conference room will be equipped for video depositions and conference calls. The EBA will continue to provide a copier and work space for use by our members. We hope this will become your "office away from the office."

**Parking.** We will have virtually unlimited parking given the spaces provided in the parking lot for the Curtis Building and the "Back 40" parking lot situated directly next door. There is also wheelchair access so every member can enjoy the new office.

**Lounge area**. There will be a lounge area so attorneys can relax and take a break. Whether you want to read the newspaper or grab a cup of coffee, we hope you will swing by and catch up.

As you can see, I am excited about the EBA's move and the opportunities that come with it. Bar associations across the country continue to struggle to find ways to stay relevant and provide tangible benefits to their members. I believe our new office at the Curtis Building is a positive step toward accomplishing just that.

If there are any additional benefits we can provide to you at the EBA office, please reach out to me or any other board member to let us know. We are open to ideas and want nothing more than to support our members.

We hope to be fully moved in by January 1, 2018, and will be scheduling an open house shortly thereafter. Until then, enjoy this sneak peak of the new location! <u>View Floorplan Here.</u>

P.S. A special thank you to Erin Bauer and Joe Langerak who assisted Susan and me in the search for a new location and the lease negotiation. This was a time-consuming process and their efforts were critical to making it happen.

## LAWYERS LUNCH CLUB

#### Lawyers Lunch Club will resume in September!

This is an informal group of 6-8 attorneys who meet monthly for three month periods.

If you have already joined, you will remain in the club, unless we hear otherwise from you.

If you would like to join the fun with 120 of your fellow EBA members, please email Susan, susan@evvbar.org.

## **VLP News**

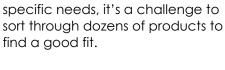
#### By: Judge Smith and Magistrate Corcoran

Long-time volunteer **David Kent**, of Johnson, Carroll, Norton, Kent & Goedde, recently shared a kind thank you note that he had received from a VLP client. In the note, the client thanked him for helping her with her legal issue and then ended with a simple "I hope you have a wonderful summer" followed by a smiley face. In the challenging world that VLP clients often face, with barriers that run from devastating poverty to physical violence, thinking of sending a thank you note may not always be at the top of the list for our clients. Being caught up in the legal system can be absolutely overwhelming at times and our VLP volunteers are often the only light in that otherwise dark environment. And while many of the indigent clients who look to VLP for help may not duplicate the kind gesture that David's client took in thanking him, on behalf of the Volunteer Lawyer Program, please know that we thank each and every one of you for helping make access to justice -- and to our courts -- more available for everyone.

VLP tracks volunteer hours for Talk to a Lawyer, Teen Court, Homeless Connect, and matters reported through case closing reports or pro bono self-reporting forms. To verify your 2016 hours through VLP, contact Scott Wylie at <a href="mailto:vlpwylie@sigecom.net">vlpwylie@sigecom.net</a>

## TECH TIP

There is a *lot* of law practice management software for lawyers to choose from, and more coming onto the market all the time. Even if you have identified your firm's





You can download this <u>comparison</u> <u>chart</u>, which shows the key features for all the software in the Lawyerist directory to help you choose the software that is best for your firm.



## COMMITTEE/SECTION SPOTLIGHT

Lawyers Assistance Program

At the local level, the Lawyers Assistance Committee consists of Michele Bryant, Judge Wayne Trockman, Chris Lenn, David Sanders, Toby Shaw, Becky Kasha, Teresa Perry McKeethen and Susan Vollmer. This Committee meets regularly and works with JLAP and other volunteers to provide **confidential assistance** to members of the legal community in need.

If you or someone you know is struggling with an impairment issue, do yourself or your friend a favor and contact JLAP or a member of the local Committee.



## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Vanderburgh County Circuit Court is seeking a staff attorney/administrator. Applicants should be an attorney licensed in Indiana. The hired applicant will be responsible for Preparing Quarterly Case status reports, set evidence suppression Court hearings, and serve as Judge Pro Tem. Find the full job description <a href="here">here</a>. Send resumes & cover letters to

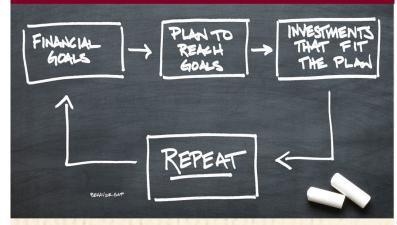
Questions about Pro Bono Reporting?

dgenet@vanderburghgov.org.

The Coalition for Court Access (CCA) has developed guidance for attorneys on how to report pro bono hours to the Indiana Supreme Court.

The CCA also developed a <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> guide to provide further explanation of Professional Conduct Rule 6.7 on reporting pro bono hours and donations.

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<u>Bar Updates</u>: Welcome new attorney members **Teresa Perry McKeethen, Andrew Carroll, Tanisha Carothers,**and new paralegal members **Rosemary Barger & Nancy Branham.** 

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

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### **Committee & Section Meetings**

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8/01	Family Law Section Meeting, Noon - EBA Office
8/02	Access to Justice Committee Meeting, Noon - EBA Office
8/04	<b>Employment Law Section Meeting,</b> Noon - EBA Office
8/08	<b>Bench and Bar Committee Meeting</b> , Noon - EBA Office
8/15	<b>EBF Grants Committee Meeting</b> , Noon - EBF Office
8/16	Young Lawyer Section Lunch, Noon - Walton's International Comfort Food
8/23	CLE Committee Meeting, 11:45 am - Lic's Deli

Communications Committee Meeting, 8:15 am - EBA







"Promoting Justice and Improving Lives through the Law" is the EBF's statement of purpose. The EBF strives to advance that purpose by granting money to organizations that support that mission. In 2016, the EBF awarded grants to CASA, Holly's House, Volunteer Lawyer Program, and other worthy organizations. Grant applications for the 2017 grant cycle were due on July 31.

The EBF Board will soon begin deliberations to determine what organizations will receive grants in 2017 and the amount of the award. The recipients will be announced and honored at the EBA members lunch on September 20, 2017. Please plan to attend.

To support the EBF's mission, please go to <a href="https://www.evvbar.org/foundation.aspx">www.evvbar.org/foundation.aspx</a> and click the "Donate" button and make a tax deductible gift.

## SUMMATION ONLINE ACCESS

- 1. Go to evvbar.org
- 2. Select "Summation Online" in the MEMBERS tab
- 3. Gain Access to the last year of EBA Summations

\*There is no login ID required to access the Summation, so this is a great way for support staff to have access. Please share!

#### A Big Thank You to 2017 CONTRIBUTORS

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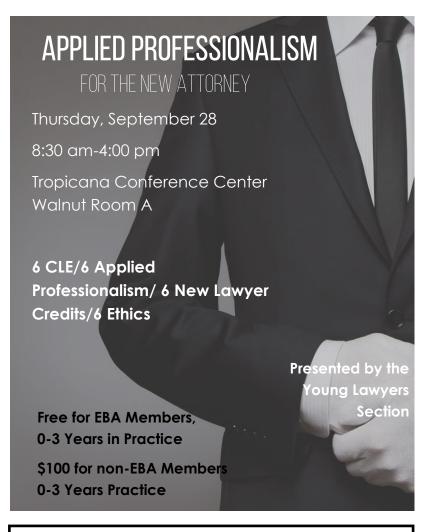
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## **ETHICS POTPOURRI- 3 ETHICS**

**SEPTEMBER 28--8:30 AM-N00N** 

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#### **SPEAKERS:**

CHARLIE BERGER, EDWARD JOHNSON & SCOTT WYLIE

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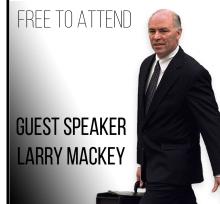


Randall T. Shepard Lecture Series 2017:

## IS THE DEATH PENALTY DEAD IN AMERICA?

Tuesday, September 19

5:30 pm - Old National Bank, 4th Floor auditorium



Larry served as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. v.

Timothy McVeigh case and will be discussing the current status of the death penalty and relevant cases of interest.



THE RACE TO RESOLVE YOUR CASE

August 25

2 CLF: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**Stan Levco** - Hearsay Exceptions and Tips from 40 years of practice

Jim Casey - Mediation, Arbitration and Other ADR Options, with Special Guest Hon. Keith Meier discussing the private judge option

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TUESDAY AUGUST 22 - NOON

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Business & Commercial Section Members \$ 25

EBA Members \$30

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### BANKRUPTCY & DIVORCE

1 CLF

TUESDAY. AUGUST 29 - NOON

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## RISK, NEEDS AND SAFETY OF CHILDREN:

## HOW TO EFFECTIVELY UTILIZE THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM REPORT - 1 CLE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30 - NOON

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\$25 for Family Law Section Members

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## BANKRUPTCY CASE LAW UPDATE

1 CLE

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - NOON

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08/04	Employment Law Section Meeting, Noon - EBA Office
08/08	Bench and Bar Committee Meeting, Noon - EBA Office
08/10	EBA Morning Mixer, 7:30 am - Donut Bank Hwy 41& Lincoln
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08/17	EBF New Board Member Orientation, 11:30am - EBF Office
08/17	EBF Board of Directors Meeting, Noon - EBF Office
08/22	Bankruptcy and Real Estate Law 1 CLE, Noon - EBA Office
08/23	CLE Committee Meeting, 11:45 am - Lic's Deli
08/25	"The Race to Resolve Your Case" 2 CLE , 9:00 am - Ellis Park
08/29	"Bankruptcy & Divorce" 1 CLE, Noon - EBA Office
08/30	Communications Committee Meeting, 8:15 am - EBA Office
08/30	"Risk, Needs and Safety of Children: How to Effectively Utilize the Guardian Ad Litem Report" 1 CLE ,
	Noon - EBA Office

## SAVE THE DATE

09/09 - Randall T. Shepard Lecture Series

With featured speaker, Larry Mackey

09/20 - Fall Membership Lunch and EBF Grant Awards 10/19 - Trivia Night

11/10 - 28th Annual Estate & Business Planning Institute

12/08 - Annual Hot Topics