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April Bar Meeting:
Noon, April 6th

Venue:
Mermaids Restaurant
2217 N College Ave
Fayetteville, AR

April Speaker:
U. S. Attorney for
the Western District
of Arkansas, Conner
Eldridge, will speak.

Upcoming Speakers:
May 4
Arkansas Attorney
General, Leslie
Rutledge



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CONNOR ELDRIDGE TO ADDRESS BAR IN APRIL

Conner Eldridge serves as United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas.

Eldridge was appointed by President Barack Obama on September 29, 2010, and confirmed by the United States Senate on December 10, 2010. Eldridge is currently the youngest United States Attorney in the country.

As U.S. Attorney, Eldridge serves as the chief law enforcement officer for the Western District of Arkansas.

He is responsible for the prosecution of all federal crimes in the District and the litigation of civil matters in which the United States government has an interest. The Western District includes 34 Arkansas counties separated into six divisions: Texarkana, El Dorado, Hot Springs, Fort Smith, Fayetteville, and Harrison. The U.S. Attorney's Office is based in Fort Smith, Arkansas and has a satellite office in Texarkana, Arkansas that it shares with the Eastern District of Texas. Under Eldridge's leadership, the United States Attorney's Office has made significant strides in prosecuting a wide variety of federal crimes in all areas of the district, including child pornography offenses, violent crime, large-scale drug trafficking crimes, white collar crime, and many other offenses.

One of the highest priorities in the office has been convening meetings of federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutors in communities across the district to discuss criminal issues and strategies for working together to address them. As a result, law enforcement resources have been targeted at violent drug trafficking organizations. Operation Street Sweeper in El Dorado, Arkansas

and Operation State Line Sweep in Texarkana, Arkansas have resulted in the dismantling of large-scale criminal enterprises and in the prosecution of over 100 federal cases.



Prior to becoming United States Attorney, Eldridge served as a Special Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in the 9th (East) Judicial District of Arkansas in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. In this capacity, he prosecuted state offenses ranging from attempted

murder to misdemeanor offenses. He also served as a federal law clerk to the Honorable G. Thomas Eisele, a Federal District Judge in the Eastern District of Arkansas. Following the clerkship, Eldridge held several positions at Summit Bank and Summit Bancorp in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. During his last two years at Summit Bank, Eldridge served as Chief Executive Officer. Earlier in his career, Eldridge worked as a legislative aide to United States Senator Blanche Lincoln and United States Congressman Marion Berry, both of Arkansas. Eldridge has been active in numerous civic and charitable organizations including the United Way (Past Chapter President), the Clark County, Arkansas Strategic Planning and Economic Development efforts, and the Arkansas IOLTA Foundation (appointed by Governor Mike Beebe).

Eldridge is a native of Lonoke and Augusta, Arkansas, where he grew up working on his family's rice, soybean, and wheat farm and in his family's farm equipment dealership. He graduated from Lonoke High School, Davidson College and the University of Arkansas School of Law. Eldridge and his wife Mary Elizabeth have three children, Will, Henry and Tull.

TIME TO PAY DUES!

Washington County Bar Association dues are \$30 a year, or \$10 for new lawyers, and are due in January of each year.

Mail to P.O. address below or pay at the meeting.

Send dues, advertising payment and other business to:

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APRIL JUDGES CALENDAR

Judge Barry

Fort Smith – April 1
Fayetteville – April 7
Hot Springs – April 14
El Dorado – April 23

Judge Beaumont

Defaults – April 3, 10, 17, 24
Madison County – April 15

Judge Brooks

Week of March 30 - Fayetteville
Week of April 6th - Fayetteville
Week of April 13th - Fayetteville
Week of April 20th - Fayetteville
Week of April 27th - Fayetteville

Judge Bryan

Default Days – April 3,10,17,24
Madison County – April 21

Judge Lindsay

Madison County – April 14, 9:00 a.m.

Judge Martin – (479)444-1548

April 2 – 8:30 a.m. – default divorces
April 9 – 8:30 a.m. – default divorces
April 13 – 9:00 a.m. – Madison County
April 16 – 8:30 a.m. – default divorces
April 23 – 8:30 a.m. – default divorces

Judge Threet

April 20th – Madison County.
All other days – Washington County.
Defaults – April 1, 8, 15, 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Judge Taylor

Default dates – April 6, 13
Madison County – April 17
Interpreter Day – April 21

Judge Zimmerman

Monday – Delinquency Cases
Tuesday – Delinquency/FINS Cases
Wednesday – Dependent-Neglect Cases
Thursday – Delinquency/FINS/
Dependent-Neglect Cases
Friday – Delinquency/Dependent-Neglect Cases
1st & 3rd Monday Evening – Juvenile Drug Cr.
April 3rd & 24th – Madison County Court

MARCH MINUTES

- Call to Order
- February minutes were approved
- Treasurer's report/approval
- Introduction of guests
- No new business
- No announcements
- Speakers: Steve Clark, President/CEO of Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce; Perry Webb, President/CEO of Springdale Chamber of Commerce
- Meeting was adjourned

March Treasurer's Report:

Previous Balance:	\$8,132.57
Total Checks:	\$1,089.40
Total Deposits:	\$1,351.18
Current Balance:	\$8,394.35

Respectfully Submitted,
Tyler H. Benson
Secretary/Treasurer

ARKANSAS BAR CLE'S

The Arkansas Bar has an extensive list of upcoming CLE's to consider. Please go to <http://www.arkbar.com/cle/clelisting.aspx> for more information and registration.

Thu Apr 02, 2015: Magna Carta
Little Rock, AR Bar Center

Thu Apr 09, 2015: Office 365 Training. Little Rock, AR Bar Center.

Fri Apr 10, 2015: Office 365 Training. Rogers, World Trade Center.

Thu/Fri Apr 16-17, 2015: Debtor/Creditor. Little Rock, Embassy Suites.

Thu Apr 23, 2015: How to Collect a Judgment. Little Rock, AR Bar Center.

Fri Apr 24, 2015: Construction Law. Little Rock, AR Bar Center.

Thu/Fri May 01-02, 2015: Labor & Employment Law. Fayetteville, The Chancellor Hotel.

Wed May 06, 2015: Intellectual Property. Little Rock, AR Bar Center.

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USUAL DEADLINE
FOR THE MAY
NEWSLETTER IS
APRIL 10TH