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President's Column Justin Ross

"Greetings and Introduction From the Incoming President"

I am excited to take the reigns as incoming President of the First Judicial District Bar Association for the next year. For this month's article, I thought it appropriate to introduce myself to our members and tell you a little bit about my goals and vision for our Association for the next year.

I have a general trial practice, with an emphasis on family law, criminal defense, and civil litigation. I have the honor of partnering with Joe Pickard, who is a past president of the Bar and has long been active in the Bar and community. I count having been mentored and trained by Joe as amongst one of my most significant blessings. I was appointed to the Board of Trustees in 2013, and I have served on the Board ever since.

I have had the pleasure of serving on the Board under past Presidents Caroline Sada, Robin Beattie, Judge Mark Randall, and Katie Kurtz, and I cannot express how appreciative I am for their leadership and direction. They have left the Bar Association in a very healthy position, both financially and otherwise. As an Association, we are all indebted to them for their service.

My goal for this year is to increase membership in, awareness of, and involvement in the Bar Association, especially with respect to our Judiciary and increasing the efficiency of our bench/bar relations. I truly enjoy practicing in the First Judicial District, and having practiced in multiple Districts, I am convinced that ours is the most enjoyable and collegial. I also am convinced that we have the finest collective of judicial officers in the state, and part of this excellence is the relationship between the Bar and the Bench.

In preparing for my tenure, I reached out to some of our past presidents to ask them for their feedback about the benefits of being part of our Association. Some of the thoughts I got included the following:

• Fellowship with other local lawyers is the closest thing we have to an English Inn of Court.

- Active bar members have a set of connections to make our professional lives better. You can call anyone in Jeffco and expect some help and guidance on practically any issue.
- Bar membership allows you to interact with judicial officers on a more personal level.
- You get first-hand philanthropic opportunities, such as facilitating financial grants and specialty courts, and hosting Law Day.
- Bar membership allows you to commiserate with, and bounce ideas off of, other lawyers. It can also inspire you to meet lawyers who are making a difference in people's lives.

As with these past Presidents, I believe that active membership in the Bar Association is invaluable. I have found that such has enriched my professional, and personal, life. I have made an incredible amount of connections with lawyers in the community, and I have benefitted from these connections.

I am looking forward to this year with great enthusiasm, and I invite you to come along with me. If you have been active, I encourage you to remain so (and influence a fellow lawyer in the community to get active). If you have not been active, I encourage you to become active. You will not regret it.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve as your President.

Highlight of the Month

Each month, I intend to highlight a specific activity or opportunity available to our Bar of which you may not be aware, or of which we may need reminding. Please keep an eye out for these highlights each month. This month, I am highlighting our attorney lounge. For the past several years, the attorney lounge has been available on the second floor of the Courthouse. The lounge is a quiet place to rest, think, get some work done while you are at in the courthouse, or just to sip the free coffee and enjoy one another's company. To get the door code to the lounge, please contact Vicki Malara, our executive director. The lounge is free to all our members. If you enjoy the lounge, I would encourage you to contact Vicki about being a coffee sponsor.



It's that time of year again for the very popular 1st JD Judge's Roundtable Luncheon. Each Judge and Magistrate will choose a topic for discussion at their table. An application for CLE credit has been made.

**Note that this luncheon does not include the \$5 bring your own lunch option as the luncheon is in the Jury Commissioner's Room and will require you to go through Security.

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The HOPE Alumni Program is a collaborative effort between the 1st JD Recovery Court and the Jefferson County FIT Court to provide aftercare support to the participants. The HOPE Alumni Program is an arm of the non-profit, Court Support Jeffco, that supports our programs.

The HOPE Alumni Program is hosting a fundraising yard sale on September 17th. Their goal is to raise money to fund their sober activities, registration fees, and t-shirts and a banner for their program. They are hoping to get items donated to sell at their yard sale. If you have items you do not want anymore and would like to donate, please drop off at the CASA office, admin. Side of the courthouse, first floor. You may also contact Leah Varnell for additional ways to donate or have items picked up. Thank you for your support and remember this is completely voluntary.



EMPLOYMENT ADS

LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT OR LOOKING FOR AN EMPLOYEE?

You can post your employment ad on the 1st JD website and it will also link to the 1st JD FB page and the Proclamation.

For more information contact vicki malara@comcast.net

RENT OFFICE SPACE

Office space for lease at 7400 Wadsworth Blvd. Best for 1 or 2 lawyers. Some furnished space available.

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FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

OCTOBER 10th, 2016 Hiwan Golf Club • 30661 Clubhouse Lane, Evergreen, CO 80439

- Join us for a day of golfing contests, networking, and prizes!
- Local vendors will be serving food, drinks, and goodie bags!
- All net proceeds will be donated to the First Judicial District's Senior Law Day, which provides pro bono legal aid to seniors.

Formats:

- Scramble
- Stroke Play
- Putting Contests
- Closest-to-pin Contests

Cost:

- \$100 per golfer
- \$200 for a hole sponsorship
- \$600 for four players
 (includes a hole sponsorship)
- All food, drinks, and prizes included

For additional information regarding the event, contact Jon Bradley at jon@goldenlawyers.com

> In order to register for the event, contact Vicki Malara, at <u>vicki_malara@comcast.net</u>

> Registration fees can be paid prior to or at the event, via cash, check, or credit card.

1st JD Bar Association 2016 Judges and Awards Banquet

HONOREES Outgoing Judge Chris Munch & Incoming Judge Diego Hunt

AWARD OF MERIT

Judge Anne Stavig

LISA HARNESS MEMORIAL AWARD Ronda Pine

GEORGE HOLLEY OUTSTANDING YOUNG LAWYER AWARD Ryan Hutton

> CLAUDIA D. MILLER LIBERTY BELL AWARD Erin Burns

> > LINDA T. PALMIERI AWARD

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Saturday, October 15, 2016 Lakewood Country Club 6800 West 10th Avenue Lakewood, Co 80214

Cash Bar 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm Seating for Dinner 6:45 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

Cost \$60 per person

MENU CHOICE Filet Mignon * Mahi Mahi * Vegetarian Lasagna

<u>Please consider being a banquet sponsor for \$100. You will receive</u> <u>special recognition in the banquet program, as well as recognized at</u> <u>the banquet for your sponsorship.</u>

RSVP with the name of your guests and their menu choices. Please arrange payment prior to the event. Contact <u>vicki malara@comcast.net</u> or 303-434-2501. Also indicate if you are a First Time Attendee.

The Colorado Judicial Institute Announces the 2016 Judicial Excellence Award Recipients

Denver, July 13, 2016 - The Colorado Judicial Institute (CJI) is pleased to announce the 2016 Judicial Excellence Award recipients. The honorees, selected for their outstanding service, will be recognized at CJI's 14th Annual Judicial Excellence for Colorado Dinner Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at the Denver Marriott City Center.

Judicial Excellence Award Recipients:

Chief Judge Michael O'Hara, 14th Judicial District County Court Presiding Judge John Marcucci— Boulder County, 2nd Judicial District Magistrate Carolyn McLean—20th Judicial District

Reserve Your Seats:

Seats are \$200 per person or \$110 per person for judges, judicial department employees and young professionals (practicing less than five years). Visit CJI's web site at www.ColoradoJudicialInstitute.org to purchase tickets. Contact Cynthia at 303-766-7501 or Cynthia@ColoradoJudicialInstitute.org with questions.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available:

For more information contact Cynthia Ophaug-Johansen at 303-766-7501 or <u>Cynthia@ColoradoJudicialInstitute.org</u>. Proceeds from this event will benefit the CJI Judicial Education Fund and the programs of the Colorado Judicial Institute.

About the Judicial Excellence Awards

The Judicial Excellence Awards formally recognize judicial excellence in Colorado and the annual event raises money in support of CJI's Judicial Education Fund and the programs of CJI. The fund was established in response to cuts to state financial support for continuing education of judges and court personnel. Since 2003, CJI has awarded approximately \$400,000 to judicial education in Colorado. CJI's Judicial Education Fund is one of the few privately funded resources available to Colorado's judiciary.

About the Colorado Judicial Institute

The Colorado Judicial Institute (http://www.coloradojudicialinstitute.org) hosts the prestigious annual Judicial Excellence for Colorado Dinner. CJI is a non-profit, founded in 1979, whose mission it is to preserve and enhance the fairness, impartiality and excellence of Colorado's Courts, to further public understanding of the Colorado judicial system, and to ensure that the courts meet the needs of the people.