

News from the CBA, Local Bars, and More

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Bar News is a monthly compilation of news from the CBA, including sections and committees, administration, and local and specialty bar associations. It also includes notices of activities—past, present, and future—from local and national law-related organizations and groups.

Colorado Defense Lawyers Association Annual Conference

The Colorado Defense Lawyers Association (CDLA) hosted its Annual Conference from July 25 to 29 in Telluride. The theme of the conference was health and wellness in the law. Kimberley Motley was keynote speaker and gave an inspiring presentation related to her experience as the first and only foreign lawyer to practice in Afghanistan. Other presenters included Chief Justice Nancy Rice, Chief Judge Alan Loeb, Chief Judge Marcia Krieger, Justice Richard Gabriel, and Judge Terry Fox. The conference included hosted discussions on various legal issues, alongside outdoor break-out sessions such as an X-Treme CLE climb, golfing, and yoga.



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- 1 Rich Bovarnick celebrating his raffle win with Chief Judge Nancy Rice and Bo Donegan.
- 2 Kevin Kuhn and Scott Nixon presenting on ethical issues.
- 3 Taking a break from the conference with some golfing.
- 4 Brendan Powers and Cheri Lazar presenting to new lawyers.

Unbundling Road Show

On August 15, the Honorable Adam Espinosa and Danae Woody presented the Unbundling Roadshow to 70 members of the Plaintiff Employment Lawyers Association. Judge Espinosa and Woody have been presenting the Unbundling Roadshow—a lunchtime CLE focusing on ethical considerations of providing limited scope representation (a.k.a. “unbundling”)—since 2015. The upcoming Unbundling Roadshow 2.0 will concentrate on practice tips and law practice management for attorneys offering unbundled legal services.



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- 1 Danae Woody and Judge Adam Espinosa presenting.
- 2 A well-attended event.

Colorado Law's Judicial Appreciation Reception Celebrates Eight Years of Making Connections

On September 13, more than 60 University of Colorado Law School students had the opportunity to meet and learn from distinguished state and federal judges at Colorado Law's eighth annual Judicial Appreciation Reception, held at Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell (WTO) in Denver. Jurists in attendance included four of the seven Colorado Supreme Court justices and judges from four state trial courts.

WTO President Hugh Gottschalk ('79) warmly welcomed the 85 attendees and introduced Dean S. James Anaya, who thanked the judges for their service and explained the benefits of clerking for judges, both during law school and after graduating.

Other judges who addressed the group included Magistrate Judge Kristen Mix ('85) of the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado; Justice Melissa Hart of the Colorado Supreme Court; Judge Susan Blanco ('03) of the 8th Judicial District Court in Fort Collins; and Judge Patrick Butler of the 20th Judicial District Court in Boulder.



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- 1 Ryan Lolar, Judge Kristen Mix, and Kenneth Shiau.
- 2 Leah Fugere, Victoria Guzman, Aasia Miller, and Madeeha Dean.
- 3 Johnie Nguyen and Judge Donald Quick.
- 4 Judge Susan Blanco speaking to attendees.

1st Judicial District Bar Association Judges and Awards Banquet

This year, the 1st Judicial District Bar Association Judges and Awards Banquet was held on September 15 at a new venue, Red Rocks Country Club. The weather was incredible, the views were scenic, the food was delicious, and the atmosphere was relaxed. Among the 113 guests were members of the Colorado Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Jefferson County bench; the Mayor of Arvada; and attorneys from the Jefferson County Public Defender's and District Attorney's offices. The following individuals received recognition for their services to the profession:

- Samantha Lillehoff, George Holley Outstanding Young Lawyer Award;
- Alison Hansen, Linda T. Palmieri Award;
- Jon Bradley, Claudia D. Miller Liberty Bell Award;
- Judy Cross, Lisa Harness Memorial Award;
- Bob Frie, Frederick J. Myers Professionalism Award; and
- Peter Weir, Award of Merit.



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- 1 Joe Pickard with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Frie.
- 2 John and Becky Bradley.
- 3 Peter Weir and Judge Hal Sargent.
- 4 Samantha and Tim Lillehoff.

Harvard Law School Celebration 65



On September 14 to 16, Harvard Law School commemorated 65 years of women at HLS with its Celebration 65 event. Judge Christine Arguello of the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado received the Celebration Award from the HLS Association's Alumnae Committee.

CBA Business Law Award Ceremony



Lidstone.

On September 12, the CBA Business Law Section Executive Council presented the Cathy Stricklin Krendl Business Lawyer Lifetime Achievement Award to

Herrick K. Lidstone, Jr. Lidstone was recognized for his many years of furthering the development of practical, comprehensive, and well-drafted business related legislation; for writing about and teaching Colorado business law; and for his devotion to enduring principles of professionalism in his legal career.

Lidstone is a shareholder in Burns Figa & Will PC, where he practices in the areas of business transactions, including taxation, limited liability company and corporate formation and organization, mergers and acquisitions, and securities. His contributions to the CBA are extensive and include authoring numerous articles published in *Colorado Lawyer* as well as several CBA-CLE publications.

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