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February was a busy month for the ACBA. We hosted the annual Arapahoe County Bar Association Mock Trial Competition on February 23 and 24. Seventeen teams from across the county participated in this two day competition and the students (and the lawyers!) had a great time. We sent four teams to the state competition. This event requires over a hundred volunteers who donate their time and energy to put on the event. A big THANK YOU to all who volunteered!

The annual ACBA Professionalism Dinner was held on February 27th at the Marriott DTC. Our speakers this year included CBA President Dick Gast, Colorado Court of Appeals Judge Laurie Booras, and our very own Chief Judge Carlos Samour. Our panelists of speakers from various organizations presented on free and low cost services available to litigants in Arapahoe County. Some of the highlighted information included:

- Remerg.com is a free website that provides resources to people in the criminal justice system. The website offers contact information and assistance in such areas as housing, job opportunities, education, food and clothing and behavioral health. Visit their website at www.remerg.com
- The ACBA Domestic Relations Pro Se Resource Center has expanded its hours to Wednesday and Friday mornings. If you are interested in volunteering, email Virginia Robbins, Pro Se Clinic Co-Chair, at robbinslawfirmllc@gmail.com or call 303-953-0429.
- Arapahoe County has recently established the Navigator Program through Pretrial Release Services. This program is designed to assist defendants on Pretrial Release who are experiencing mental health issues. For more information please contact Ali Moaddeli at amoaddeli@arapahoegov.com.
- The Child Access and Visitation Grant provides mediation for never married parents free of cost. Please contact Division 35 for more information and to schedule the mediations.
- The Turelli Foundation provides free mediation to post-decree, pro se domestic relations cases involving children in Arapahoe and Douglas Counties. More information can be found on their website at http://www.turelli.org.
- Project Safeguard provides safety planning, legal advocacy, and direct court support to victims of domestic violence and abuse, ensuring their safety and survival. They have offices in Room 209A of the Arapahoe County Justice Center, Courthouse 1, and can be reached at 303-799-3977 or at their website at https://psghelps.org

Spring with the ACBA promises to be both fun filled and informative. We are looking forward to the annual ACBA Spring CLE is gorgeous Napa Valley at the Silverado Hotel and Golf Club April 25-28. More free CLE’s are in the works including a session detailing the implications of the new tax law in Domestic Relations cases. Finally, the ACBA Annual Meeting and Golf Tournament is June 15th at Raccoon Creek Golf Course in Littleton.
On Friday, January 26, 2018, the Arapahoe Bar Association welcomed over 50 judges to the annual Judges’ Dinner at the Hilton Inverness DTC. There were judicial officers from the 18th Judicial District, including Chief Judge Carlos Samour, judges from the Court of Appeals, and various municipal judges in attendance. 18th Judicial District Judge Robert Tobias and Municipal Court Judge Vincent Atencio were honored for their retirements and dedicated service to the judicial system. A special thank you to volunteers that helped plan this meeting, presenters, and those who helped with check-in, roses... this event would not have been a success without you! Thank you to all who attended - we hope to see you again next year!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Your tax-deductible donations are needed to help deserving young adults get the college education that they have worked so hard to earn. Their stories are heartbreaking, inspiring and amazing. Many of them, if they did not have the willpower, would be defeated by their circumstances. Twelve laptops were awarded in 2017 (4 of 12 winners pictured).

These underprivileged students have risen above what may seem like insurmountable obstacles to go to college. Let’s give them a hand by providing them with a computer. The Arapahoe County Bar Foundation will help students who undoubtedly deserve a boost and recognition for their accomplishments.

A $500 donation or more, will give you and your firm special recognition in the program at the Annual Meeting where these students will be presented with their computers. Please use the form below to make your tax-deductible donation. We are looking for a total of $6000 and have $6000 to go.

Thank you for your support!

2018 Laptops from Lawyers Donation Form

Name (First & Last) __________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________
City: __________________ State ___ Zip _________
Telephone ___________ Email ________________________________

Total Donation to Foundation □$500 □$250 □$100 □ $50 □ $25 Other $________

Method of Payment: __ check # ___________________ ___ Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover ___ Amex

*Credit Card Number: __________________________________________ CID: _______ Exp. Date _____/_____

Name on the card: _____________________________________________

Law Firm: ___________________________________________________

Remit payment to: Arapahoe County Bar Foundation
P.O. Box 2587, Centennial, CO 80161
Fax: 303-991-6034 or E-mail: info@arapbar.org Questions? 303-797-2227

ARAPAHOE COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization
This year’s Professionalism Dinner & CLE, held on February 27th, focused on Access to Justice in the legal profession and the judicial bench. Attendees learned about the wide range of free legal services and programs for litigants available in the Arapahoe County Judicial District.

Chief Judge Carlos A. Samour, Jr. provided 15 points on professionalism in the courtroom. Missed it? Check out page 7 to review this information. We hope to see you at the next Professionalism Dinner in October 2018!

The Arapahoe County Regional High School Mock Trial Tournament was held last February 23-24th at the Arapahoe County Judicial Center. This year, 17 teams from 9 area high schools worked for many months preparing for the four trials in which each team participated. There were over 200 team members and coaches, 18 presiding judges and over 70 panelist judges for the competition. This is one of the largest regional competitions in the state. Four of the teams moved on to the Colorado state competition: Regis Jesuit A (code W) won 1st place and Smoky Hill (code T) took 2nd. Regis Jesuit B (code K) won 3rd and Kent Denver B (code X) came in 4th place. The State tournament was in Greeley on March 9-10th.

The ACBA wishes to thank all of the judges, attorneys, team coaches, volunteers, and community members who made this tournament a gratifying success. If you have never participated, please plan to make a few hours available for this fulfilling, worthwhile cause next year.
Arapahoe County Bar Association

Outstanding Contributors to the Legal Community
2018 Nomination Form - Due May 18th

Tommy Drinkwine Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year Award
In recognition of commitment to the improvement of our community, as well as enthusiastic service to clients, the public and the Bar Association, this award was named posthumously for TOMMY D. DRINKWINE, the 1983 Recipient. (Nomination must be an ACBA member.)
Name of Nominee: ______________________________________

(Indicate reason for your nomination or attach page)

Raymond Frenchmor Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Juvenile Justice System
For outstanding service to the Juvenile Justice System. (Nomination may be any individual or organization.)
Name of Nominee: ______________________________________

(Indicate reason for your nomination or attach page)

Charles Dillon Award for Outstanding Public Service
For extraordinary service in the public interest. (Nomination may be any individual or organization.)
Name of Nominee: ______________________________________

(Indicate reason for your nomination or attach page)

Nominations must be received by May 18th.
Email to info@arapbar.org or fax to 303-991-6034
Mail to: ACBA, P.O. Box 2587, Centennial, CO 80161
FIFTEEN COURTROOM POINTERS
by Chief Judge Carlos A. Samour, Jr.

1. Be on time. Start times are not suggestions. And when you’re late (and it will happen at some point, although hopefully rarely), the first thing to come out of your mouth should be an apology and a brief explanation for your tardiness.

2. Stand up, cease all conversation, and face the bench when the judge enters the courtroom or leaves the courtroom. You should also stand up whenever you are speaking or being spoken to by the judge.

3. If you are not speaking or being spoken to by the judge, you should sit. (Do not stand until you are addressed or acknowledged by the judge).

4. Be respectful with the Court—never interrupt the judge; always be deferential to the judge; and conceal your reaction to the judge’s rulings and comments, whether favorable or unfavorable (keep a poker face). Being respectful applies to filings as well.

5. You should be equally respectful with opposing counsel—avoid words such as “ridiculous” of “asinine” to describe opposing counsel’s argument and avoid facial expressions that show disagreement with opposing counsel (and which can be distracting).

6. Do not address opposing counsel directly.

7. When a witness asks counsel whether he can retrieve his report and review it (or a similar question), counsel should not answer the question; instead, counsel should ask the judge whether the witness may do so.

8. Ask to approach the bench and ask to approach the witness (and don’t stay longer than necessary at the witness stand).

9. To make an objection, stand up straight (as opposed to taking a halfway position between sitting and standing) and say “objection” (as opposed to something like “wait, wait, wait” or “stop”); and speak with assertiveness—commit to the objection or don’t make the objection at all.

10. Avoid “I think,” “I believe,” and “in my opinion.”

11. Be prepared (that includes being organized).

12. Never misstate the facts or the law or mislead the judge; judges find it refreshing when counsel are candid. You should also try to be reasonable. Your credibility is extremely important. If the judge does not trust you, you will have an uphill climb trying to persuade him or her.

13. Mind your manners and remember the importance of civility.

14. Do not attempt to prevent the judge from asking you questions by speaking fast without ever taking a breath; answer the judge’s questions directly; avoid verbosity and repetition; and speak clearly and reasonably slowly.

15. It is better to overestimate than to underestimate the length of hearings and trials.

ACBA ANNUAL AWARDS
Nominate Outstanding Contributors to the Legal Community

Do you know someone who deserves the recognition of his or her peers for outstanding contributions to the legal community? Yes? Then take a few minutes to nominate him or her for one of the ACBA’s three annual awards to be presented at the Annual Meeting in June.

• Tommy Drinkwine Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year

• Raymond Frenchmore Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Juvenile Justice System

• Charles Dillion Award for Outstanding Public Service

The recipient of the Drinkwine award must be an ACBA member. Nominees for the Dillion and Frenchmore awards may be any individual or organization. Nominations should be accompanied by a short statement of the nominee’s accomplishments. Nominations may be e-mailed (PDF format) to info@arapbar.org or faxed to 303-991-6034.

Nomination Deadline May 14, 2018

MEMBERSHIP SOCIAL
In Review

On March 14th, the ACBA hosted a Membership Social at Slattery’s Irish Pub. It was an evening of socializing with old friends and new ones.

The ACBA would like to thank attorney Dan McCune (former DBA President and senior partner at the law firm of Childs McCune) for kicking off the social with musical entertainment on the bagpipes and traditional Irish attire... he made the evening extra special!
2018 Annual Meeting
Dinner Only Registration Form

June 15th - Please RSVP by June 8th

Annual Meeting
$40 per person (Add $5 after June 8th)
Social - 6:00 pm
Dinner - 7:00 pm

Special Guests
~ Laptops from Lawyers Recipients

Buffet Style Dinner
Tossed Green Salad & Warm Dinner Rolls with Butter
Grilled NY Strip Steak & Seared Salmon Fillets
Roasted Potatoes & Steamed Seasonal Vegetables
Dessert

Name: ____________________________________  List Allergies
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Law Firm or Affiliation: __________________________  Contact name: __________________________
Telephone __________________ Email __________________

Total Amount Due for Annual Meeting $______________ (No shows will be invoiced)

Method of Payment: __ check # ________________________  ___ Visa  ___ MasterCard  ___ Discover  ___ Amex

*Credit Card Number: ___________________________  CID: _______  Exp. Date ______/_____

Name on card: ______________________________________

Remit payment to:
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Or Register online at www.arapahoeCountyBar.org
See Page 11 for Sponsorship Opportunities!

ATTENTION GOLFERS!
Please use the Golf Registration Form to register for golf/dinner. Thank you!

Raccoon Creek Golf
7301 W Bowles Ave.
Littleton, CO 80123
(303) 973-4653
The new Rule 250 of the Colorado Rules of Procedure, has changed the exemption for mandatory CLE for attorneys from age 65 to age 72. For those attorneys, who were previously exempt (for being over the age of 65), there is a new compliance period, which started as of March 15, 2018 and will run to December 31, 2021.

Check E-News for a Link to the Colorado Supreme Court
Adopted Rules Changes
Play 18 with the 18th Hon. Robert B. Lee Memorial Golf Tournament and Annual Meeting

June 15th - RSVP By June 8th

Golf Check-In Begins: Noon 1:30 pm shotgun start

Raccoon Creek Golf Course
Social Hour: 6:00 pm, Dinner: 7:00 pm

$125 Golf fee includes greens fees, cart, range balls, box lunch, buffet dinner, and a gift. Prizes will be presented at the Annual Dinner Meeting. Organize your own team, or sign up individually (individual players will be paired). No-shows are responsible for payment. Each player required to have own golf bag/clubs. No outside food or beverages.

Golf & Dinner: $125 per person
(Golf Only/No Dinner - $110)

Tournament will be a scramble format.

Name: __________________________ Food allergy: _______ Golf Only? ___ Yes
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Requested foursome (No more than 1 single digit handicap player will be permitted in a foursome):
1. ___________________________________ 3. _____________________________________
2. ___________________________________ 4. _____________________________________

Annual Meeting
Dinner Only: $40 each
(non-golfer spouse/guest):

Name(s):
______________________________ Vegetarian? ___ Yes
______________________________ Vegetarian? ___ Yes

Law Firm or Affiliation: _______________________________________

Contact name: __________________________
Telephone __________________________ Email __________________________

TOTAL DUE $___________

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Name on the card: __________________________

Or Register online at www.ArapahoeCountyBar.org

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Arapahoe County Bar Association

Hon. Robert B. Lee Memorial Golf Tournament & Annual Meeting
Sponsorship Form

Help us make our legendary Annual Meeting better than ever!

Date: June 15, 2018
Set-Up: Noon
Golf Starts at 1:30 pm
Social Hour: 6:00 pm
Dinner begins at 7:00 pm

Hole Sponsorship:
$250 (or $150 if you are also playing golf - use the sign-up sheet on the previous page to register for golf)

Hole Sponsorship Includes:
- Designated hole for you to place your advertisements, set-up materials, etc. (Table not provided)
- Signage at designated hole with company name (provided by ACBA)
- One FREE non-golfer dinner representative for Annual Meeting
- One additional dinner may be purchased for $35.00
- Recognition at the dinner and an advertisement in NewsBriefs

Please provide ad copy for your 2.25” x 3.5” wide ad (300 dpi in jpeg)
Deadline for Ads June 1, 2018

Door Prize Donations:
Door Prizes can be given away by your law firm representative at the dinner. Dinner is attended by approximately 144 people and is a very good opportunity for your firm to receive recognition from our members.

Suggestions for Door Prizes:
- Gift Certificates for dinner, etc.
- A bottle of wine
- Gift Baskets
- $25 or $50 Cash Donation - A prize or gift card will be purchased in your firm’s name

Company Name: __________________________ Contact: __________________________
Phone: __________________________ E-mail: __________________________
Representative Attending Dinner: __________________________

__ Hole Sponsorship (Non-Golfer) x 1 = $250
__ Hole Sponsorship (Golfer) x 1 = $150
__ Additional Dinner $35.00 Name for badge: __________________________
__ Door Prize Donation $25 x ____ = _______
__ Door Prize Donation $50 x ____ = _______

TOTAL $ _______ (Sponsor payment due with form)

__ Check # ___________ *Credit Card Number: __________________________
*Credit card information will be kept confidential

Remit payment to: ACBA, P.O. Box 2587, Centennial, CO 80161 Fax: (303) 991-6034 or E-mail: info@arapbar.org

Questions? Call 303/797-2227 or email info@arapbar.org

Contract: The receipt of this contract with the required fee reserves a hole sponsorship for the signee or his/her designee. ACBA reserves the right to assign holes to all vendors, rearrange the hole plan, and/or relocate sponsors as needed in the event of a conflict or extenuating circumstance. Sponsors may not assign or sublet any space without prior written approval of the ACBA. Each vendor must make provisions for the safeguarding of goods, materials, equipment, and display at all times. Neither the ACBA nor the golf club will be responsible for property damage or loss of such items. Each vendor assumes responsibility for its materials, display and equipment at all times. The vendor agrees to insure itself, at its own expense, against liability for personal injury. The vendor assumes full responsibility for property damage, personal injury, or death of any party by reason of the vendor's participation in the exhibition or meeting activities.
Calendar of Events

April
- Board Meeting
  12pm
- Divorce & the Small Business Owner CLE
  (Check E-News for info)
- MVL Barristers Benefit Ball
- Spring CLE - Napa, CA

May
- Board Meeting
  11:30 am
- 18th JD Spring Family Law Fair
- Annual Meeting & Golf Tournament
- CBA Leadership Summit (Officers)

June
- Annual Meeting & Golf Tournament
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  11 May
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Visit www.arapahoecountybar.org for more information...
Click “Full Event List” for more information...