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**Menu**

**Salad:** Inverness House Salad with Mixed Baby Field Greens, Garden Vegetables and Chef’s choice of Dressing

**Choice of Entree:**
- Herb Grilled Flatiron Steak with Bordelaise Sauce Horseradish Potato Puree and Fresh Seasonal Vegetable
- Grilled Atlantic Salmon with Sweet Onion Tomato Relish Wild Rice Pilaf and Fresh Seasonal Vegetable
- Chef-selected Vegetarian

**Dessert:** Turtle Cheesecake with Caramel, Chocolate Sauce and Candied Pecans

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**SAVE THE DATES**

- **Winter Social w/ CWBA**  
  Tuesday, January 29th
- **Mock Trials**  
  Fri-Sat, February 22-23rd
- **Spring CLE**  
  May 15-18th
- **Annual Meeting**  
  Friday, June 14th

**2019 JUDGES DINNER**

Friday, January 25th  
ACBA Past Presidents Reception - 5:00 pm  
Social - 6:00 pm  
Dinner - 7:00 pm

**Hilton Denver Inverness, 200 Inverness Dr. W., Englewood**

Register by Monday, January 21st  
- CASH BAR  
- Business attire

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Shaping our future

Since 2014, the Association has been contributing to the development of new attorneys through its Mentor/Mentee program. The program was organized on the belief that that a mentorship relationship should be mutually beneficial to both the mentor and mentee. This year, the Chairs for the Mentor/Mentee Committee, Carolyn Wiley and Graham Hersh, have decided to revamp the offerings of the program.

Earlier in the year, Jersey Green offered the Mentor/Mentee program a great opportunity by agreeing to provide new attorneys free one-on-one coaching to allow them to develop their practice skills. Jersey Green is still offering this service and he can be reached at 303-296-4440 for more information.

On January 16, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Maggie Smith’s Irish Pub (6631 S. Peoria Street, Englewood, Colorado), the Mentor/Mentee program is also offering mentors and mentees an opportunity to “Greet and Grow” through a speed dating for mentorship event. This opportunity will allow mentors and mentees to meet and form organic connections with individuals that can provide a mutually beneficial mentoring relationship. I encourage both mentors and mentees to sign up for this fun event. Drinks and appetizers will be provided to all who sign up. Students and non-members are welcome!

The Association has also contributed to shaping our future through its participation in the Regional High School Mock Trial Tournament. The High School Mock Trial Program offers high school students an opportunity to improve a number of skills including their public speaking and critical thinking skills. The program also teaches students the importance of teamwork. Each year, the Association needs volunteers to help judge, score, and monitor the regional competition. This year’s competition is February 22nd and 23rd at the Arapahoe County Justice Center. You can find information on how to sign up to help shape our future at this event on our website at www.arapahoecountybar.org.

Finally, the Laptop from Lawyer’s program, which is the signature program supported by the Arapahoe County Bar Foundation, has been a longstanding program that has allowed our members to contribute to the development of future generations. You can read more about this program’s champion in this quarter’s member spotlight, which highlights the contributions of Mike Miller to this Association.

The Laptop from Lawyer’s program gives laptops to disadvantaged high school seniors in Arapahoe County that through adversity have been able to excel and have been accepted to attend a college or university. The program is funded by the Arapahoe County Bar Foundation through pledges made by it’s members, as well as donations by the ACBA’s members. The Foundation will be giving away laptops at the upcoming annual meeting and golf tournament in June and has expanded its contributions to the community by committing to provide a laptop to two qualified students from each high school in Arapahoe County. We need your support now more than ever to allow this program to continue to shape our future. You can sign up to become a member of the Foundation or donate to the Foundation on our website under the “Giving Back” link.

While this is only a highlight of the programs the Association is involved in that contribute to shaping future generations, there are several more programs we participate in each year. If you are interested in other ways you can get involved in shaping our future, please contact the bar office at info@arapbar.org. Here’s to a happy and healthy new year!
Volunteers Needed for 2019 Mock Trial Tournament!
FRIDAY & SATURDAY
February 22nd & 23rd

The 34th Annual Colorado State High School Mock Trial Competition will begin with regional competitions in February 2019. We need volunteers to help to judge, score or monitor the Arapahoe County Regional tournament. You will be provided with all materials needed as well as an orientation. Volunteering for a round takes approximately three hours. There are two rounds each day and you may volunteer for as many rounds as your schedule permits.

Our members’ participation in these critical roles will create an ideal educational opportunity for our students. The Arapahoe County Regional is annually a competitive, exciting tournament that produces some of the top finishing teams at the State Competition.

Please visit www.arapahoeCountybar.com for details and to sign up or use sign-up form on page 9!
Questions? Contact the ACBA at info@arapbar.org.

The 2019 Spring CLE program in Montréal, Canada in the final planning stages! This popular educational trip begins with a meet & greet President’s Reception on Wednesday evening. CLE seminars are on Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings with optional group activities scheduled in the afternoons. We are currently planning a city tour on Thursday afternoon and a tour of the spectacular Montréal Botanical Gardens on Friday. Tour reservations open soon.

Plan to spend time before and/or after the program to enjoy all that Montréal has to offer. We will be staying at L’Hôtel Place D’Armes in Old Montréal and have contracted a room rate (based on single or double occupancy) of CAD$299 (US$225 on 1.8.19) for a Classic King Room per night plus tax (this is CAD$70 off the standard rate!). Room upgrades are available including Classic 2 Beds for CAD$319. (Higher room categories available). You may choose to stay longer at the contracted room rate for 3 nights prior and/or 3 nights after our seminar. Registration form on page 11.
In its sixtieth year, the Arapahoe County Bar Association is reflecting on its roots and history, not only to understand its beginning and how it got to where it is now, but also to help map the future of the organization. The ACBA members are its lifeblood and the engine that continues to make the organization as powerful as it is; without its members the ACBA does not exist. The ACBA owes its existence and success to its pioneering members.

While every member has a role to play in the organization, one member of the ACBA has worked tirelessly in helping to create the organization as we know it and continues to have a hand in its direction and future.

Michael P. Miller has been a member of the ACBA since 1978 and has filled almost every role (including serving as President) and has received nearly every award that the ACBA offers (including the Tommy Drinkwine Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year Award). While the positions and the awards are a testament to Mike's dedication and commitment to the ACBA, the legal community, Arapahoe County and the State of Colorado at large, Mike's contributions to the ACBA continue to be felt today.

Mike's father, Martin (Marty) Miller (1924-2007) was one of the original founders of the ACBA who as a District Court Judge for the then 1st Judicial District, called from the bench to have the Arapahoe County lawyers form their own Bar Association. Mike stepped into the shoes of a bar leader and helped work to bring the ACBA to the next level of success. Michael has been instrumental in introducing and helping to incorporate modern initiatives and programs into the bar.

Prior to serving as an officer with the ACBA, Mike helped fund and produce a 35-minute video production captioned “The Birth of the Bar.” This film produced by the UC Denver Film and Theatre Department, interviewed every surviving founder of the ACBA and captured many of their thoughts and memories of the early days of the ACBA. This film is a must see and is available on the new ACBA web page.

When Mike served as President Elect, he was the first ACBA member to attend the Bar Leaders Institute conference in Chicago hosted by the American Bar Association. During this event, he discovered that the ACBA was the largest bar association in the country without a dedicated executive director. With this revelation and upon Mike's insistence, the ACBA hired its first executive director, and continues to rely on amazing and dedicated people to help run and manage the day-to-day operations of the ACBA. The hiring of an executive director has allowed the ACBA to continue to offer the services, programming, and events that the members expect, and has made the ACBA one of the leading bar associations in Colorado.

Mike has also worked to implement another signature program of the ACBA which is the Arapahoe County Bar Foundation. Mike worked, pushed, pulled, and assisted in the creation of the Bar Foundation and its signature program. This organization’s mission, among other charitable endeavors, is to raise money for the “Laptops from Lawyers” program that gives laptop computers to deserving high school students in Arapahoe County who, but for this award, would be attending college or university without a laptop computer. Since its inception, the ACBF has given away over 200 laptops to deserving students. Much like the decision to hire an executive director, the Bar Foundation organization is a program that is a model program that continues to set the ACBA apart as a leading bar association in Colorado.

Mike continues to this day to play an integral role in the management and organization of the Arapahoe Bar Association and sits as the Chair of the Arapahoe County Bar Foundation. As importantly, Mike fills an important role as a “keeper” of the knowledge that is a critical link between the history and future of the bar. Retaining and understanding the history of the bar is critical to the future of this outstanding organization.

The ACBA owes a debt of gratitude to many members, originators, pioneers, and leaders like Michael Miller. Thank you for everything that you have done, and continue to do, for the Arapahoe County Bar Association, the Arapahoe County Bar Foundation, Arapahoe County, and Colorado.

by Honorable Benjamin Currier
President Magistrate Ryan coordinated volunteer nights at the Aurora Ronald McDonald House from August through December. This was a fun and rewarding experience preparing and serving dinner to families who are going through difficult times.

Thank you to all who participated!

The Arapahoe County Bar Foundation purchased nearly $1400 in gifts for Partnering for the Holidays Winter Wonderland store; a program of the Arapahoe County Department of Human Services. Thank you to all who donated at the Holiday Party!

The ACBA is looking for a total of eight volunteers for brief appointments with patrons of Smoky Hill Library.

We would like to fill the following practice areas:
2 - Trusts/Estates (have one/need one more)
2 - Family Law (have one/need one more)
1 - General Litigation - Landlord-Tenant and Collections
1 - Elder Law
1 - Minor Criminal / Traffic
1 - Immigration

Email info@arapbar.org to sign up.

Thank you!
The ABA National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being released its omnibus report a little over a year ago, outlining the “wellness” challenges facing lawyers, judges, and law students nationwide. A copy of the report can be found online here: National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being. Our own Jim Coyle, former Regulation Counsel with the Colorado Supreme Court, was a co-chairman of the Task Force. That Report provides illumination on the pervasive nature of the wellness issues facing lawyers across the country and here in the 18th Judicial District.

The Task Force Report laid out a framework of suggestions for various “stakeholders”, including local bar associations like the Arapahoe County Bar Association (“ACBA”). The ACBA has decided to focus on the needs of our members as it relates to Lawyer Wellness under the leadership of the Honorable Echo Ryan, ACBA’s President. The ABA Report Included in the recommendations applicable to the ACBA as follows:

- Acknowledge the existence of problems within the ACBA;
- Take responsibility to address wellness issues in our community;
- Call leaders within the ACBA to make personal commitments to wellbeing;
- Engage in conduct to “destigmatize” wellness issues and facilitate and encourage help-seeking behaviors;
- Foster collegiality and respectful engagement over wellness issues;
- Provide high quality educational programs and materials about lawyer well-being;
- Guide and support the transition of older lawyers;
- Begin a dialogue about suicide prevention;
- Serve as an example of best practices relating to lawyer well-being at bar association events; and
- Launch a lawyer well-being committee within the bar association.

As noted, President Ryan has given her full-hearted support and leadership to implementing the recommendations of the Task Force within the ACBA. The Board of Directors of the ACBA, as well as the Committee Chairs of the ACBA, have voiced their desire to support President Ryan’s call to action. It is the intention of the ACBA to engage in purposeful and meaningful action over the coming months and years to engage on all of the issues raised by the Task Force.

One of the first steps President Ryan took in this regard was the formation of a Committee on Lawyer Well-Being within the ACBA. That Committee is charged with the responsibility to formulate a mission statement for the ACBA on this important topic and outline various steps that can be taken to provide wellness assistance to our members. In the coming months and years it is the desire of the Committee to open the dialogue about lawyer wellness and begin the process of helping our members deal with the myriad of well-being issues they face. A non-exhaustive list of issues includes: mental health issues such as stress, depression, and anxiety; work-life balance; substance use and abuse including addiction and recovery; and end of practice issues related to performance, transition, and client protection. The Committee is open to suggestions and offers of assistance as we explore these (and other) well-being issues.

Lawyer wellness is a pressing concern in the 18th Judicial District. The leaders and members of the ACBA are committed to exploring, destigmatizing, and discussing lawyer wellness issues, and to enhancing lawyer wellness wherever possible. We invite you to join with us in this journey.

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**LAWYER WELLNESS COMMITTEE**

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From left: Ryan Pardue, Nick Fogel, Graham Hersh and Lewis Osterman

James Benjamin and Isabel Benjamin

January - March 2019
Arapahoe County Bar Association

2019 Judges Dinner Registration Form

Join Us As We Honor the Bench

Friday, January 25th

Location: Hilton Denver Inverness, 200 Inverness Drive West, Englewood, CO 80112
Time: Past Presidents Reception - 5:00 pm (by invitation)
Social - 6:00 pm (Colorado Lounge)
Dinner - 7:00 pm (Alpine Ballroom)

Cost: $70 per person
Early-bird registration ends January 21st
(Add $5 after Jan. 21st)

NAME(S) (Allergies? Email name/allergy to info@arapbar.org)
________________________________________________
________________________________________________

*Flat Iron Steak
*Grilled Salmon
*Chef-selected Vegetarian

Firms/organizations registering several attendees are welcome to email info@arapbar.org a separate list with names of attendees and their guests (include title for judicial officers) along with individual meal selections.

*See www.arapahoecountybar.org for description of dinner menu and to register online. Register by Jan. 21st to guarantee entree selection.

BE A SPONSOR IN THE JUDGES DINNER PROGRAM

Feature your firm with a half, quarter, or business card size ad in the program and help the ACBA with dinner expenses.

Prices:
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Quarter-page ($125) .................................................
Business Card Size ($75) ...........................................

Ads received after noon on January 18th are not guaranteed space in the program.

Please send your program ad file in jpeg format (minimum 300 dpi). Visit 'Events' at www.arapahoecountybar.org for size requirements

Total Paid$______________ (for dinners and optional dinner program sponsorship)
Payment Type: Check # ____________ Visa__ MasterCard__ Amex__ Discover ___

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HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TOURNAMENT
February 22 & 23
VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET
Arapahoe County Justice Center
7325 S. Potomac St., Centennial, CO 80112
Volunteer Check-In: Jury Assembly Room

Sign-up online at www.arapahoecountybar.org

Please print legibly

Name:_________________________________________ Email:______________________________________________

Cell Phone:___________________________________ Work Phone:__________________________________________

Phone numbers will only be used if there is a change in schedule or if we need to contact you the day of tournament.

What is your occupation? (check one)

❑ Presiding Judge       ❑ Attorney       ❑ Paralegal/ Law Student       ❑ Other: ___________________

I prefer to volunteer as a (check one):

❑ Presiding Judge: This volunteer role is a current or retired Colorado Judge or an expert mock trial volunteer. During the competition the presiding judge acts as the voice of the panel, controls the conduct of the courtroom and trial participants, and supervises the time constraints imposed by the rules of competition. The presiding judge rules on motions and objections based on the rules of evidence. The presiding judge does not announce a verdict on the legal merits of the case, but in all other respects conducts the trial as if it were a real trial.

❑ Scoring Panelist: Three attorneys, paralegals or community members comprise the scoring panel. The score is based on presentation and not on the legal merits of the team's case. A scoresheet is completed.

❑ Courtroom Monitor: This individual normally is a member of the public, employed at the courthouse, or any other volunteer that does’t wish to score or judge a round. This is a very important role for a smooth tournament overall.

Indicate names of high schools in Arapahoe County with which you have conflicts: ____________________________

Below are four rounds to sign up for. There are two rounds on Friday and two rounds on Saturday. An orientation will be given to all volunteers before each round. Confirmation emails will be sent closer to tournament date. Indicate by checking which round(s) you would like to participate in below.

**Friday, February 22**

❑ 1st Round, Orientation-noon (lunch provided), Rounds start - 1:00 p.m.

❑ 2nd Round, Orientation-3:15 p.m., Rounds start - 4:00 p.m.

**Saturday, February 23**

❑ 3rd Round, Orientation-8:00 a.m. (bagels & coffee), Rounds start - 9:00 a.m.

❑ 4th Round, Orientation – 11:45 a.m. (lunch provided), Rounds start – 12:30 p.m.

Please mail, fax or email completed forms to the Arapahoe County Bar Association
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Registration Form
(Register by March 29th)

CLE Attendee Name

Attorney [ ]
Non-Attorney [ ]
Cell# [ ]

Spouse/Guest Name

[ ]

Hotel Check In Date [ ]
Airline & Flight # [ ]
Time [ ]

Hotel Check Out Date [ ]
Airline & Flight # [ ]
Time [ ]

Please share my travel information with other attendees. [ ] Yes [ ] No

*Please note that the ACBA will reserve your hotel accommodations based on the dates provided above. The ACBA requires your credit card number to reserve your room. Two nights deposit will be charged to your card upon reservation. Cancellations must be made 7 days prior to arrival to avoid a complete stay to be charged to credit card. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 p.m. Hotel cancellations must be made 3 days prior to scheduled day of arrival to avoid a one-night cancellation charge. Group rate available 3 days pre and post seminar dates. ATTENTION: This hotel is expected to sell out so early reservations highly recommended. We have a limited number of rooms and try to accommodate all attendees.

NOTES (i.e. vegetarian, food allergies, special needs for each person)______________________________

Message to Attendees: The ACBA has made every effort to secure the best possible group nightly room rate for you at this event. The ACBA room rate results from a negotiated overall package of event needs such as sleeping rooms, meeting room space and other requirements. The ACBA will incur costs if the association falls short of its minimum room block guarantee. Please help the ACBA keep the costs of this event as low as possible by booking your accommodations through the ACBA so we may include your stay in the ACBA room block. The ACBA appreciates your support and understanding of this issue. (Exchange rate per night = $USD225 on 1.8.19)

□ US$180 -Spring CLE Registration (includes reception, American breakfast x3 days, PDF handouts & up to 9 CLE credits)

□ US$35/day x ___ days - Guest Breakfast on [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday [ ] Saturday

(Telephone Tour registration will be requested separately at a later date. Tours on Thursday & Friday afternoons - tentatively ending by 6pm)

Tentative Program Schedule

Wednesday, May 15th - President's Reception 6 - 7 p.m.
Thursday, May 16th - Seminars 8:30 -11:30 a.m.
Friday, May 17th - Seminars 8:30 -11:30 a.m.
Saturday, May 18th - Seminars 8:30 -11:30 a.m.

CLE Attendee E-mail:______________________________

Guest E-mail: ________________________________

Advance registration required - will be complete upon receipt of payment. Presenters may request $30 discount on registration fee.

*No-shows will be invoiced

*Credit Card Number: __________ __________ __________ __________  
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□ *$319 + tax/night - Classic Double (two full beds)

Contact bar office for prices on additional room upgrades

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