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June 16, 2017  
Arrowhead Golf Club  
GOLF  
Registration - Noon  
Shotgun Start - 1:30 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING  
Social Hour - 6:00 p.m.  
Dinner - 7:00 p.m.

Join fellow ACBA members for the Annual Meeting and Hon. Robert B. Lee Memorial Golf Tournament. This year’s tournament will be held at the beautiful Arrowhead Golf Club in Littleton, CO. This is a great way to network with others while enjoying an afternoon of golf, food, and drinks… on the links! Organize your own team, or sign up individually – we’ll be happy to pair you with other fun-seekers! Prizes will be given out at the Annual Dinner Meeting.

Following the tournament, the ACBA will hold their Annual Dinner Meeting in which special recognition is given to those making significant, positive impacts on the ACBA and the community.

The Arapahoe County Bar Foundation (ACBF), through its “Laptops from Lawyers” program, will present laptops to a select few college-bound high school graduates. Information on how you can donate to this valuable program is in this issue.

Highlight your firm’s support of the ACBA. Sponsor a hole at the golf tournament or donate a door prize and be featured in the program and next issue of NewsBriefs. Registration & sponsorship info in this issue.

We look forward to seeing you on June 16th!

Use the forms inside or register online at www.ArapahoeCountyBar.org
2016-17 President’s Perspective

David P. Hersh

Meaning

“When you’re up to your neck in alligators, it’s easy to forget that the initial objective was to drain the swamp to rid the village of malaria.”

In the daily grind to fulfill billable hours, run a small business teetering on the edge of ruin, satisfy a demanding boss, handle the unending stream of motions, pay our student loans, or simply find some decent kind of work/life balance, we begin to lose touch with the meaning of it all. Things that used to bring joy are now either missing or feel “flat.” Tasks become obligations, and the “dailiness” of our practices wear us down.

Does this scenario sound familiar to you?

For many lawyers, we know these symptoms all too well. Young or old, experienced or “green”, “successful” or struggling—none of us are immune from looking up from our computers or “smart” phones or piles of paper and saying to ourselves: “Why am I doing this? What is the meaning? How did I get here?” It is easy to focus on the alligators nipping at our ears.

While I do not offer Pollyanna-esque answers to these questions, I DO applaud you for asking them. In my experience, simply stopping—to ask the questions, to evaluate, to search for meaning in our practices—is THE first step in finding the answers.

Whatever your area of practice and circumstances may be, I do believe that the practice of law in Colorado in 2017 has significance, value, and meaning. I offer a couple of thoughts—by no means exhaustive—for your consideration as you seek the answers to these questions:

At the most basic level, lawyers help people. When our clients are placed in difficult situations and are unable to fend for themselves, we help them and offer valuable resources.

- Lawyers are key to a system of laws that transcends politics, social conflict, and racial divides, providing citizens with a working system of solutions to otherwise intractable problems. Without lawyers and judges, the system doesn’t work.
- Lawyers are leaders who enrich, enhance, and reinforce the values that bind us together as a community.
- Lawyers are professionals, not merchants: we make our living serving the greater good. Our oath and our commitment to serve the Rule of Law is a noble and valuable gift to our community and our clients.

I believe our commitment and service to our community is one of the great aspects of the Arapahoe County Bar Association. I am grateful for each one who volunteers her or his time to serve our community through our Bar Association. Thank you for being a member of our Association—your Association—you are enriching our community. I encourage you to consider volunteering some (or more) of your time to serve our community through the ACBA or other civic/charitable service.

And of course, as you ask these questions, if you would like some professional help, your lawyer registration dues have paid for access to such help through COLAP. If you just wish to speak to someone, there are many members of our Association who would welcome your call, text, or email. If you would like to explore our formal Mentor/Mentee program, we would welcome you.

As we continue our daily battle against the alligators, I applaud you for looking up to remind yourself that we are indeed here to help our village. Your service to our community makes a difference.

1 This “proverb” has no solid known origin, but the image resonates with me. This is NOT a political article.
3 You are welcome to email, call, or text me if you like. dhersh@burgsimpson.com 303-517-9669.
On Friday, January 27, 2017, the Arapahoe Bar Association welcomed over 55 judges to the annual Judges’ Dinner at the Hyatt Regency DTC. There were judicial officers from the 18th Judicial District, including Chief Judge Carlos Samour, Colorado Supreme Court Justice Richard Gabriel, judges from the Court of Appeals, and various municipal judges in attendance. Judge Addison “Spike” Adams, Judge Alex Bencze, Judge Richard Caschette, and Judge Christine Chauche 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, a/v, and other onsite needs... this event would not have been a success without you! Thank you to all who attended - we hope to see you again next year!

The Mock Trial Competition was held in February at the Arapahoe County Judicial Center. This year, 22 teams from 11 area high schools worked for many months preparing for the four trials in which each team participated. This was one of the largest regional tournaments in the state. The ACBA wishes to thank all of the judges, attorneys, team coaches and community members who made our tournament a gratifying success.

Here are the results... The Professionalism Award went to Kent Denver A (Code G).

Five teams advanced to the state tournament:
- 5th place - St. Mary’s C, Team Code P;
- 4th place - Regis Jesuit B, Team Code D;
- 3rd place - St. Mary’s A, Team Code N;
- 2nd place - Regis Jesuit A, Team Code M;
- 1st place - Kent Denver A, Team Code G. Colorado Academy won state.
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 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 10th.

Email to info@arapbar.org or fax to 303-991-6034

Mail to: ACBA, 6060 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Ste. 800, Greenwood Village, CO 80111
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 to info@arapbar.org or faxed to 303-991-6034.

**Deadline May 10, 2017.**

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, with 40 members and non-members in attendance, including Judge Laurie Booras from the Colorado Court of Appeals and CBA Deputy Executive Director, Greg Martin. CBA President, Patricia Jarzobski, presented awards to Bruce Schilken and Jack F. Smith to celebrate 50 years in practice. The ACBA would like to thank attorneys Dean McConnell (Associate General Counsel at COPIC) and Dan McCune (former DBA President and senior partner at the law firm of Childs McCune) for their musical entertainment on the bagpipes and traditional Irish attire... they made the evening extra special!

ACCESS TO JUSTICE LOW PAY/SLOW PAY

The Access to Justice Committee hopes to increase the list of low pay/slow pay attorneys available in Arapahoe County. To get on list, members may contact the self-represented litigant coordinators (“Sherlocks”) at the courthouse. The criminal and civil lists will be maintained separately.

Coordinators rotate the list so the names shift in order of how they appear to make sure it’s evenly distributed and no one receives any sort of preference. The list shows attorneys who do low pay, who do slow pay or who do Rule 11(b) or all of them. It’s up to the Attorney.

Self-Represented Litigant Coordinators:

- **Arapahoe County:**
  - Alison Ruggiero
  - 18courthelpcenter@judicial.state.co.us
  - 720-568-4844

- **Douglas County:**
  - Selena Cassiday
  - 18courthelpcenter@judicial.state.co.us
  - 720-437-6112.
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. Nine laptops were awarded in 2016 (3 of 9 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 will give you and your firm special recognition in the program at the Annual Meeting where these students will be presented with their computers. A donation of your choice can be added to your annual meeting or golf tournament registration form to help sponsor a student laptop scholarship. If you cannot play golf or attend the annual meeting, please use the form below to make your tax-deductible donation.

Thank you for your support!

**2017 Laptops from Lawyers Donation Form**

Name (First & Last)___________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
City: ________________ State ____ Zip ________
Telephone _____________ Email ________________________________

**Total Donation to Foundation $_________**

Method of Payment: __ check # _____________ __ Visa __ MasterCard __ Discover __ Amex

*Credit Card Number: ____________________________ CID: ________ Exp. Date _____/_____

Name on the card: _______________________________________

Law Firm or Business Contact: _______________________________________

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Denver Law
Named Scholarship

Pictured left to right: David Hersh, Terry Leopold, (Ret. Chief) Judge John Leopold, Elizabeth Little (Leopold/ACBA Scholar), and Dean Smith (Sturm College of Law Dean).

(Ret. Chief) Judge Leopold and Mrs. Leopold have continued the scholarship stated by the ACBA and have gratefully and generously allowed the ACBA to remain part of the name of this scholarship. The scholarship is a beneficiary of the Leopold’s estate plan.
2017 Annual Meeting
Registration for Dinner Only

June 16th - RSVP by June 5th

Annual Meeting
$45 per person
Social - 6:00 pm
Dinner - 7:00 pm

Special Guests
~ Laptops from Lawyers Recipients

Buffet Style Dinner
Mixed Green Salad, Warm Bread with Butter
Slow Roasted Prime Rib with Au Jus and Horseradish Cream Sauce
Herb Roasted Chicken Breast with Port Demi Sauce
Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Cherry Wild Rice Pilaf with Sweet Cherries, Steamed Asparagus
Homemade Cheesecake

Name: ___________________________________________ Vegetarian? ___ Yes
___________________________________________ ___ Yes
___________________________________________ ___ Yes
___________________________________________ ___ Yes
___________________________________________ ___ Yes

Law Firm or Affiliation: ___________________________ Contact name: __________________________

Telephone _______________ Email ____________________

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

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Email info@arapbar.org
Fax: (303) 991-6034

Or Register online at www.arapahoecountybar.org

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

LAWRENCE M. VOGEL

will be joining their panel May 1, 2017.

2017 BARRISTERS BENEFIT BALL

AROUND THE WORLD

Patron Table (10 guests)* $3,250
Patron Ticket* $275
Individual Ticket $150
Judicial Ticket $100
Young Lawyer Ticket and Non-Lawyer Ticket $100
Student Ticket $50

*Includes preferential seating and recognition in the dinner program.

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Play 18 with the 18th
Hon. Robert B. Lee Memorial Golf Tournament
and Annual Meeting

June 16th - RSVP By June 5th

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

$150 Golf fee includes greens fees, cart, range balls, GPS, Arrowhead Bag Tag, 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. Club Rules: 1) NO metal spikes 2) Proper golf attire required including collared shirts. 3) Participants must adhere to rules covering the use of the course and golf carts. 4) Each player required to have own golf bag/clubs. Rentals available for additional charge.

**Golf & Dinner:**
$150 per person
(Golf Only/No Dinner - $130)

**Tournament will be a scramble format.**

Name: ___________________________________ Vegetarian? ___ Yes Golf Only? ___ Yes

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Name: ___________________________________ Vegetarian? ___ Yes Golf Only? ___ Yes

Requested foursome (No more than 1 single digit handicap player will be permitted in a foursome):

1. _____________________________________ 3. _____________________________________

2. _____________________________________ 4. _____________________________________

Annual Meeting
Dinner Only: **$45 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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Or Register online at www.ArapahoeCountyBar.org

Arrowhead Golf Club
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Littleton, CO 80125
(303) 973-9614

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6060 Greenwood Plaza Blvd, Ste. 800
Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Email info@arapbar.org or Fax: (303) 991-6034
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 16, 2017
Set-Up: Noon
Golf Starts at 1:30 pm
Arrowhead Golf Club
10850 West Sundown Trail, Littleton, CO 80125
Social Hour: 6:00 pm, Dinner begins at 7:00 pm

Hole Sponsorship:
$150 (or $110 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 $40.00
- 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 2, 2017

Door Prize Donations:
Door Prizes can be given away by your law firm representative at the dinner. Dinner is attended by approximately 150 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

Deadline for Sponsorship/Door Prize reservation June 2, 2017

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

__ Hole Sponsorship (Non-Golfer) x 1 = $150
__ Hole Sponsorship (Golfer) x 1 = $110
__ Additional Dinner $40.00 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
CID ________ Expiration Date _______/_______

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.

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Calendar of Events

April

Board Meeting 12pm

Mentor-Mentee Social (Check E-News for info)

MVL 2017 Barristers Benefit Ball

May

Spring CLE - New York, NY

June

Board Meeting 12pm

MVL 2017 Barristers Benefit Ball

Visit www.arapahoecountybar.org for more information... Click “Full Event List”