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# **PROCLAMATION**

## ***First Judicial District Bar Association***

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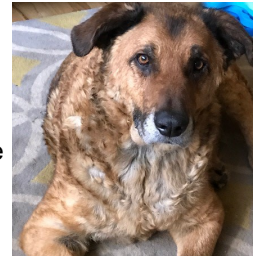
## President's Column Chris Radeff

### It's a Dog's World

Seven years ago I adopted a puppy. This is him at 8 weeks.



His name is Rhett Butler and yes, he is both a gentleman and a cad! Here he is now, a little chubbier and a little grayer. Aren't we all.



I decided to get a dog because I thought it would provide me structure and stress relief, as well as the added benefit of exercise. And of course companionship and a warm fuzzy blanket on cold winter nights. What I didn't realize was how dogs have moved up the social ladder over my lifetime and become not only members of a family, but often the ranking member of that pack. When I was a kid we had a dog and she subsisted on whatever dry food in whatever on-sale bag we bought. She slept primarily on the floor. And she went to the vet only for shots.

Many, many things have changed since then. It's a whole new culture. I admit, I got sucked right into it. I mean, look at that face. How can you say no to that? I couldn't, and so I have become one of "those" dog people:

**Daycare:** Rhett goes to daycare. Yes, I pay \$25 a day at least once a week to give him "socialization" with other dogs. There's a jungle gym he can play on, or in Rhett's case, sleep on. Yes, I pay for my dog to be "socialized" by napping in the sun. At the end of the day I am given a Report Card of how his day went. Here's a recent one:

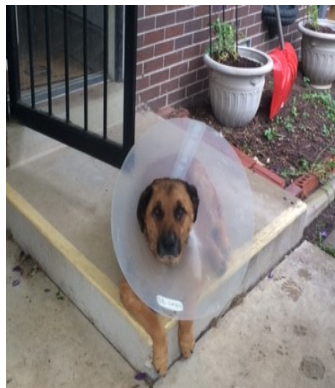
See, they do rate him on Good Citizenship!

Name	Rhett	Breed	Chesky mix	Date	11/16
Evaluated By	Jaip				
Favorite Activity	He has lots of friends!				
Energy level	<input type="checkbox"/> High Energy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mellow		
Plays well with others	Grade	A	Comments	He plays hard then takes a long sn nap.	
Overall Citizenship	Grade	A			
<b>Explanation of Grades</b> A=Excellent B=Very Good C=Acceptable D=Needs Improvement			<b>Explanation of Comments</b> 1. Well-Behaved 2. Follows Directions 3. Enjoys cuddling 4. Likes games 5. Destructive 6. Difficult to handle 7. Excessively Noisy 8. Growls, snaps, or bit		

**Food:** No discount dry food for this guy. I believe Rhett technically eats better than me. I do not buy just any food, oh no, I go to a special pet store to buy the raw food that is made from real meat, potatoes and fruit. And of course while I'm at the store I stock up on frozen bison bones so that he has something to chomp on – besides my couch - for the days he's at home and not being "socialized."

**Grooming:** Ah, grooming. Rhett gets a mani-pedi about every six weeks. Okay, it's really just a nail trim, but for the price it might as well be! When he gets stinky and needs a bath the groomer also uses the Blueberry Under-eye Wash to remove the gross eye boogers dogs get. He does look great afterwards and I've considered trying it myself.

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**Sleeping Quarters:** He has a Tempurpedic dog bed. Now, in his defense, he lost the genetic lottery. He has the bones of a German Shepherd (hip dysplasia, arthritis) with the girth of a Chesapeake Bay Retriever (but does not actually like to swim). This has resulted in two knee surgeries in two years, with three month stints each in The Cone Of Shame.

**Medical Care:** And, of course, there's always something else going on with him – skin irritation, arthritic elbow, allergies – that I was concerned my veterinarian might think I had Munchausen's by Dog due to the frequency I bring him in! My family thinks it's "enmeshment" or "co-dependency." No comment.

Yes, things have changed for dogs as they have evolved up the social ladder. But the one thing that has not changed is that their companionship helps decrease stress. I find myself ending my work days at a reasonable time because he needs his walk. When we

do go for a walk it's 45 minutes of no phones, no work, just time to enjoy the outside with no distractions. You would also think that, after a long day, a toss of the ball around the backyard could erase even the most persistent stress. I would not really know, as it has been made clear to me that Rhett. Does. Not. Fetch. I would expect no less from him. And I would not have it any other way.

If you are looking for ways to decrease stress and a dog is not in the picture, here are some options brought to you by the 1<sup>st</sup> JD Bar Association:

Going out to lunch with colleagues (CLE Luncheon March 13<sup>th</sup>)  
Love free Donuts and Cookies (Law Day May 2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Enjoying Fine Dining (Annual Banquet September 15<sup>th</sup>)  
Golfing (Annual Golf Tournament October 8<sup>th</sup>)

See what I did there?

### **Would you like to serve on the Board of Directors of the Bar Association?**

Being involved in the bar association is a great way to meet other lawyers, expand your practice and your mind, and serve your local community.

We are looking for interested people to get more involved in the organization! **Please consider that serving on the board involves a small but very important time commitment which includes a monthly board meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 6:30 at the Court-house. A regular term on the board is two years.**

The nominating committee meets in April to consider appointments. If you are interested in a position, or would like to nominate someone, please send a **letter outlining your interest along with a resume** to: [admin@1stjd.org](mailto:admin@1stjd.org)

**Deadline March 31**

### **OFFICE SHARE SW LITTLETON**

Prime office share space at Wadsworth & Bowles for one professional and support staff. Completely furnished corner office and reception area totals approximately 800 square feet.

Pleasant environment, overlooking lake. Possibility of referrals and administrative support.

**Call John (303-)972-4448**



## Civil Rights Litigation Basics for the Criminal Practitioner

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

12:00-1:00 p.m.

Lookout Mountain Room

Jeffco Courthouse

### Presented by Faisal Salahuddin

Mr. Faisal is the founding partner at Frank & Salahuddin. He was recognized by Thomson Reuters as a Rising Star in Criminal Defense in 2015, 2016 and 2017. Faisal's practice includes civil rights, criminal defense, employment discrimination, constitutional law, and legislative policy

\$20 Member –CLE & Lunch

\$25 Non-Member CLE & Lunch

\$10 No Lunch

Register at:

<http://1stjd.org/events/#!event/2018/3/13/civil-rights-litigation-basics-for-the-criminal-practitioner>

Or

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# CHAMPIONS FOR CHILDREN BREAKFAST 2018

Start your day in a giving way!



Thursday, April 12, 2018 | 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Registration starts at 7:10 a.m.

Denver Marriott West

1717 Denver West Blvd. Golden, CO 80401

Join us for a FREE breakfast event and:

- Learn about CASA of Jefferson and Gilpin Counties' important work to advocate for children who have been abused and neglected
  - Hear from someone who personally benefited from CASA Jeffco/Gilpin
  - Understand how you can get involved as a volunteer and/or donor

Your support can help CASA Jeffco/Gilpin advocate for more children!

Did you know that there were approximately 800 children involved in 600 open cases of abuse and neglect in Jefferson and Gilpin counties this past year? CASA Jeffco/Gilpin advocated for 374 children.

Jefferson and Gilpin counties ranked fifth in the state for number of new child abuse and neglect cases filed last year.

**TOGETHER, WE CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE  
OF A CHILD IN NEED!**

R.S.V.P by Friday, April 6th to Meredith McNulty at 303-271-6539  
or [meredithmcnulty@casajeffcogilpin.com](mailto:meredithmcnulty@casajeffcogilpin.com)



# 2018 1<sup>ST</sup> JD Bar Association Awards



## IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT MAKING A NOMINATION FOR THE UPCOMING JUDGES & AWARDS BANQUET

We will be highlighting two awards each month for you to consider.  
You can make a nomination for any of the awards at any time.

Nomination is quick, easy and ONLINE

<http://1stjd.org/2017-awards/#!event-list>

### **GEORGE HOLLEY YOUNG LAWYER AWARD**

#### **Recent Award Winners**

2017 Joshua T. Keltner  
2016 Ryan Hutton  
2015 Paula Holt  
2014 Jonathan Carlson  
2013 Alexandra Harpp

This is given to an attorney under the age of 37 or in practice for less than 5 years who is a member of the First J.D. Bar and is deserving of recognition for her or his activities with the Bar, the community and in the practice of law. The recipient should be someone who reflects a strong commitment to the legal profession and to community service.

### **CLAUDIA D. MILLER LIBERTY BELL AWARD**

#### **Recent Award Winners**

2017 Traci Worthan  
2016 Erin Burns  
2015 Carl Blesch  
2014 Norm Brisson  
2013 Jeff Glenn

This award is given to a non-lawyer who has furthered the interaction of the community and the legal system and provided an uncommon contribution to the system or government as a whole..

## **ADDITIONAL AWARDS**

### **AWARD OF MERIT**

Awarded to the attorney member of the First Judicial District Bar Association who primarily practices in this District, and has provided distinguished service to the Bar and the community deserving of our Association's highest recognition.

### **FREDERICK J. MYERS PROFESSIONALISM AWARD**

This award is to be bestowed upon a member of the First JD Bar Association to honor that attorney who is a model of civility and respect in the legal profession. This is an award to an attorney who demonstrates outstanding professionalism, which is defined as dedication to service to clients in a civil, respectful manner. This award is intended to honor lawyers who demonstrate exemplary ethical conduct, civility and respect, toward all Parties, Counsel, and the Court. Professionalism and civility foster respect and trust between lawyers, the judiciary, and the public. Professionalism serves the best interests of clients, promotes the efficient resolution of disputes, and improves the administration of justice. The attorney honored with this award does not need to be a litigator and his/her area of practice is irrelevant.

**Linda T. Palmieri Award For Outstanding Service to Children** – This is given in recognition of an individual's demonstration of a superior degree of professionalism and commitment to children, and who has worked actively to advance the welfare of children. The individual need not be an attorney, but shall have made significant contribution to the children of the First Judicial District, and the legal system as a whole.

**Lisa Harness Memorial Award**- This person demonstrates a superior degree of professionalism, knowledge and dedication to the position of a Clerk of the Court and has worked in the judicial system for a least one year. Persons who have consistently demonstrated their commitment to going above and beyond to assure that the judicial system and the public are served with an exceptional degree of service are appropriate nominees.

# THANK YOU TO ALL THE MOCK TRIAL VOLUNTEERS-IT WOULD NOT HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU

From Jennifer Melton, Jenna Reulbach Kruszka and Magistrate Joel Schaefer

Justice Boatright	Garrido, Sara	Tieman, Catherine
Judge Arp	Gottl, Myra	Trizna, Kaitlyn
Judge Bachmeyer	Gummerson, Holly	Tuthill, Bill
Judge Hunt	Haas, Andrew	Tuthill, William
Judge Meinster	Hall, Megan	Upshaw, Meghan
Judge Randall	Hansell, Natalie	Weiss, Audrey
Judge Sargent	Hect, Kevin	Weitzel, Lynne
Judge Taylor	Heller, Joan	Welch, Tyler
Judge Tighe	Hendrix, Alan	West, Dion
Judge Vance	Humphries, Guy	Wilkening, Murray
Judge Woodford	Hyde, Bill	Woods, Dylan
Judge Zenisek	Jones, Sue	
	Jordan, Melanie	
Magistrate Carrithers	Kelson, Ann	
Magistrate Loewer	Koehler, Loretta	
Magistrate Schaefer	Landy, Josh	
	Larson, Cara	
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Boog, Victor	Miller, Ana	
Bryan, Jennifer	Mitts, Christina	
Bushong, Lauren	Montoya, Christina	
Bustamante, Marie	Moore, Don	
Butler, Eric	Morrissey, Matthew	
Cardone, Amy	Nidy, Gregory	
Chandler, Kara	Nistco, Trip	
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Danborn, Paul	Norwood, Matt	
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