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## Presidents Column

Preston Branaugh

We have started a new physical year (July – June), and as a result we have a few transitions happening with our Board of Directors. The new board is comprised of: Preston Branaugh, Alan Hendrix, Jennifer Kilpatrick, Alexandra Brady, Nicholas Campbell, Matt Durkin, Adam Hepp, Judge Russell Klein, Joseph Maher, Andrew McLetchie, Kelci Sundahl, Judge David Taylor, Rebecca Taylor, Catherine Tieman, Judge Lindsay VanGilder, Andrew Hart, Samantha Lillehoff, Kim Sparks and Judge Christopher Zenisek. We will provide a bit of further introduction of these board members in our next month's newsletter.

This month I would like to highlight the outgoing board members:



LaQunya Baker: big changes are in progress for LaQunya! She was appointed an Arapahoe County Judge starting in July. She is leaving her private practice where she was an owner in Baker Oliver Simpson Law PLLC. She assisted Judge Jennifer Melton with the Mock Trial competition in JeffCo the past year and did a great job. She will be missed in the First JD but will be a great addition to the Eighteenth JD!



Ryan Hutton: Ryan will continue his private practice at Hulse Law Firm. Ryan has previously served through the leadership track in the First JD, serving as President during 2019-2020. Ryan is a previous recipient of the George Holley Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year (2016). During Ryan's tenure as a board member and as an Executive Committee member he volunteered numerous times to handle complex issues that always ended in a successful resolution that included all perspectives.



Dennis Polk: Dennis will continue his practice with Holley, Albertson & Polk, PC. Dennis has served on the First JD board in multiple stints, dating back to 1987. Dennis was always generous with his advice for the board based on his wealth of experience. He was a strong presence and will be remembered for his honesty and ability to get to the heart of a problem.



Magistrate Marianne Tims: Magistrate Tims will continue as a District Court Magistrate in the First JD. What you may not have known about Magistrate Tims is that she has been a member of the Supreme Court Standing Committee on Civil Rules during her tenure on our First JD Board. She served two four year terms on the board; serving the second four year term when we requested that she stay because of her outstanding contributions. We will miss Magistrate Tims invaluable contributions to our organization as a sounding board for decisions that overlap into the judicial bench.



Jennie Wray: Jennie will continue her private practice at Harris Law. In addition to her activities with the First JD, she has also volunteered with the Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center and is a partner at the firm. Jennie brought an open positive attitude to all her endeavors and will be missed for sharing that uplifting spirit with her fellow board members.

Each of these five departing board members have contributed in a variety of ways, but now move to new avenues. Perhaps you can help fill the void of their departure, serving on various committees or activities that will need to be carried on. If you are available and interested, please contact Vicki Malara, our longtime Executive Director (303-279-0753 or [admin@1stjd.org](mailto:admin@1stjd.org))

Preston Branaugh, President ('22-'23)  
First Judicial District Bar Association

**2022 1<sup>st</sup> JD Bar Association  
Golf Tournament  
For the Benefit of CASA**

**Thursday, September 22, 2022  
Hiwan Golf Club 30671 Clubhouse Lane, Evergreen, CO 80439  
11:00 Check-In/Lunch and 12:00 Golf  
Cost: \$150 per golfer  
Free lunch and beer**

This year we will again be hosting a **Happy Hour** open to golfer and non-golfers alike. Come enjoy the fresh air, hang out with the resident elk and enjoy appetizers and drinks **5:30-7:30**  
Registered golfers- Happy Hour is included in your entry fee  
Non golfers—cost for hors d'oeuvres & cash bar \$25 per person

**GOLF SPONSORSHIP – \$300**

In lieu of hole sponsors we will be providing the golfers a packet of information upon arrival which will include a cover sheet listing all sponsors. We believe this allows for more attention to who our sponsors are than a sign at the hole. If you sponsor at this level, your sponsorship will also be included in the Proclamation after the tournament.

**FULL TOURNAMENT SPONSORSHIP—\$1000**

2 Free Golfers and one month full page ad in the Proclamation

**FLIGHT:** The score that you have on a hole dictates which tee box you hit off on the next hole. All teams start on the middle tees and then your score determines which tee box you hit from on the next hole, i.e. every par you stay at the same tee box on the next hole. Birdie, you move back. Bogey, you move forward. The only 3 tees we would use would be front back and middle.

**Questions**-contact Chris Radeff at 303-985-8787 or [radeff@rhfamlaw.com](mailto:radeff@rhfamlaw.com) Should the entire tournament be canceled due to weather or health requirements, all sponsors will have the option of obtaining a full refund or donating all or a part of their sponsorship to CASA.

**REGISTER FOR GOLF HAPPY HOUR OR SPONSORSHIPS AT:**

<https://1stjd.org/events/#!event/2022/9/22/2022-1st-jd-bar-association-golf-tournament-happy-hour-and-sponsorship-for-the-benefit-of-casa>

**If you are registering a team, send the team members names to [admin@1stjd.org](mailto:admin@1stjd.org)**



**The Banquet Committee is gearing up for a great  
Judges and Awards Banquet early next year.**

**Please take a moment to nominate one of your deserving colleagues. Check  
the qualifications below to assure your nominee meets the qualifications.  
Questions? Email to [admin@1st.org](mailto:admin@1st.org).**

**Nominate at: <https://1stjd.org/awards/#!event-list>**

**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.

**GEORGE HOLLEY YOUNG LAWYER AWARD**- 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** This award is given to an individual 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.

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What would you like to see  
more of this year?

**EDUCATIONAL CLE'S  
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COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

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Email or call with your  
suggestions.

Message line 303-279-0753  
Email [admin@1stjd.org](mailto:admin@1stjd.org).

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Office for lease at 7400 Wadsworth Blvd., #101 with conference room with pantry. Best for one lawyer but room for two and secretary plus file room.

A solo lawyer is retiring and his entire office contents are available. You may lease a fully furnished law office with high quality desk, credenza, file cabinets and bookcases. Or, you may wish to purchase those items without leasing the office space.

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