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OFFICE SPACE—7400 WADSWORTH BLVD.

June 10, 2023 —Judges & Award Winners Reception. Twenty One Judicial Officers & Five Award Winners will be honored

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Job Openings—District Attorneys Office

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First JD Bar Association:

BIANNUAL LAW DAY EVENT

It's that time again for the biannual Law Day Event at Jefferson County Court on 5/3/23. **We are needing volunteers!**

It will be held in person in the main atrium of the courthouse from **9:00 am – 3:00 pm**. Typically, we will break it up into two-hour blocks (9:00 – 11:00, 11:00 – 1:00, or 1:00 – 3:00). This would consist of assisting folks in-person for up to 15 minutes each with various legal matters.

If you are interested and available, please just let the Jeffco Court Resource Center (720-772-2501) know which time slot would work best for you and they can add you to the roster!

A big thank you to all of you, in the many ways that you serve our community.

CBA Members

Please check your CBA Online listing to assure your contact and practice information is accurate. Go to cobar.org

OFFICE FOR LEASE

Office for lease at 7400 Wadsworth Blvd., #101. 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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JUDGES AND AWARDS RECEPTION

AT
COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES
Friedhoff Hall at the Green Center
JUNE 10, 2023
5:00 to 9:00

Enjoy appetizers along with an open bar with fine wines, beer and soft drinks

Cost \$75 per person-Invitations coming out soon

HONORING AWARD WINNERS:

Award of Merit

STEPHEN COOK

Frederick J. Myers Professionalism Award

MELISSA GARSCIN

Linda T. Palmieri Award For Outstanding Service to Children

DEBBIE GABRIEL

Claudia D. Miller Liberty Bell Award

MICHAEL COUGHLIN

Lisa Harness Memorial Award

ROSETTA CEJA

INCOMING JUDICIAL HONOREES

District Court Judge Jason Carrithers

District Court Judge Russell Klein

District Court Meegan Miloud

District Court Lindsay VanGilder

County Court Judge Sara Garrido

County Court Judge Keith Goman

County Court Judge Graham Peper

County Court Judge Kristan Wheeler

Magistrate Bryce Allen

Magistrate Abbey DeBoyes

Magistrate Courtney Denson

Magistrate Blair McCarthy

OUTGOING JUDICIAL HONOREES

District Court Judge Chris Bachmeyer

District Court Judge Margie Enquist

District Court Judge Laura Tighe

County Court Judge K. J. Moore

County Court Judge Harold Sargent

County Court Judge Thomas Vance

County Court Judge Jean Woodford

Magistrate Kolony Fields

Municipal Judge Anne Stavig

Would you like to serve on the 1st JD Bar Association Board of Directors

We are looking for interested people to get more involved in the organization! 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.

The nominating committee meets in April to consider appointments. If you are interested in a position, please send a **letter outlining your interest along with a resume** to: admin@1stjd.org Please consider that serving on the board involves a small but very important time commitment which includes a monthly virtual or in-person board meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 6:30. A regular term on the board is two years. **Deadline April 1, 2023**

CASA CHAMPIONS FOR CHILDREN BREAKFAST

In support of Child Abuse Prevention Month, CASA of Jefferson and Gilpin Counties is hosting its annual **Champions for Children Breakfast** on **Thursday April 20th** at the Denver West Marriott at 7:30am. This breakfast is an opportunity for members of our community to learn more about CASA's important work of advocating for children who have experienced abuse and neglect in our community. Learn more about the event and RSVP at: <https://www.casajeffcogilpin.com/championsbreakfast/>

SAVE THE DATE
9/21/2023



**JOIN US FOR ANOTHER GREAT
DAY OF GOLFING AT HIWAN**

JOB OPENINGS



DISTRICT ATTORNEY
GILPIN & JEFFERSON COUNTIES

County Court DDA Position Open Closes May 28

https://jefferson.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/External/job/Golden/County-Court-DDA_R-5276
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METRO VOLUNTEER
LAWYERS

A Denver Bar Association program in collaboration with Adams/Broomfield, Arapahoe, Douglas/Elbert, and First Judicial District Bar Associations

Do you have a few hours of time to assist an individual or family in need of legal assistance? Volunteer with MVL to help bridge the gap in access to justice to those who could not otherwise afford legal services for their civil legal issues.

Family Law Court Program

Assist pro se parties with uncomplicated divorce or parental responsibilities cases. No experience necessary. Contact **Karen Meade** to volunteer.

Tuesday, April 4

1:00–4:00 PM (Client Meetings) | Denver City & County Building

Friday, April 14

1:00–4:00 PM (Client Meetings) | Jefferson County

Thursday, April 20

8:30 AM–Noon (Permanent Orders) | Adams County Courthouse

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Family Law Court Program Continued

Assist pro se parties with uncomplicated divorce or parental responsibilities cases. No experience necessary. Contact [Karen Meade](#) to volunteer.

Friday, April 21

9:00 AM–Noon (Client Meetings) | Douglas County Courthouse

Tuesday, April 25

8:30 AM–Noon (Permanent Orders) | Denver City & County Building

Friday, April 28

8:30 AM–Noon (Permanent Orders) | Arapahoe County Justice Center

Friday, April 28

1:00–4:00 PM (Client Meetings) | Arapahoe County Justice Center

Family Law Advice & Guidance

Family law practitioners needed to provide a single consultation to pro se parties with pre- or post- decree divorce or parental responsibilities cases by focusing on early resolution and problem-solving. Only a 1-hour commitment. Contact [Anthony Pereira](#) to volunteer.

Tuesday, April 4

9:00 AM–12:30 PM | Denver City & County Building

Thursday, April 6

1:00–4:00 PM | Arapahoe County Justice Center — Staffed by Volunteers from the Department of Law

Friday, April 7

9:00 AM–Noon | Adams County Courthouse

Monday, April 10

9:00 AM–1:00 PM | Virtual

Wednesday, April 19

9:00 AM–1:00 PM | Virtual - Staffed by Modern Family Law and Additional Attorneys

Friday, April 21

9:00 AM–1:00 PM | Douglas County Courthouse

Friday, April 28

9:00 AM–1:00 PM | Jefferson County Courthouse — Staffed by Volunteers from Radeff & Hart, P.C. and Additional Attorneys

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Power of Attorney Program

Assist seniors in completing various advance planning documents, including medical and financial powers of attorney and advance health care directives at low-income senior centers in the Denver Metro Area. No experience necessary. Contact [Anne Zogg](#) to volunteer.

Tuesday, April 4

1:00–4:00 PM | Residences at Creekside, Lakewood

Thursday, April 6

1:30–4:30 PM | Denver Indian Center, Denver — Staffed by Volunteers from Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

Friday, April 21

9:00 AM–Noon | Meadows at Montbello, Denver — Staffed by Volunteers from Arnold & Porter

Thursday, April 27

9:00 AM–Noon | Alyson Court, Littleton

Legal Clinic at the Denver Indian Center

Provide legal resources and information to the local Native American community at MVL's monthly walk-in clinic. Contact [Ivonne Esparza](#) to volunteer.

Wednesday, April 5

6:00–8:00 PM | Denver Indian Center

Referral Program

Provide full pro bono representation for a variety of civil legal matters, including family law, probate, consumer/financial, and public benefits. Contact [Ivonne Esparza](#) to volunteer.

Mediation Program

Provide pro-bono mediation to applicants in one of MVL's other programs. Contact [Liz Jones](#) to volunteer.

If you know someone who needs legal assistance through MVL's programs, please contact Colorado Legal Services at 303-837-1313 or [online](#). The Legal Clinic at the Denver Indian Center is our only walk-in clinic.