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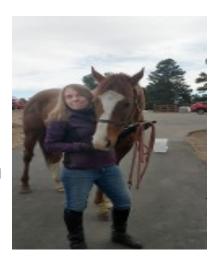
Writers wanted and Give us your input

#### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT CHERYL REDMOND DOYLE

I have always loved law. However, I have not been fond of the business of law. I got a late start in my life of law; and, after developing a family law practice, lost my husband, a Jefferson County Sergeant, to cancer when my three children were young. Losing benefits and needing health insurance for my then 8 year old newly diagnosed Type 1 diabetic, I was told I had too much on my plate to be hirable at any firm. I continued on as a sole practitioner, while working part time for health and flight benefits with an airline. So, instead of going to the neighborhood pool in the summer, we would fly to SoCal for a day at the beach or to Seattle to go whale watching or whatever we decided. The journey went on. Life as an attorney continued until a significant hearing loss made court appearances challenging. again, my future met up with me. For those who know the Nebraska Runza restaurants, it was my grandmother who started the chain and of which I worked during hot, humid summers car hopping at the ripe age of 12. I returned to my roots in the food business by purchasing an underperforming bagel store. The little "hole in the wall" can now run lines to the back of the store for hours. Failing at my attempt to open a second location just prior to COVID restrictions, I turned my investments to my other interests - horses.

During high school, I had a quarter horse which I barrel raced. I also slept on benches at my uncle's Runza restaurant, got up early, went to the track in Omaha (Ak Sar Ben) to work with the horses and went to class (high school). I would return to work at the track if a horse I was assigned was in a race or I worked the

Me & my off track thoroughbred - Valentine Boy



Trackside in Louisville





This Irish Dance School is one of the many groups that receive support from Cheryl

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night shift at the restaurant where I would do my homework. So, coming full circle, I bought a horse farm in Kentucky after being partners of several West Coast thoroughbreds, with one running in the Breeders' Cup a couple of times, and one with a partnership with an Avalanche player. HOF jockey Mike Smith rode my first horse for a win (and he was nice enough to give me his goggles after the race) and I felt like I was back in the saddle. HOF jockey Gary Stevens calls me "old school" and I guess that I am in many ways - especially as the daughter of a B-52 Vietnam era bomb navigator and the mother of a USAF pilot. I accept challenges, find no issues that cannot be resolved with some common sense and hard work. I have high expectations not only of myself, but of others. One of blessings I have received from my life's journey is that I am able to be of assistance to some, in various ways outside of law, including mentoring my young people who work for me - many who have dreams but just don't know how to get the pieces to fall into place. My shop has been used for budding filmmakers, I get my hair done by a former employee who I helped through cosmetology school. I have an employee who was sent to the US alone at age 8 from Afghanistan. I support many youth programs including sponsoring a young professional boxer from Denver who was in a fight televised on ESPN since relocated to a Las Vegas boxing club to continue training with the best as he was able to see his potential after being discouraged. Others are also seeing his potential.

A decade ago, while my own teens were moving through high school and college, I advised them that the bar was being lowered as a form of accommodation. I further advised that all they had to do was give just a little more effort and they would reach wherever they wanted. My youngest can be heard on Alice 105.9 with radio personalities Slacker and Steve. She is the station's youngest music director and radio personality. She travels to meet and interview up and coming music talents. My son, after leading engineering projects in Denver and Boulder, moved to a career as a pilot in the USAF and is stationed in Kuwait. My oldest, after surviving cancer in her 20's became one of top five mortgage bankers in Colorado with her mortgage banking group. Unfortunately, her cancer has aggressively returned during her pregnancy and we all will again be supporting her and her family during this challenge. No, life has not been easy nor have I witnessed it being easy for many of my clients going through life's challenges in divorce proceeding and life thereafter. However, one thing is for certain, the future always finds us. Make the most of life.

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2023 1st JD Bar Association Grants The Board of Trustees have voted to donate the following grants.

Arvada Municipal Court 750.00
CASA 1,000.00
JAMLAC 3,000.00
Ralston House 4,750.00
Senior Law Day 500.00

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Steve Cook

## 2023 Judges and Awards Reception

Thank you to all who attended the reception at the Colorado School of Mines. We had 115 people attend to celebrate 23 Incoming and Outgoing Judges and Magistrates along with the distinguished Award Winners.

We were not able to capture all the award winners but did capture the Award of Merit Award, **Steve Cook**, and **Melissa Garscin**, the Frederick J. Myers Professionalism Award Winner.

Thank you to Committee Chair Kim Sparks who managed to present a great event despite the challenges of this new environment.

Watch the Proclamation for news about the 2024 event. We are hoping to return to one of our previous County Club venues to celebrate.



Melissa
Garscin
& Emcee
Chris
Radeff

#### 2023 Chief Judge Orders and Directives

Order Number	Order Title
CJO 2023-01	Delegation of Administrative Authority
CJO 2023-02	In the Matter of VALE Board Appointment

### CBA AND LOCAL BAR MEMBERSHIP DUES

The CBA has begun sending membership dues renewals and email invoices for the 2023-2024 period. Watch for your reminder and renew your dues. We look forward to working with you this year.

## THE PROCLAMATION WILL NOT PUBLISH IN JULY. THE NEXT ISSUE IS AUGUST 2023

If you are interested in writing an article for the newsletter, send your article to <a href="mailto:admin@1stjd.org">admin@1stjd.org</a>. Length should be less than 300 words. Tell us about a local event, an organization that you find deserving or a hobby you recommend. We want to hear about what interests you.

We are looking for members to do Member Spotlights each month. If you are interested, let us know at <a href="mailto:admin@1stjd.org">admin@1stjd.org</a>. Length should be approximately 300 words.

All contributions are subject to review.

And finally, what do you want from the Bar Association?

More free events
More social events
CLE'S
We want to know......