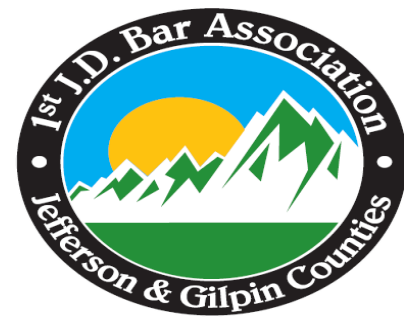


PROCLAMATION

First Judicial District Bar Association



MISSION STATEMENT

The purposes of the Association shall be to enhance the practice of law within Gilpin and Jefferson County, to promote professionalism and the administration of justice, to encourage legal education, to uphold the honor and dignity of the bar, to cultivate cordial relations among the legal community of Gilpin and Jefferson County, to perpetuate the history of the profession and the memory of its members, to facilitate and improve the provision of legal services to the community, and to administer the budget for professional, social and community-oriented purposes.

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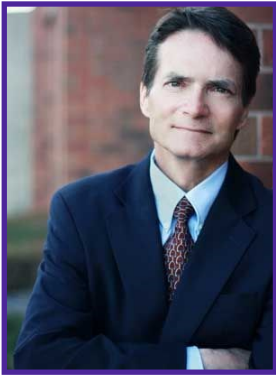
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PRESIDENTS COLUMN

ALAN HENDRIX

Hello from #10524. I have splashed that number around some courthouses, but not enough to satisfy me or my wife and her travel budget. I am not afraid to share it with you. I like to use things up. So I'm going to use that number for a while yet. Reminds me of college. My undergraduate number was N0528. I thought that was kind of a low number. Then realized it was N-zero-528. You are not getting my Social Security or date of birth, so I feel relatively secure.

People say to me with that relatively low number what are you trying to do? Are you trying to polish up your résumé for application to JAG/JAMS or to the bench? Not likely.

So, then people say, why are you involved with the bar association, is it for your health. First, the acknowledgment is that "people" is just me talking to myself. But the answer is **yes, I am doing this for my health.** And you should too.

Truly, our mission statement, which you can find at the beginning by the masthead in every Proclamation, benefits not only the bar but each one of us that involves ourselves. The activities we involve ourselves in help us get outside of ourselves and warms our heart. Cato the Elder a Roman General, Senator, Historian said "the best way to keep good acts in memory is to refresh them with new.

Our bar association and the activities we put on and the relationships we foster is a way to fight against the decline of connections and the rise of isolation.

You know it is true-the rise in entertainment on *all our various screens*, to paraphrase an Internet provider commercial, has put us in bad posture. We are looking down instead of looking up. We are engaging with a screen instead of a person. It is leading to a decline in friendships, with more people working at home, online learning for school children, thereby limiting our social connections.

My favorite part of the activities our bar puts on, which includes the judges' banquet, the golf tournament, the continuing legal education and benefiting when the money is available, charities near and dear, is Law Day participation. This is where we have attorney volunteers come into the Jefferson County rotunda to meet with members of the public, usually the somewhat indigent.

I come away from those contacts feeling energized, engaged and feeling good about helping to the extent I can those that I met with. There the donor benefits as much or more than the donee.

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JOB POSTINGS

The U.S. District Court, District of Colorado, is accepting applications for a Term Law Clerk to an incoming U.S. Magistrate Judge. This position is expected to start in/around January 2025, but will be dependent upon the official appointment date of the judge. This term appointment will be for an initial term of one year and may be extended up to two years at the discretion of the judicial officer. All applications must be submitted via email to cod_hrd@cod.uscourts.gov for consideration.

As always, please contact our office with any questions!

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT—CHRIS RADEFF

Some of you may have seen me around
Whether it's in Court or about town
So when Vicki asked to spotlight me
"Only in rhyme," did I doth agree

A strange outlet that gives me relief
One day I'll rhyme an appellate brief
But today's task is just some background
To how I got here and stuck around

Grew up in Jeffco, schooled with knowledge
First in my family off to college
Found my passion in helping others
Family Law fit, I soon discovered

Never one to be idle for long
Looked for a place where I would belong
The 1st JD Bar was my first stop
Went to a meeting, hippity hop

I have served as President now twice
Wouldn't have changed that for any price
Possibly over-involved they say
I wouldn't have it another way

Golf, CLE, Awards Committees
At the banquets doing these ditties
Seriously, though, for you out there
Become involved, just pull up a chair

To get started if you are able
August 14th – Judge's Roundtable
We have a great bench, best in the state
Go sign up now, before it's too late



As I get older, yikes that can't be!
Family and friends I so like to see
Whether vacation or hanging out
Taking a break helps my brain, no doubt

A newer addition to my house
Helps me relax with not much to grouse
With Law & Order to inspire
Detective Lennie Briscoe, retired.



That's all I've got, I've run out of time
Hope you enjoyed this was done in rhyme

JEFFCO COURT NEWS

MAGISTRATE DIVISIONS NEW STRUCTURE

For several months we have been reevaluating the docket structure of the 1st JD magistrate divisions based on workload data, physical courtroom shortage (8 courtrooms for 12 magistrates), and other feedback from our magistrates and staff. Ultimately, it was determined that a modification of docket structure was necessary to address workload disparities and enhance service to our stakeholders and the public. The new magistrate docket structure includes significant changes but minimizes disruption to stakeholders. **Effective Monday, August 12th, the magistrate divisions will shift to the new structure as explained in the table on the following page.**

SEE DIVISION & COURTROOM ASSIGNMENT CHART NEXT PAGE

Ten of the magistrate divisions will each have a “duty” docket, one day every two weeks, which includes protection orders and juvenile detentions (which will continue to be heard each day at 1:15 p.m. on a dedicated Detention Hearing Webex to be provided soon).

Duty Calendar (TPOs & Detentions once every 10 days)

	Week A	Week B
Monday	De Boyes (Z)	Sweet (Y)
Tuesday	Alabiso (Q)	Campbell (O)
Wednesday	Schaefer (S)	McCarthy (U)
Thursday	Upton (P)	Allen (L)
Friday	Tims (R)	Kollar (V)

We have been working over the last few weeks to provide training and onboarding to the clerks and magistrates taking on new dockets and new responsibilities, including a specific training on juvenile detention hearings. We are open to suggestions as to other trainings stakeholders believe would be beneficial for clerks and/or judicial officers, so please reach out to 01Division10@judicial.state.co.us with any suggestions.

Thanks in advance for your patience as we work through this transition.

JEFFCO COURT NEWS

Division & Courtroom Assignments

Division	Magistrate / Clerk or Specialist	Courtroom	DR?	Caseload
L	Bryce Allen / Dylan Jennewein	240		Probate, MH
O	Nic Campbell / Ema Bojkovich	200	DR	JD, expungement & deregistration, DR [Div. O assumes Div. R's current JD Docket]
P	Liz Upton / Rosa Ceja	FLOAT M – 260 (R) T – 240 (L) W – 210 (Y) Th (Week A) – 230 (Q) Th (Week B) – 200 (O) F – no court	DR	All DR, Gilpin 1x/month
Q	Jamin Alabiso / Erin Mayfield	230	DR	JD, expungement & deregistration, DR [Div. Q assumes Div. U's current JD Docket]
R	Marianne Tims / Randa Richards	260	DR	D&N, TPCs T/Th (every other), Relinquishments, Crossover Youth (simul JD/D&N cases), DR
S	Joel Schaefer / Denise Lawler	100		Specialty Courts
T	Adam Kendall / <i>New Hire</i>	100		Traffic, Small Claims, TPOs/PPOs
U	Blair McCarthy / Kati Altschwager (and FIT Court coordinator Desiree Rodrigues and clerk Randa Richards)	250	DR	FIT Court (Th docket), Adoptions, DR, Case Management Conferences for D&Ns
V	Carrie Kollar / Rachel Adams	220	DR	D&N, TPCs T/Th (every other), DR [Div. V assumes Div. U's current D&N Docket]
Y	Cara Sweet / Toni O'Brien	210	DR	Child support docket (Fri AM), Truancy (Th PM), Paternity, DR
Z	Abbey DeBoyes / Naudia Gaddis	FLOAT M – 250 (U) T (Week A) – 200 (O) T (Week B) – 230 (Q) F – VIRTUAL or 280	DR	County Court e-warrants (Th), MH (Fri), DR
48	Katie Allison	VIRTUAL		48-hour bond hearings, other cases as available
10	Lindsay VanGilder / Jessica Kauffman	280		D&N, JD, Relinquishments, Adoptions, Minor Name Changes, Magistrate Reviews, etc. (JV, JD, JR, JA case numbers) Gilpin CR and DR

INTRODUCING A FEW NEW BOARD MEMBERS



ALAN HENDRIX, PRESIDENT

Solo practitioner in Genesee office sharing, who woke up one day with his wife and hit themselves on the head to say we forgot to have kids. Consequently have a daughter going into senior year in Bozeman at Montana State and a son going into his sophomore year in Boulder. Claims he loves dogs, but then realized he's never owned one that had a tail, so some cruelty there. Corgis mostly and now an Aussie.

Bad knees, so no running except occasionally to and from court, but can still mountain bike, snow ski and waterski and sit around a campfire. Went from first to worst in my household.



JOSEPH MAHER, PRESIDENT ELECT

I am a family law practitioner with Griffiths Law PC. Working to live, I, like most, enjoy skiing, getting outside/being active, and spending time with my wife and children (elementary school age). I am slowly trying to better my cooking skills one meal at a time – hoping one day my children will eat my cooking.



MAGISTRATE NIC CAMPBELL, SECRETARY TREASURER

Nic Campbell is a District Court Magistrate for the First JD. Prior to that he was a long-time public defender and staff attorney for the Colorado Education Association. Outside of work Nic and his wife Kelly love caring for and keeping up with their two dogs. They volunteer for an Australian Cattle Dog Rescue and have fostered dogs trying to find a home.



COURTNEY BALDWIN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Family law attorney and energetic adventurer who has met her match in her son, who has the liveliness of the Energizer bunny. Loves animals and always tempted to acquire more pets. Currently planning a trip to Disney and looking forward to fall and colder weather.

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JUDGE RUSSELL KLEIN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

I am a district court judge in the First Judicial District, Division 8 with a mixed docket. When not working, I enjoy spending time with family and our dog Rhea, running (usually with Rhea), biking, scuba, mediocre skier, traveling to new places, trying new things (more Amazing Race, less American Ninja Warrior), and cooking and baK-ing. Sci Fi fan (Star Wars, Star Trek, Dune, etc.). Impeccable taste in music. Expert assembler of Star Wars Lego kits. Amateur birder (246 on my life list as of June 2024). Proud geek.



MARIO NICOLAIS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mario is an attorney, columnist, and soccer nut. A three time CU Buff (undergrad, law degree, and MBA), he is best known for his work in government affairs and election law. He has worked with candidates and political committees at all levels. Most recently he was a part of the litigation team that challenged former President Trump's access to the Colorado ballot and he currently serves as general counsel to The Lincoln Project. When not working, he is an avid board gamer, hiker, and soccer fanatic.



REBECCA TAYLOR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rebecca is a Senior Assistant County Attorney for Arapahoe County where she primarily defends Section 1983 constitutional claims in federal court. Although she works in Arapahoe County, her home is in the 1st JD. She began her career clerking in the 1st JD and lives in Indian Hills with her husband, three dogs, and toddler son. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Mountain Resource Center, a rural nonprofit providing essential services to help families achieve self-sufficiency in Jefferson and Park Counties.



JUDGE LINDSAY VANGILDER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Lindsay lives here in Jeffco with her three kids and husband, and they enjoy hiking, skiing, paddleboarding, and traveling. They are working on visiting all of the National Parks as a family (the photo is in Kenai Fjords National Park in Seward, Alaska this summer). She grew up in Minnesota, went to the University of Denver for undergrad, and studied abroad in Valparaiso, Chile. She attended the University of Colorado for law school, and she worked as a Deputy District Attorney in Denver for 10 years before joining the District Court bench in 2020. She currently presides over a juvenile docket in Division 10 and Gilpin's criminal and domestic cases.

INTRODUCING A FEW NEW BOARD MEMBERS



JUDGE KEITH GOMAN, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Keith has been a judge on the Jefferson County Court since November 2022. Before that he was a civil litigator representing train companies, and long before that he was a deputy DA. He and his wife (pictured, no mustache) have three kids (ages 6-15) who are coming up on marching band, volleyball, and basketball season. He also has two dogs, one of whom is well-behaved and friendly. When he's not watching his kids do stuff, he enjoys pick-up basketball, bike riding, and the podcast [This American Life](#).



JUDGE ANDREW POLAND, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

I was born and raised in Jefferson County and am a proud Green Mountain HS grad. I was appointed as a District Court Judge in May of 2024 in the 1st JD. Prior to that I served as a magistrate and prior to my appointment as a magistrate I was in private practice and focused my practice on juvenile defense and child welfare litigation. I have been married to my beautiful wife for 12 years and we have two amazing kids, Grayson (7) and Blake (3). Grayson plays every sport imaginable, and Blake loves dancing to Taylor Swift and following her brother.

When not working or chasing kids around I run the beautiful trails surrounding Jefferson County. I just completed my 11th 100-mile race and am signed up for a 120-mile mountain bike race in September.



JUDGE TAMARA RUSSELL, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

I've been honored to serve as a District Court Judge in Jefferson County for 19 years. Unfortunately, I can't retire yet because I don't know what I want to be when I grow up.

1ST JD Bar Association Golf Tournament FOR THE BENEFIT OF CASA

Thursday, September 26, 2024

Hiwan Golf Club

30671 Clubhouse Lane, Evergreen, CO 80439

11:30 Check-In & 12:30 Lunch and Shotgun Start

Cost: \$175

Includes lunch, beer and golf cart

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: Email Andrew McLetchie a_mcletchie@fsf-law.com

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.

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

Questions-contact Chris Radeff at 303-985-8787 or radeff@rhfamlaw.com Should the entire tournament be canceled due to weather all sponsors will have the option of obtaining a full refund or donating all or a part of their sponsorship to CASA.

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

REGISTER HERE :

<https://1stjd.org/events/#!event/register/2024/9/26/golf-at-hiwan-information-to-follow>



DON'T MISS THIS GREAT EVENT
JUDGES ROUND TABLE CLE LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024

Jefferson County Courthouse

Jury Commissioners Room
12:00-1:15

Register here:

<https://1stjd.org/events/#!event/2024/8/14/judges-roundtable-cle-luncheon-jefferson-county-courthouse-jury-room>



JUDGES AND AWARDS RECEPTION

at

RED ROCKS COUNTRY CLUB

October 26, 2024

4:00 pm

Enjoy an expansive array of appetizers along
with a cash bar

Cost \$55

Reservations for the Reception:

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FIRST JD BAR ASSOCIATION
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Thursday, November 21, 2024
12:00 pm—1:00pm

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We are now accepting applications for the COBALT Class of 2025!

Colorado Bar Association Leadership Training (COBALT) is an interactive leadership training program designed specifically for lawyers and judges to grow their leadership skills and commitment to the legal community. The sessions are created to teach hard skills, address challenges faced by leaders, facilitate teamwork, and bond classmates. The 2025 class will include up to 20 CBA lawyer members of varying ages, experience levels, and from different parts of the State.

Program Dates: January 24, February 14-15, March 28, April 25, May 20, June 27

Active participation and attendance is vital to the success of this program. All class members are required to attend all sessions.

Application Deadline: Applications are due on September 3, 2024. Due to the number of applications, the deadline is strictly adhered to and no late submissions will be accepted. We no longer accept nominations. Anyone who is interested in participating in COBALT is welcome to apply.

Email cobalt@coabar.org with questions about the program or application.