

PROCLAMATION First Judicial District Bar Association

OCTOBER
2025



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 communities of the 1st JD, 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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Magistrate Rule Changes: Practical Impacts In
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Mock Trial Friday, February 20, 2026
& Friday, February 27, 2026

Looking for volunteers –Fall Swearing-In 10/27

Looking for Web Developers

Golf Proceeds to CASA

Membership Dues Reminder-DROPS

Pictures from Judges & Awards Reception

Job Posting Pickard Law

Pro Bono Results

**2025 Judicial Well-Being District Award to
1st Judicial District Court**



PRESIDENTS COLUMN

JOSEPH MAHER

Why didn't the skeleton go to the bar event? He had no body to go with. Well, that is not the issue for anyone in the 1st JD. Everyone is welcome, and we would encourage you to join us. We recently had a great golf tournament and Judges and Awards Reception. Thank you to those who planned the event, took part, and supported it in any way.

To make events more accessible and bring them to your backyard, we will be hosting social gatherings throughout the 1st Judicial District in the new year. The first stop will be in Golden, followed by Lakewood and Arvada.

So, please join us at New Terrain Brewery on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Many members of the board will be present and look forward to seeing you there.

To brew some excitement, we will be supporting a local cause at the January gathering. We want to highlight an organization near and dear to our members, so if you have any recommendations, please don't hesitate to reach out. Please be on the lookout for more information as January 20th approaches.

We hope that you will join us at all or one of the social gatherings (especially if it is in your neck of the woods) and will bring other members of your office or other colleagues.

In the meantime, we look forward to welcoming new members to the organization at the swearing-in ceremony on October 27, 2025.

Happy Halloween!

Joe



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1ST JD BAR ASSOCIATION CLE

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GAL'S IN DOMESTIC CASES INCLUDING PENDING NEW RULES

Presented by Chris Radeff & Andrew Hart

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

**Jefferson County Courthouse
Faye Griffith Meeting Room
12:00-1:00 pm**

1st JD Bar Association members
In Person/Virtual **FREE**
Non 1st JD Bar Association members In Person/Virtual \$10
Bring your lunch and enjoy the program

Register here

<https://1stjd.org/events/#!event/2025/10/29/cle-everything-you-need-to-know-about-gal-8217-s-in-domestic-cases-including-pending-new-rules-presented-by-chris-radeff-andy-hart>

1ST JD BAR ASSOCIATION CLE

MAGISTRATE RULE CHANGES: PRACTICAL IMPACTS IN THE 1ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT AND APPELLATE CONSIDERATIONS

**Presented by
Judge Chris Zenisek
Magistrate Marianne Tims
Ryan Hutton
Sharlene J.Aitlen, Esq.**

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

**Jefferson County Courthouse
Faye Griffith Meeting Room
12:00-1:00 pm**

1st JD Bar Association members In Person/Virtual **FREE**
Non 1st JD Bar Association members In Person/Virtual \$10

Register here

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BAR NEWS

MOCK TRIAL

Mock trial will be held on **Friday 2/20/26** and **Friday 2/27/26**. Two rounds each day. Rounds start at 9am and 1pm.

- Check in is in Courtroom 130 at 8:30am and 12:30 respectively. It is important to check in Courtroom 130 thirty minutes before the rounds start. Volunteers will receive materials and courtroom assignments at check-in.

Refreshments and lunch provided. Please indicate which round(s) you will volunteer for and whether you want to be a presiding judge or a scoring panelist

Please reply to 1stJDMockTrialVolunteers@judicial.state.co.us

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help us spotlight the 1st JD Bar Association at the **Swearing In Ceremony on October 27 at 3:30 at Boetcher Concert Hall**. The 1st JD Bar will have a table at the ceremony to spread the word about the benefits of 1st JD membership. If you are interested, let us know at admin@1stjd.org

1ST JD BAR ASSOCIATION GOLF EVENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF CASA

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Thank you all. See you next year

Looking for a Web Developer who would be interested in some development work in exchange for free advertising in the Proclamation.

If you are interested and would like to discuss the development, email to admin@1stjd.org.

REMINDER– This is the Membership Dues renewal period. If you have not paid your membership dues you should have received a statement indicating that you have been dropped from the CBA and its benefits along with your local bar membership, 1st JD Bar Association. *We hope you find value in your membership and will arrange to renew your membership dues.* **As always, If you have any questions about your membership options at 1st JD, contact us at admin@1stjd.org.**

Renew your dues with the CBA by applying online at cobar.org/membership_applications, or contact the CBA membership team at membership@cobar.org or 303-860-1115.

2025 Judges & Awards Reception

Congratulations to all the award winners and recognized bench members. It was a great event. Thank you Reception Chair Chris Radeff and Committee, Becky Clark, Travis Whitson and their assistant Ronnie Victorino and most of all, thank you to those who attended.



Joe Maher, President
1st JD Bar Assn.



Joe Lusk Award of Merit Recipient



Judge Tim Lane and Gigetta Nadeau
Lisa Harness Memorial Award Recipient



Courtney Baldwin George Holley
Outstanding Young Lawyer Award Recipient



Chelsea Sittner, Claudia D. Miller
Liberty Bell Award Recipient



Alan Hendrix Current Past President 1st
JD Bar Assn. and Board of Governors
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JOB POSTINGS

Attorney Position at Pickard Law

Pickard Law is seeking a dedicated and motivated Attorney to join our growing firm. This is an excellent opportunity for an attorney with a passion for client service and a desire to build a thriving legal career within a supportive community environment. We are looking for a professional who is committed to providing exceptional representation and upholding the firm's reputation for excellence.

Responsibilities:

- Represent clients in various legal matters from inception to resolution in the areas of domestic, partition, and general civil litigation.
- Communicate effectively with clients, opposing counsel, and court personnel.
- Manage a caseload efficiently and meet deadlines.
- Act as a positive and professional representative of Pickard Law in the community.

Qualifications:

- Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree from an accredited law school.
- Active and in good standing with the Colorado Bar.
- **A minimum of one year of experience as a practicing attorney.**
- Strong legal research, writing, and analytical skills.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- A strong work ethic and a desire for professional growth.

Compensation & Benefits:

- **Salary Range:** The base salary for this position is **\$84,000 annually**, with the potential for additional compensation through performance-based bonuses.
- **Bonuses:** Bonuses are designed to reward hard work and are directly tied to your contributions and the firm's success.
- **Growth and Flexibility:** The compensation and position are structured to provide significant flexibility and opportunity for an attorney who is motivated to grow their practice and build a strong professional reputation.
- **Benefits:** Additional compensation will include eligibility for the firm's health insurance plan (your portion paid 100% by Pickard Law), CLE (Continuing Legal Education) reimbursement, Short term and long term disability, life insurance, etc.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should submit a resume, and cover letter on a **physically signed letter** to our office manager, Isobel Tutchton at Isobel@lawpickard.com. This firm is a great place to grow your practice, learn new skills, and significantly advance your practice while still receiving a high level of compensation through the incentive bonus structure. We would love to have a new addition that really wants to learn and grow professionally, and we equally have a desire to help you do that.

JEFFCO COURT NEWS

PRO BONO DAY November 22, 2025

Thank you to everyone for helping put together another successful Pro Bono Day event yesterday! We had another great turnout with approximately **363** people coming through. That is a lot of help for a LOT of folks in just 6 short hours, so **THANK YOU ALL** for your hard work and dedication to access to justice and to serving those in need. I'm always thrilled to see this tremendous resource being utilized by so many.

Andrew Schultz
Self-Represented Litigant Coordinator –
1st Judicial District

WE SERVED THE FOLLOWING:

Family Law: 43

Traffic/Criminal: 18

Probate: 21

Civil: 57

Fatherhood: 13

Jeffco Library: 50

Casa: 34

Family Tree/Porchlight: 38

Child Support: 7

Ask-a-Deputy: 19

Metro Volunteer Lawyers: 47

CRC: 16

1st JD has been selected as the winner of the 2025 Judicial Well-Being District Award.

The district was selected for its Workplace Culture Initiative and updated policies that support Judicial and employee well-being.

