

Fly By Messenger

October Edition 2019

Tidbits that need to be shared before the next Messenger goes out. Deadlines to get an ad or notice in the next edition would be November 22 (odd numbered months). Cost for the ads or notices is \$25 and payable in advance. If you would like to place an ad or notice, please email me cvlasak@larimer.org with the information and mail your check to Cathy Vlasak, 415 South Howes 609N, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521. Make checks payable to Larimer County Bar Association.

NEWS FROM THE JUSTICE CENTER

Probation Offices have moved from the Justice Center to their new location at 1600 Prospect Park Way, Suite 109, Fort Collins, Colorado effective September 19, 2019.

Judicial Administration has moved to the 1st Floor of the Justice Center directly across from the Clerk of Court Office effective September 23, 2019.

Jury Assembly will be moving to the Judicial Administration Office on October 1, 2019.

Construction at the Larimer County Justice Center to construct a new courtroom is scheduled to begin on October 7, 2019. The construction will be on both 1st and 2nd floors. Security checkpoint will also be remodeled during this project. Construction is scheduled to be completed by mid-February, 2020.

Other news:

The 8th Judicial District Nominating Commission will meet on November 5, 2019 to interview candidates for the new District Court Judge position effective January 1, 2020. More information is available at: https://www.courts.state.co.us/Careers/Judge_Opportunities/Announcements/JD08%20-%20new%20judgeship%20FINAL1.pdf

The deadline for application is 4:00 p.m. October 17, 2019.



*Friends, family, and colleagues
are cordially invited to join*

Honorable Dina M. Christiansen

*to celebrate her appointment
as Magistrate*

When: October 4, 2019

Time: 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

*Where: Larimer County Justice Center,
Courtroom 3A*

*Refreshments in Jury Assembly Room
201 LaPorte Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado*

ACCESS TO JUSTICE COMMITTEE OF THE LCBA ASK-A-LAWYER DAY

Our yearly Ask-a-Lawyer Day is scheduled for October 25, 2019 from 9:00-4:00 and we need attorney volunteers. As always breakfast and lunch will be provided and we will be able to reimburse the volunteers for parking. **You can sign up on the link below.**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c4bafab29a0fc1-family2>

Thank you so much!

Ian Bonner
Self-Represented Litigant Coordinator
8th Judicial District



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SAVE THE DATE - LCBA BROWN BAG CLE

LCBA Brown Bag CLE on Friday, January 17, 2020.

Watch for emails.

MOCK TRIAL SAVE THE DATE

The competition will be on February 21, 2020 through February 22, 2020 and will be in Greeley again because the Larimer County Justice Center will be under construction.

Watch for emails.

LARIMER COUNTY WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION

The Larimer County Women's Bar Association (LCWBA) held a Summer Social on September 13, 2019. It was terrific to mingle with women attorneys from across the Bar. If you were unable to attend the Summer Social, we hope to see you at one of the upcoming events.

The Colorado Women's Bar Association (CWBA) will be live streaming their annual Legislator Appreciation Breakfast on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. LCWBA will be hosting a breakfast in the Jewell Lake Room (room 495) at the Larimer County Courthouse, 200 West Oak Street, Fort Collins. The program will run from approximately 7:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Please RSVP to Callan Riedel at criedel@ftccolaw.com so we can plan appropriately for food.

Mark your calendar for these future events:

- November – live stream of CWBA Legislative Breakfast
- December 13 – holiday luncheon
- January, 2020 – CLE on human trafficking (will be a brown bag lunch)
- February 13 – Galentine social
- April, 2020 – Ethics CLE and annual elections

If you haven't renewed your membership, please go to cwba.org to join both the state and Larimer County Women's Bar Association. If you prefer to be a member of just the LCWBA, please contact us for instructions.

We look forward to making connections across the Bar.

Heidi Whitaker
President

LARIMER COUNTY YOUNG LAWYER'S DIVISION (YLD)

October's professionalism month is just around the corner and the LCBA Young Lawyers are excited to announce networking events every Friday morning during the month of October! Please join us at 8:00am at the locations below for coffee, pastries, and an opportunity to meet other attorneys in the area. Mark your calendars and enjoy a morning away from your desk! Special thank you to the firms who volunteered to serve as hosts!

All attorneys are welcome (not just young lawyers)!

October 4 - Hadfield Stieben & Doutt, LLC, 215 W. Magnolia St. #201,
Fort Collins, CO 80521

October 11 - Wick & Trautwein, 323 S College Ave #3,
Fort Collins, CO 80524

October 18 - Gast, Johnson & Muffly, 323 S College Ave # 1,
Fort Collins, CO 80524

October 25 - The Cossitt Law Firm, 2038 Caribou Dr #100,
Fort Collins, CO 80525

CALL-A-LAWYER

Call-A-Lawyer is a quarterly pro bono opportunity. In 2019, Larimer YLD will host the next event on October 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars.

We are looking for lawyers to take calls—anonously—from folks calling in with legal questions. All types of lawyers are welcome and helpful, but we particularly need folks with domestic relations, criminal defense, and creditor-debtor experience. The event will be hosted at Gast Johnson & Muffly, PC's offices at 323 S. College Ave., Suite 1 in Fort Collins. Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

To RSVP or for more information, please contact Dan St. John at 970-482-4846 or dstjohn@gjmlawfirm.com

LCBA YLD, CBA AND CTLA NLD HAPPY HOUR

LCBA YLD, CBA YLD and CTLA NLD are teaming up for a happy hour at the Sunset Lounge (above the Elizabeth Hotel) for **October 10, 2019 at 6pm.**

Let's show our Denver (and Colorado at large) counterparts a good time.

All LCBA member attorneys and their guests are invited.

More details to follow.

**THE LCBA PROFESSIONALISM COMMITTEE AND
YOUNG LAWYER DIVISION INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE**

PROFESSIONALISM

AT THE SEVENTH ANNUAL LCBA PROFESSIONALISM SEMINAR!

Professionalism Issues from Differing Perspectives

Thursday, October 17, 2019

11:30 a.m.: Catered Lunch

12:00-2:00 p.m.: Professionalism Presentations

NOTE: HEARING LOCATION HAS CHANGED
LARIMER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM
LARIMER COUNTY COURTHOUSE BUILDING
200 W. Oak Street, First Floor!

Approved for TWO CLE/ETHICS CREDITS.

Early Registration Fees (All Registrations Received On or Before to
October 7, 2019):

Young Lawyers - \$20.00; General LCBA Members \$25.00

Late Registration Fee: All Registrations Received After October 7, 2019,
including at the door - \$30.00

The seminar will feature presentations on professionalism issues to improve your law practice and avoid any grievance complaint by the following presenters:

Hon. Elizabeth Strobel, District Judge (ret.), with a judge's perspective.

Jessica Yates, Attorney Regulation Counsel, how professionalism helps to avoid a grievance.

Erin Redmond Claeys, NoCo Mediation Center, Professionalism & Mediation: Avoiding Friendly Fire.

Mitch Murray, 1st Deputy District Attorney, Larimer County, professionalism from counsel – criminal cases

Hon. John A. Jostad, District Court Magistrate, 8th Judicial District, moderator.

Send your registration and checks made payable to LCBA YLD to:

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NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY

National Adoption Day is a collective effort to raise awareness of the more than 123,000 children waiting to be adopted from foster care in the United States. A coalition of national partners, including the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute, Alliance for Children's Rights, and Children's Action Network, founded National Adoption Day. On November 18, 2000, the coalition and the Freddie Mac Foundation encourage seven cities to open their court on or around the Saturday before Thanksgiving to finalize and celebrate adoptions from foster care. Today, policy makers, practitioners, and advocates collaborate to plan the annual one-day events in 400 cities across the United States. More than 700,000 children have joined their forever families as part of National Adoption Day events.

Larimer County will be celebrating National Adoption Day on Friday, November 22, 2019. The Bar and the Courts will have a celebration for the families in the Larimer County Justice Center with a caricaturist, balloons, and surprise guests. Adopted children will receive goodie bags and a teddy bear. This is an opportunity to celebrate one of the happiest events in the courts.

You have the opportunity to help make this celebration even better. If you would like to donate to help with costs of the teddy bears, food, and entertainment, please contact me at heidi@burnhamlaw.com. If you know a community organization or business who might donate for the goodie bags (for example, gift certificates for ice cream, mini golf, or other items) or celebration, please send me their information, or make the request (then send me information to follow up). The Courts keep a number of teddy bears on hand for adoptions throughout the year, so we will be ordering a number of bears.

We look forward to making this a great celebration for the families.

**Heidi Whitaker & Ryan Kamada
Co-Chairs**

OFFICE SUITES FOR LEASE

Market Centre Professional Office Park, Building D

We have 4 office suites available for rent within our 14-office suite building. Rent includes utilities, reception, janitorial, phone, high-speed internet and additional file storage area.

Central Fort Collins location near the intersection of Drake Rd and Shields St. Owner/tenant managed.

Professional office park features attractive landscaping and ample parking. Shared waiting area, full-size refrigerator, microwave.

High quality finishes in comfortable and well-maintained building.

Open office layout in each with abundant natural light.

Within proximity to restaurants, medical offices, coffee shop, gyms, other retail shops.

Current tenants are CAP's and financial advisors. Ideally, we are looking to add an estate planning attorney, as this would provide the attorney many direct leads from existing clients. Other professional offices including accounting, financial services, legal, engineering, insurance too.

Additional storage space available

Handicap accessible.

Suite 3

218 office square feet available September 1, 2019 - \$935/mo.

Suite 5

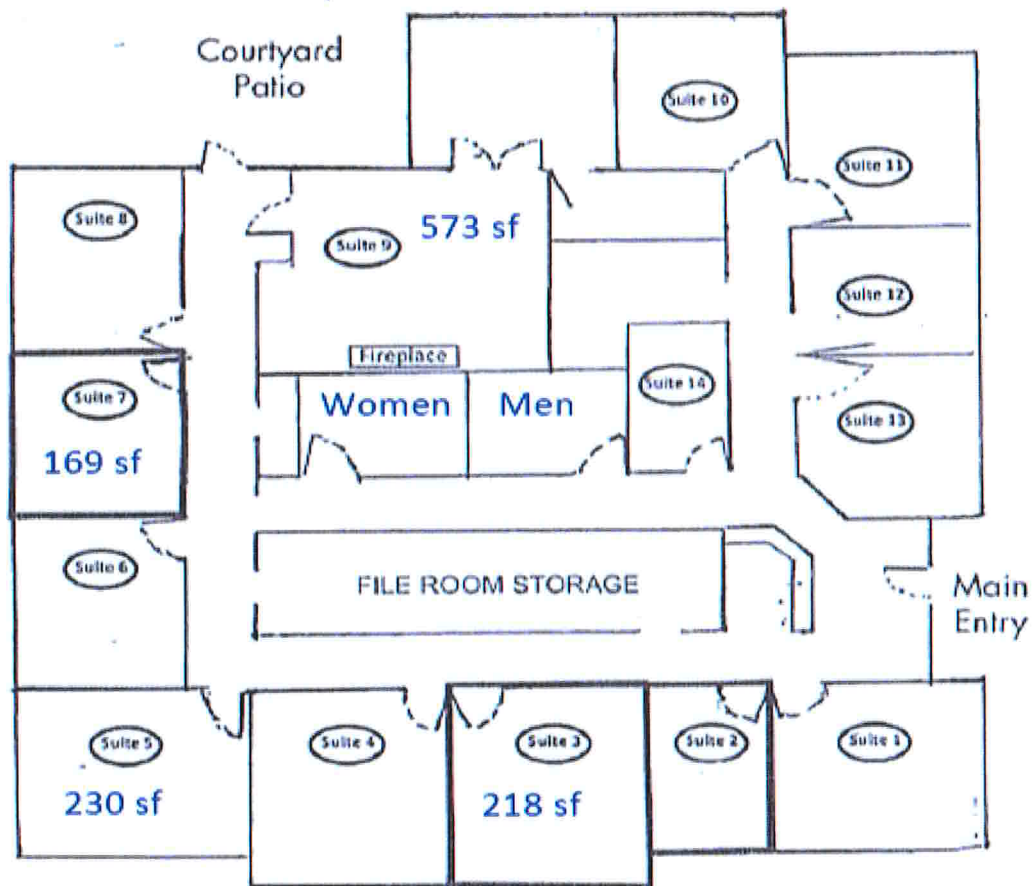
230 office square feet available November 1, 2019 - \$975/mo.

Suite 7

169 office square feet available November 1, 2019 - \$780/mo.

Suite 9

573 office square feet available November 1, 2019 - \$1,820/mo. Suite includes 2 offices with its own mini-kitchen area with a sink.



**BURNHAM LAW BRINGS ON COLORADO LOCAL,
FORMER JUDGE RYAN KAMADA
PREEMINENT FAMILY LAW FIRM DEEPENS BENCH
WITH KEY HIRE**

Boulder, CO (September 5, 2019)-Burnham Law announced today the hiring of former District Court Judge Ryan Kamada. Having served on the bench in the 19th Judicial District, Kamada brings a wealth of experience. During his appointment to the district court, Kamada handled a domestic relations and dependency-neglect docket. Prior to joining the bench, Kamada was in private practice for ten years. His practice included a variety of areas of litigation including dependency and neglect, family law, civil litigation, and criminal defense. Kamada is a local graduate of Valley High School in Gilcrest, Colorado School of Mines (B.S. Engineering-Mechanical), and the University of Denver Sturm School of Law (Juris Doctor).

Says Burnham Law Founding Partner Todd Burnham: "I worked with Ryan Kamada prior to his ascension to the bench. His work ethic and commitment to his craft have formed the basis for his lasting and well-earned reputation for excellence. Having him on board means our clients will now derive the benefit of an unparalleled breadth of talent: an in-house former judge, a handful of DA's, Child Family Investigators, and seasoned attorneys. This mix of talent epitomizes our firm's creed, Colorado Family Law: Elevated."

Says Ryan Kamada:"As a judge, I was able to observe a lot of practitioners from the bench. The best attorneys consistently stood out for knowing their cases cold, passionately advocating for their clients, and understanding all nuances of Colorado Family Law; this is why I have chosen to join Burnham Law."

At Burnham Law, Mr. Kamada plans to institute a mediation arbitration practice, PC/DM (Parenting Coordinator/Decision Making), and will travel between Burnham Law's six offices to provide a fresh alternative to existing mediation options. Additionally, he will reenter litigation, personally handling high asset/high conflict cases throughout the State of Colorado.

About Burnham Law: Burnham Law is a leading family law firm in Colorado with offices in Boulder, Denver (Cherry Creek and Greenwood Village), Colorado Springs and Fort Collins, and the distinguished law practice has received numerous industry accolades over the years. To learn more, visit www.burnhamlaw.com.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please take note that effective September 9, 2019, Burnham Law Offices in Fort Collins will be located at 2900 S. College Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525. All other contact information remains the same.

Welcoming Suzanne Ewy

Attorney & Counselor at Law | Family Law and Appeals

The Cossitt Law Firm is pleased to announce the addition of Suzanne Ewy to our team! She will be practicing in the area of family law and appeals.

A member of the bar since 1994, Suzanne spent seventeen years as a practicing attorney in Colorado and Alaska, focusing in family and environmental law. She has run community organizations in Gunnison, Salida and the San Luis Valley.

Suzanne loved being a professor at Western Colorado University's Masters in Environmental Management program, specializing in strategy, systems, collaboration, team building and project development.

When not practicing law, Suzanne volunteers in the community, spends time with her family and friends, and ventures into the wild.

Contact Suzanne at: Suzanne@CossittFamilyLaw.com



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MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND UPDATES

There is an informal group of "trust and estate" lawyers called the LCBA Trust & Estate Bar. It meets five times a year, from September through May, usually on the fourth Wednesday of the month. The meetings are from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at First National Bank downtown. If you are interested, you can email Pete Bullard at pete@estate-planning-help.com.

The Colorado Criminal Defense Bar (Larimer Chapter) meets monthly. Jeffrey Schwartz is the contact person at jeff@jkwlaw.com. He sends out notices by email so if you would like to be included, contact him.

The Larimer County Young Lawyers meets the third Wednesday of every month. If you are interested in their group, contact Matthew A. Haltzman at (970) 221-0664 or matthew@ringlegal.com

Heidi Whitaker is the contact person for the Larimer County Women's Bar. If interested, contact Heidi at heidi@burnhamlaw.com

For those that do not know Larimer County Bar has a web page. Lisa Ritter keeps our webpage current. If there is something you would like to see on the page, please contact her at lritter@ftccolaw.com.

If you haven't checked out our webpage, you can find it www.larimerbar.org

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