

MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION SPRING TERM DAY

March 4, 2022

Donuts & Coffee at 8 a.m.

Business meeting at 9 a.m.

Larimer County Justice Center, Jury Assembly Room
201 LaPorte Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado

1. Call to Order & Introduction Judges and Magistrates
2. State of the Judiciary – Judge Susan Blanco
 - a. Welcome to Judge Findlay, appointed October 11, 2021
 - b. Masks no longer mandatory as of March 7, 2022 at 12:01 a.m. However, parties may still wear masks for their comfort.
 - c. Courtroom 1C is complete
 - d. Jackson County Courthouse—in the design phase for renovation.
 - e. Larimer County Justice Center—starting discussions about expanding the building; community expected to need 12 more courtrooms to match population growth.
 - f. Latinx Task Force—constituted to explore accessibility of courts to community.
 - g. Access to Justice Roadshow
 - h. 48 Hour Bond Hearings—starting to set bond hearings on the weekend.
 - i. Justice Center employees—are volunteering sorting donations for the Marshall Fire in Boulder
 - j. Status of the Courts
 - i. 17 district court jury trials; 9 county court jury trials. The courts are catching up on trial backlog, so the judges appreciate patience.
 - ii. Courts are adjusting to reclassification of certain acts from felonies to misdemeanors to infractions
3. Introduction and Acknowledgement of Volunteers
 - a. Congratulations to Lisa Ritter on her retirement!
 - b. Thank you to Cathy Vlasak!
 - c. Introduction of Gayle Kish
4. Update from the Bar:

- a. Remembering Alden Hill and Judge Sullivan
 - i. Ramsey Myatt paid tribute to John-David Sullivan
 - ii. Brad March paid tribute to Alden Hill
- 5. Treasurer's Report – Heidi Whitaker
 - a. Operating Account: \$114,408.60
 - b. Legal Aid: \$21,447.35
 - c. Reserves: \$111,064.79
- 6. Colorado Poverty Law Program – David Valleau
 - a. Open for service/intakes in Larimer County for eviction defense cases
 - b. CPLP has a network of 300 volunteer attorneys (mostly in Denver metro area) and is looking for more volunteers to take pro bono eviction defense cases
 - i. <https://www.copovertylawproject.org/>
- 7. Mock Trial – David Ayraud
 - a. February 11-12, 2022 – Mock Trial competition, which was held virtually
 - b. 10 teams participated from Larimer and Weld Counties
 - c. 1st Place: Rocky Mountain High School; 2nd: Ridgeview A Team—both move to state finals
- 8. Court Resource Center – Ian Bonner
 - a. Demand in strong in 2021:
 - i. assisted 3,000 in person; 15,633 emails; 30 phone calls/week
 - ii. 5-6 Spanish-speaking litigants/week
 - b. Monthly Ask-a-Lawyer for DR and CV
 - i. volunteer attorneys needed for second Tuesday/month for 2 hours
 - c. Ask-a-Lawyer Day: October 2021: helped 48 people (from 59 signed up, which is a higher percentage of assistance than years past)
- 9. Access to Justice/Pro Bono Program – Magistrate Kandace Majoros
 - a. Family Law Day: April 2022
 - b. Updating modest means list; add attorneys who are willing to offer unbundled legal services
 - c. Updating community resource lists, to accurately reflect resources available in the community
 - d. Next Meeting: May 3, 2022 at noon—all are welcome!

- e. Pro Bono Program served 400-500 individuals in 2021
 - i. looking for volunteers, in-take volunteers, and mentors for attorneys taking pro bono cases in new areas of law
- 10. Colorado Hispanic Bar Association – Jenny Lopez Filkins
 - a. Northern Colorado Region is co-sponsoring events with Women’s Bar
 - b. May 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.: Social Hour at O’Dells Brewery
- 11. Women’s Bar—Claire Havelda
 - a. bar is welcome to all generals and gender identities
 - b. Book Club Series (co-sponsored by CHBA)—register for free at CWBA website:
 - i. March 9, 2022: *The Body is not an Apology*
 - ii. May 11, 2022: *How to be an Anti-Racist*
 - c. April 6, 2022: CLE on Trauma Work, Pandemic, and Balancing Life
 - d. Summer Social: June 17, 2022 4pm to 6pm at Union
- 12. Board of Governors – Kara Clark
 - a. New Representative: Renee Doak
- 13. Professionalism Committee – John Jostad
 - a. 30th Professionalism Seminar: April 20, 2022 from noon to 5:00 p.m. at Lincoln Center (but with hybrid option for folks to Zoom in)
- 14. National Adoption Day – Heidi Whitaker
 - a. November 2021: six families participated with local judges, Miles the Broncos mascot, and Jalapiña the Clown.
 - b. November 2022: looking for sponsorships, including a photo booth or teddy bear donations
- 15. Young Lawyers Division – Fred Long
 - a. New Board: Fred Long, President; Alex Lejeun, VP; Russ Connolly, Treasurer; Payton Bueller, VP of Communication; Kevin Havelda, Member-at-Large
 - b. Law Day: early May 2022
 - c. Stay tuned for upcoming, exciting programming from Larimer YLD
- 16. Inns of Court – Sam Kornfeld
 - a. March 17, 2022—discussing changes in labor law in the era of COVID
 - b. Inn will start a memorial membership in Alden Hill’s name for a young lawyer
- 17. Greater Colorado/Scholarship/Mentorship Program/Library – Ian McCargar

- a. Mentoring—newer lawyers have an opportunity to pair up with a more senior lawyer
 - b. Stephen J. Roy Scholarship—annual scholarship to local high school senior with an interest in law or law-adjacent field
 - c. Library Committee: meets first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 a.m. at Silver Grill
18. Remarks from CBA President – Joi Kush
- a. CBA is working to be more connected to local bar associations, through the good work with the Greater Colorado Task Force, chaired by Ian McCargar
 - i. Local Bar Leaders meeting—bimonthly
 - ii. Diversity Bars/Specialty Bars pouring time and money into Greater Colorado
 - b. CBA Executive Council voted to allow sections to endorse judicial candidates, which will next to go a vote of the Board of Governors
 - c. CBA working to create a welcoming, open, equitable bar association
 - d. Opportunities to be involved:
 - i. write for the *Colorado Lawyer*
 - ii. volunteer for appointment as leadership within the CBA
19. Remarks from CBA Executive Director – Amy Larson
- a. CBA is working around the state to focus on legal opportunities in Greater Colorado to ensure access to justice for Greater Colorado residents
20. Introduction of New Lawyers – Sara Stieben
- a. Haley Dunn—Bringing Justice Home
 - b. Alex LeJeune (in absentia)—Haltzman Law Firm
 - c. Fabian Eichertopf—Coan, Payton & Payne
 - d. Payton Buhler—Bell Gould Linder & Scott
 - e. Welcome to our new lawyers!
21. Introduction/vote for new executive board
- a. Many ways to participate in the local bar leadership, other than membership on the executive board. If you want to be involved, the LCBA wants to *get* you involved
 - b. SLATE OF EXECUTIVE BOARD:
 - i. President: Rebekah Berry-Chaney
 - ii. Vice President: Heidi Whitaker
 - iii. Treasurer: Dan St. John

iv. Secretary: Andrew Priebe

c. Executive Board approved by acclaim.

22. Recognition of Kara Clark

a. President Berry-Chaney presented a gift on behalf of the membership to Past-President Clark for her dedicated years of service to LCBA.

23. Adjournment

LARIMER COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

February 28, 2022

Larimer County Bar Association
Bank Account Balances
February 28, 2022

Regular Checking Account		\$ 114,408.60
Legal Aid Checking Account	+	<u>\$ 21,447.35</u>
Available Funds		\$ 135,855.95

CD/Premium Investment Acct.

Home State 8047030	\$ 70,998.98	
Home State 3002258 4/2/22	\$ 11,563.27	
Home State 805038 10/10/22	<u>\$ 28,502.54</u>	
	\$ 111,064.79	<u>\$ 111,064.79</u>

TOTAL		\$ 246,920.74
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Larimer County Bar Association

Statement of Financial Position

As of February 28, 2022

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Certificates of Deposit	
CD Home State #3002258 4/2	11,563.27
CD Home State #805038 10/10	28,502.54
Total Certificates of Deposit	40,065.81
Checking Accounts	-0.81
Home State Prem. Inv. 8047030	70,998.98
Legal Aid Account	19,001.39
Operating Account	114,183.60
Total Checking Accounts	204,183.16
Total Bank Accounts	\$244,248.97
Other Current Assets	
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Artwork	1,475.00
Deposits	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	1,475.00
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Total Current Assets	\$245,723.97
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
30000 Opening Balance Equity	228,995.31
32000 Unrestricted Net Assets	0.00
Net Income	16,728.66
Total Equity	\$245,723.97
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$245,723.97

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Statement of Activities

February 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
4200 Dues Income	550.00
4450 Interest Income	15.84
Total Income	\$565.84
Expenses	
5150 Mock Trial Regional Competition	
5151 Regional Competition costs	-1,000.00
5152 Mock Trial Team Reimbursement	250.00
Total 5150 Mock Trial Regional Competition	-750.00
5200 Access to Justice	
5210 Internet access courthouse	148.72
Total 5200 Access to Justice	148.72
5250 Bank Service Charges	0.21
5260 PayPal - Credit-Debit Card Fees	-0.22
5610 Web Site Expenses	376.55
5800 Pro Bono	
5810 Pro Bono - Wages	2,172.50
5830 Pro Bono - Payroll Tax	196.19
5840 Pro Bono - Payroll Services	32.00
5850 Pro Bono - Cell Phone	18.63
5870 Pro Bono - Internet	15.00
Total 5800 Pro Bono	2,434.32
6000 Spring Term Day Expenses	
6010 Spring Term Day - Lunch	695.00
Total 6000 Spring Term Day Expenses	695.00
Total Expenses	\$2,904.58
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -2,338.74
NET INCOME	\$ -2,338.74

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Statement of Activities

July 2021 - February 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
4200 Dues Income	50,450.00
4300 Fall Term Day Income	
4310 Golf	1,210.00
Total 4300 Fall Term Day Income	1,210.00
4450 Interest Income	179.20
4500 Ads - Messenger	175.00
Total Income	\$52,014.20
Expenses	
5070 Miscellaneous	10.00
5090 Bench/Bar Luncheons	374.01
5150 Mock Trial Regional Competition	
5151 Regional Competition costs	-1,000.00
5152 Mock Trial Team Reimbursement	500.00
Total 5150 Mock Trial Regional Competition	-500.00
5200 Access to Justice	
5210 Internet access courthouse	1,193.56
5240 Legal Resource Day	225.00
Total 5200 Access to Justice	1,418.56
5250 Bank Service Charges	0.21
5260 PayPal - Credit-Debit Card Fees	-0.22
5300 Office Supplies, Postage,Copies	146.00
5350 Ethics Seminar Expense	913.00
5450 CLE - Other Seminars	300.00
5460 Zoom License	154.25
5540 National Adoption Day expenses	200.00
5550 Retreat Meeting	101.63
5600 Gifts, Memoriams	154.20
5610 Web Site Expenses	472.55
5640 Directors & Officers Liability	1,807.00
5650 Accounting Expense & Quickbooks	675.00
5800 Pro Bono	
5810 Pro Bono - Wages	18,005.63
5830 Pro Bono - Payroll Tax	1,434.25
5840 Pro Bono - Payroll Services	260.00
5850 Pro Bono - Cell Phone	149.09
5870 Pro Bono - Internet	120.00
5880 Worker's Compensation Insurance	200.00
Total 5800 Pro Bono	20,168.97

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July 2021 - February 2022

	TOTAL
5900 Fall Term Day Expenses	
5910 Fall Term Day - Golf	1,310.00
5920 Fall Term Day - Dinner	6,127.75
5990 Fall Term Day Exp - other	153.13
Total 5900 Fall Term Day Expenses	7,590.88
6000 Spring Term Day Expenses	
6010 Spring Term Day - Lunch	1,149.50
6020 Spring Term Day - Bowling	150.00
Total 6000 Spring Term Day Expenses	1,299.50
Total Expenses	\$35,285.54
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$16,728.66
NET INCOME	\$16,728.66