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A message from Charles Dunlap, Indiana Bar Foundation President & CEO



I recently had the pleasure to attend the Evansville Bar Association's (EBA) Law Day Celebration and Annual Meeting. After a 2-year hiatus, it was a wonderful opportunity to gather together with members of the EBA and see so many friends and colleagues in person, rather than from the shoulders up via a computer screen. The evening's events honored several members who have made significant impacts to the profession and the community, as well as recognizing several attorneys who have been members of the EBA for over 50 years, including retired Indiana Chief Justice Randy Shepard. As a bit of an outsider to the local Evansville legal community, being from the Indianapolis area, it was a great reminder of the importance of local bar associations like

the EBA. The (justifiable) pride in their community, the celebration of career accomplishments, and the development of programs to help their fellow citizens was inspiring. Having the opportunity to see all of this in person was a great reminder that as good as technology is and the convenience of remote meetings that has become the norm these past few years, sometimes there is no substitute for being able to enjoy the company of your colleagues and friends in person. As Justice Shepard might say...Alleluia!

Civic Education

Indiana Students Excel in We the People National Competitions

2021 We the People Indiana Champion Fishers High School finished second during the National Finals, taking place April 23-25. Congratulations to the students and teacher Liz Paternoster for an outstanding National Finals. Hamilton Southeastern High School also competed in the competition. Congratulations to the students at HSE High School and their teacher, Janet Chandler.

Multiple Indiana Middle Schools Competed in WE the People National Invitational

The Middle School National Invitational Finals took place on April 30 and May 1. Four Indiana middle schools participated, including Fall Creek Junior High (Fishers), Hobart Middle School (Hobart), Woodside Middle School (Fort Wayne), and 2021 Indiana Middle School We the People State Champion Fishers Junior High School (Fishers). Congratulations to these students and their teachers for their hard work and dedication. The We the People National Invitational Award ceremony is tonight, Monday, May 2, at 7 p.m. (ET) and will be broadcast on the Center for Civic Education's Facebook and YouTube channels. Follow the Indiana Bar Foundation's social media for results as well.

Statewide Tour Creates Partnerships to Improve and Expand Civic Education Programs

The civic education team of Tim Kalgreen and Joseph O'Connor have traveled the state during school spring breaks to visit with We the People and Mock Trial teachers to celebrate the accomplishments this year, learn what went well, and how the Foundation can continue to support them in the classroom. The tour included Evansville, Brown County, Fishers, and Fort Wayne stops.

Foundation Welcomes New Staff Members

Michelle Hammond is the new Legal Navigator Manager. Michelle has a Master of Education in Learning and Technology and has several years of professional experience working with technology implementation, most recently as an Analyst for the Court of Appeals. Michelle will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Indiana Bar Foundation's brand-new Housing Stability Legal Navigator Project.

Jewel Patterson is the new Content Management and Technology Specialist. Jewel is just weeks away from receiving her Bachelor of Science in Community and Nonprofit Leadership from the University of Indianapolis. Jewel has experience as a paralegal. Working primarily with Indiana Legal Help and the civil legal assistance department, Jewel will work on implementing, maintaining, testing, marketing, and supporting legal help content available on Indianalegalhelp.org. She will also support the contact management database for the civil legal assistance department and help organize the annual Civil Legal Assistance Conference sponsored by the Foundation and the Coalition for Court Access.

Informational Videos Explain How to Prepare for Court

A partnership between the Foundation's Indiana Legal Help program, Indiana Legal Services, and the Technology Initiative Grant from the Legal Services Corporation has created three new self-help videos for those needing civil legal assistance. The videos are part of extensive resources offered by Indiana Legal Help. The newest videos offer help with [Preparing to File Forms With the Court](#), [How to Publish Notice of Name Change](#), and [Keeping Your Court Case Private](#). All Indiana Legal Help videos are available [here](#).

Scholarship Opportunities

Reminder! May 20 Application Deadline for Scholarships

The Phelps & Fara Scholarship assists a law student enrolled at the IU McKinney School of Law with an interest in family law. Gale Phelps and Thomas Fara joined their practices after many years of successful solo practices where they formerly represented opposing clients. Both were active members in the family law section of the ISBA, demonstrating their commitment to the professionalism of family law by helping other attorneys and leading CLEs on various family law topics. Apply [here](#).

The Hon. Cale J. Holder Scholarship was established in 1984 in memory of Judge Holder and is awarded annually based on dedication to the administration of law, financial need, desire to be a practicing trial lawyer, capacity for leadership, academic achievement, and military service record if any. Apply [here](#).

The Helling Scholarship was created to provide scholarships to young attorneys in Indiana in order to give them the opportunity to participate in the Indiana State Bar Association's annual meeting each year. As part of the award, and depending on the particular winner, the scholarship award is designed to cover the expenses of sending a lawyer and his or her family to the ISBA Annual Meeting, including such expenses as registration fees, lodging, meals and travel expenses. The Joseph T. Helling Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by Nancy J. Gargula, Cynthia L. Chandler, and Douglas J. Helling in honor of their father, Joseph T. Helling, who practiced law in South Bend for more than 40 years. Apply [here](#).

Development, Marketing, and Communications

Support the Foundation on Social Media

As part of the Foundation's brand refresh initiative, your help in liking our Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn posts, retweeting posts, and encouraging colleagues, friends, and family to support our social media is appreciated.

News Brief

Foundation Leadership Presents at Annual Judicial College
Marilyn Smith, Senior Counsel, Civil Legal Assistance Programs (standing)



and Charles Dunlap, President and CEO (seated), represented the Foundation during the Annual Judicial College event sponsored by the Indiana Supreme Court. During their presentation, Smith and Dunlap provided a comprehensive overview of the Foundation's \$13.1 (M) Indiana Emergency Rental Assistance Program contract. The two also answered questions from those attending the "Help with Housing: Opportunities, Challenges, and Resources in Eviction Cases" session.

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