



March 2017 news & updates

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March CLE & Happy Hour

Please join us for CLE and Happy Hour at MVP **this Wednesday**, March 22nd. The CLE topics are Insurance Bad Faith and a Crash Course on Federal Labor Laws. CLE is from 4-6 (cost is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members). MVP has also, once again, offered to host and sponsor the March happy hour and our membership looks forward to this event every year. How can you possibly pass on food, drinks and excellent company?! If you can't make the CLE, definitely come for the happy hour and if you leave work at 5, just head on over there. See you there!



**MVP address:
10 E. Cambridge Circle Drive
Kansas City, Kansas 66103**

Bench- Bar Trial Advocacy Seminar

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

9:00am- 4:00pm

Registration begins at 8:30am

Hollywood Casino at Kansas Speedway
(in the back of the buffet restaurant)

6 hours of CLE including 1 hour of ethics

\$125 for Bar members, \$175 for non-members

Early Bird Discount- Save \$25 if paid by the end of MARCH

PROGRAM TOPICS: *(Click on each presenter's name for their bio.)*

- [James P. Bartimus](#)– Civil Plaintiff Advocacy
- [Jim Griffin](#), [Scott Ast](#), [Douglas R. Dalglish](#), [W. Perry Brandt](#)– Civil Defense Advocacy
- [Roger W. Warren](#)– Civil Mediation Advocacy
- [Chief Judge R. Wayne Lampson](#) & [U.S. Magistrate Judge James P. O'Hara](#)– Top 10 Ethics Problems for Lawyers
- [Kevin E.J. Regan](#)– Criminal Advocacy: Opening and Closing Statement
- District Attorney [Mark A. Dupree, Sr.](#)– Charging and Prosecution Management

\$12 optional boxed lunches available

February Fun

Last month the Bar opted out of the formal meeting for a little happy hour fun at the Corkhouse following the CLE. The food was excellent and we



had a great group. Thanks to our CLE presenters and thanks to everyone else that came out to make that evening a success! Hope to see you all again in a few days!



Message from the President

I am honored to be the President of the Wyandotte County Bar Association this year. The Bar Association hopes to change things up a little bit to offer more opportunities for members to become involved. I would like to welcome our new officers, Dan Doyle as Secretary of the Bar, and Theresa Mata and Tim Alvarez on the Board of Directors. I appreciate their willingness to get involved!



It's hard to believe it is already almost April! We started the year off with another great President's Gala at James P. Davis Hall. As usual, Katie Devlin and Ashlee Erickson put on an amazing party and everyone had a great time.

This week MVP has graciously offered to host our March CLE with a happy hour. The CLE will be presented by Byron Bowles and Chuck Dunlay of MVP. This CLE will also have an added bonus of one hour of Ethics. After the CLE, all are welcome to stay for food and cocktails provided by MVP.

In April, the Bar Association is excited to announce its first Bench Bar Trial Advocacy Seminar on April 19, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM located at the Hollywood Casino at the Kansas Speedway. This will be a 6 hour CLE that includes 1 hour of Ethics. Karen Shuler and Ray Probst, our CLE/Program Committee Chairs have lined up amazing presenters for this CLE including James P. Bartimus, Jim Griffin, Scott Ast, Douglas R. Dagleish, W. Perry Brandt, Roger W. Warren, Chief Judge R. Wayne Lampson, U.S. Magistrate Judge James P. O'Hara, Kevin E.J. Regan, and District Attorney Mark A. Dupree. We promise you will not be disappointed so please RSVP now! Thank you so much to Karen Shuler, Ray Probst, and Pearl King for their hard work.

This summer is filled with fun for our Bar members. In May there will not be a formal meeting, but the Bar Association will be hosting a Happy Hour. Mark your calendars for June 29th, for the annual Bar Association golf tournament at Dubs Dread. The day will start out with a two hour ethics CLE followed by a wonderful day of golf. Thanks to Zak Kolich for all of his hard work! Please

join us in July for a fun filled family night at the T-Bones game. Bring your kids and enjoy a great night out at the ball park. Stay tuned for more information on these events.

In October, the Bar Association will be sponsoring a CLE for Guardian Ad Litem Certification presented by Ann Colgan. This event will fill up fast so look for more information to come. There is no doubt this CLE for GAL's will be the best in the metro area.

The Bar Association is also trying out a few new programs this year. Mike Nichols is rounding up attorneys for a new Bench Bar committee. This committee will consist of WYCO District Court Judges and local WYCO attorneys who practice in various areas of the law to address any issues that may be affecting our courts. If you would like to be involved or have any ideas that you think need to be addressed, please contact Mike Nichols or myself.

And finally, the Bar Association is becoming a part of Harvester's Food from the Bar program. This program encourages local legal professionals to come together to collect food and contribute volunteer hours to end hunger in our area. There will be bins set up at various locations in the Courthouse to collect food for the hungry. Please consider getting involved in this great community service project. If you would like to have your firm or office become involved also, please let me know! I really would like to get more involvement out of the Bar members this year. If you know of a new attorney in the area who you think would like to become involved in the Bar, please let me know. Also, if you have any suggestions or ideas for the Bar Association, I would love to hear from you. Please reach out to me or any of the board members or committee chairs. Our information can be found on the Bar Association website.

Have a great week! Jenny Myers

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