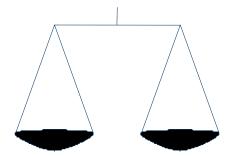
Winnebago County Bar Association



Bar Rag

Edmund Jelinski – President Meghan Healy – Vice President Elect Elizabeth Nevitt – Secretary Kathleen Diedrich/David Rashid - Treasurers Brenda Marks – Legal Secretary

Property Disputes – presented by Edmund Jelinski

- Place: Primo 2605 Jackson Street, Oshkosh WI 54901
- Time: Thursday, November 21st, Noon 1:30pm
- Cost: \$13.00 to the Winnebago County Bar Association
- **RSVP:** no later than Tuesday, November 19th to Brenda: <u>bmarks@azco-inc.com</u> or calling 920-380-7627

Mark your calendars for these CLE Presentations

December 19	1/2 day Ethics – Followed by Christmas Party
January 2014	Child Support Updates
February 2014	Domestic Partnership Issues
March 2014	Criminal Law Update
April 2014	Case Law / Family Law Update

Legal Assistance Clinic - The Winnebago County Bar Association provides a free legal clinic at various public libraries in the county. We are always in need of attorneys in all practice areas, to help at the clinics.

The locations are:

Menasha Public Library on 1st Tuesday each month;

Neenah Public Library on 2nd Tuesday each month; and

Oshkosh Public Library on 3rd Tuesday each month.

All clinics are from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Even if you can only come for an hour, we can use your help! This is a very important service we are able to offer our community.

We are currently updating our list of referral attorneys. Referral attorneys are volunteers who do not need to attend a clinic but agree to phone conference with clinic clients for free for approximately 15-30 minutes to counsel them on their legal issues. The time of the phone conference can be worked out at the convenience of the attorney and client. The clinic will email you scans of their intake forms so that you have a bit of background on the case before the phone conference.

If you would like to remain on the referral list, or are interested in being added to it please respond with your areas of specialty and how many referrals per month you would be willing to take on.

Please contact the Legal Assistance Clinic at - legalassistanceclinic@gmail.com

Mentoring Program

As most of you know, Outagamie and Winnebago Counties have initiated a mentorship program to assist newer lawyers in our area. We have a number of new lawyers matched with experienced attorneys and the program is working well, so far. We have a number of people willing to serve as mentors, but not nearly as many newer lawyers asking for help. We also have lawyers who want mentors in specific areas, but don't have mentors who practice in those areas.

If you are a newer lawyer, even if you are working at a firm, and want someone to go to with questions about your practice area, as well as about procedures, judges, etc. in our area, please contact either Liz Nevitt (<u>liz@nevittlawoffice.com</u>) or Tajara Dommershausen (<u>tdomm@pdlawoffice.com</u>) and send one of them your completed application form – which is attached to this newsletter.

The main areas in which we are very short of mentors are: elder law, guardianship and business transactions/litigation . We have a lot of willing mentors in the criminal and family law areas, but we can always use more to match with our newer lawyers.

Another benefit of our mentorship program will be the addition of an e-mail list serve for all those signed up in the program. The list is available to anyone signed up as a mentor and anyone who has asked for a mentor, regardless of whether you are actually matched yet. Questions can be posed to the list and anyone on the list can respond.

For anyone who has signed up either to get a mentor, or to serve as a mentor, you are going to be included in the new e-list, which is handled by the State Bar of Wisconsin. It is similar to the other e-lists administered by the State Bar.

Soon, each of you will receive a message, asking you to confirm your membership in our list. Please click on the link in the e-mail message to confirm your membership. If you do not receive one within about a week after you get this newsletter, please contact Liz Nevitt at (920) 589-2166 or <u>liz@nevittlawoffice.com</u>.

If you would like to be included in our e-list, please sign up for the mentorship program

This is a great tool for our newer lawyers – and maybe a good reminder for those of us who have been practicing for a while!

We really want to help integrate our newer lawyers into our bar associations. We also want to make sure they learn about the practices and "quirks" in our counties. Our mentorship program can do this. Please consider helping us, or signing up for a mentor. Anyone can contact Liz or Tajara with any questions."

Newsletter - If, as a member, you would like to post an announcement in the monthly newsletter, please let us know. As in the past, these can be new-hires, job postings, space-for-rent or other announcements that have to do with your practice.

If you are a member of the WCBA, as well as a member of another non-profit organization, you are welcome to post event announcements to the rest of the membership encouraging them to attend – for example – the date for the Neenah Rotary Uncorked and Uncapped fundraiser, or the Black & Pink Ball benefitting the non-profit you are a board member for. We'd be happy to let everyone know. Send us an email and we'll make sure it's printed.

Keep in mind, you are the contact person and will be listed in the newsletter as the point of contact for more information and questions.