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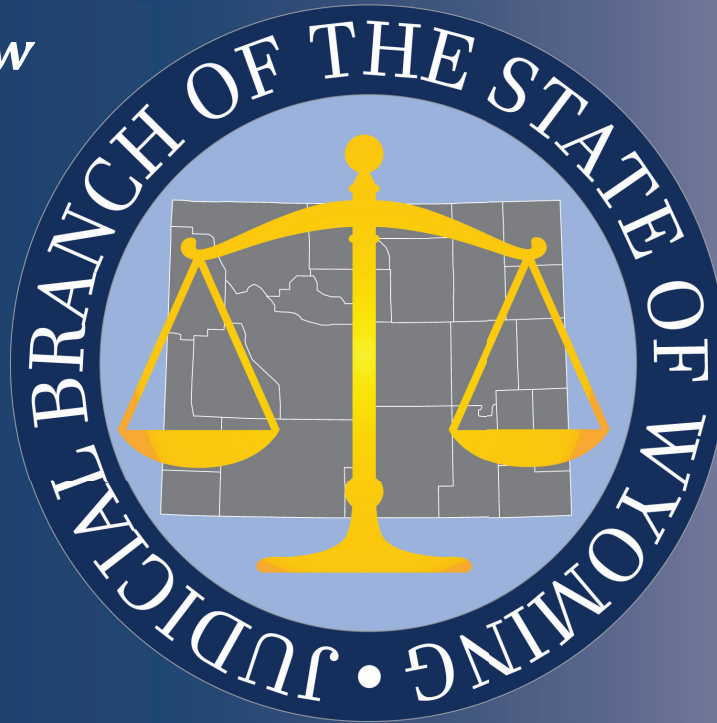
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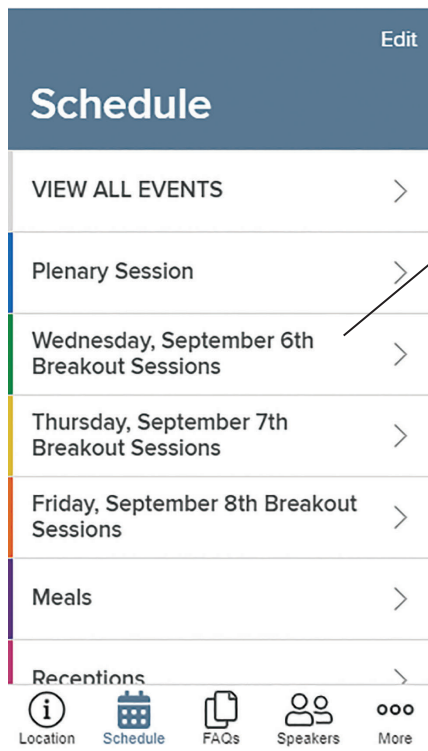
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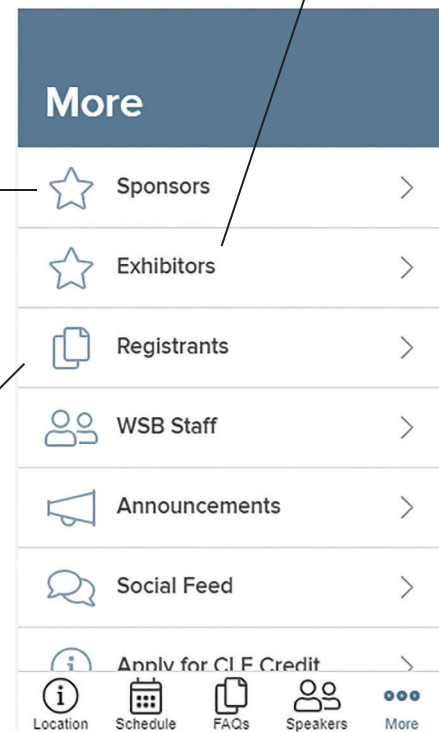
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# Judges' Schedule At-A-Glance

**Tuesday, September 5th**

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
8:00 a.m.	Judicial Conference Welcome	Hon. Kate Fox Chief Justice Wyoming Supreme Court	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
8:15 a.m.	Legislative Priorities	Hon. Kate Fox Chief Justice Wyoming Supreme Court	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
9:00 a.m.	Looking Back: Advice from Retired Judges	Hon. Keith Kautz Hon. Nick Deegan (Ret.) Hon. Dave Park (Ret.) Hon. John Brooks (Ret.)	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
10:00 a.m.	Break		
10:15 a.m.	Digital Evidence	Hon. Mark McGinnis Outagamie County Circuit Court of Wisconsin	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
11:45 a.m.	<b>Lunch on Your Own</b>		
1:15 p.m.	Criminal Law Update	Michael A. Blonigen	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
2:15 p.m.	Civil Law Update	Anna Reeves Olson	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
3:15 p.m.	Break		
3:30 p.m.	Mental Health Diversion Programs	Hon. Steve Leifman Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
5:00 p.m.	<b>Young Lawyers Cocktail Reception</b> (only for invited guests)		UW Art Museum

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## Wednesday, September 6th

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
7:30 a.m.	Children's Justice Project Breakfast	Korin Schmidt Department of Family Services Director	Hilton Garden Inn Salon A
8:45 a.m.	District Court Breakout	Hon. John Perry (Ret.)	Hilton Garden Inn Salon A
	Circuit Court Breakout: Protection Orders	Hon. Sean Chambers Hon. Nathaniel S. Hibben	Hilton Garden Inn Salon B
9:45 a.m.	District Court Breakout	Dan Shannon Department of Corrections Director	Hilton Garden Inn Salon A
	Circuit Court Breakout	Elisa Butler State Court Administrator	Hilton Garden Inn Salon B
10:45 a.m.	Break		
11:00 a.m.	University of Wyoming College of Law Clinics/Externships	Klint Alexander UW College of Law Dean	Hilton Garden Inn Salons A & B
12:00 p.m.	<b>Judicial Luncheon</b>	<b>Hon. Steve Leifman</b> <b>Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida</b>	Hilton Garden Inn Salons C, D & E
1:30 - 5:00 p.m.	District Court Breakout		Hilton Garden Inn Salon A
	Circuit Court Breakout		Hilton Garden Inn Salon B
5:00 p.m.	Welcome Reception		Wildcatter Club @ War Memorial Stadium

# Attorneys' Schedule-At-A-Glance

## Wednesday, September 6th

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
8:15 - 11:45 a.m.	<b>PLENARY:</b> Powerful Witness Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dan Small</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons A-D
12:00 - 1:20 p.m.	<b>Judicial Luncheon</b> (open to all in-person registrants)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hon. Steve Leifman, Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida</li> </ul>	Hilton Garden Inn
<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>			
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> When Divorce and Bankruptcy Meet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alex R. Berger</li> <li>Geneva K. Engelhart</li> <li>Adam M. Goodman</li> <li>Jeffrey T. Van Fleet</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Russia's War on Ukraine and the Implications on World Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Samantha Carl-Yoder</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Oklahoma! Where the Wind—and Indian Country Criminal Cases—Come Sweepin' Down the Plain (Part 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bailey B. Lazzari</li> <li>Melody L. McCoy</li> <li>Ember A. Oakley</li> <li>Kelly A. Rudd</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon D
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	Break		
<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>			
2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Financial Affidavits and Child Support (Part 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abigail E. Fournier</li> <li>Rennie P. Phillips</li> <li>Dona Playton</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Criminal Law Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Robin S. Cooper</li> <li>Jenny L. Craig</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Oklahoma! Where the Wind—and Indian Country Criminal Cases—Come Sweepin' Down the Plain (Part 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bailey B. Lazzari</li> <li>Melody L. McCoy</li> <li>Ember A. Oakley</li> <li>Kelly A. Rudd</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon D
3:45 - 4 p.m.	Break		
<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>			
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Financial Affidavits and Child Support (Part 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abigail E. Fournier</li> <li>Rennie P. Phillips</li> <li>Dona Playton</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Building the Case for Inclusive and Accessible Communications in the Legal Profession	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Angie M. Dorsch</li> <li>Eang M. Man</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Remote Appearances & Technology Tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hon. Thomas T.C. Campbell</li> <li>Hon. Jason M. Conder</li> <li>Nate Goddard</li> <li>Hon. Paul S. Phillips</li> <li>Hon. Susan K. Stipe</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon D
5:00 p.m.	<b>Welcome Reception</b>		Wildcatter Club @ War Memorial Stadium



## Thursday, September 7th

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
6:30 a.m.	Race Judicata		Pilot Hill Recreation Area
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
8:15 - 9:15 a.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Estate Planning and Charitable Giving (Part 1)	• Barry Nickelsberg	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> I Got 99 Problems But Fixing My Financial Affairs Ain't One: Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 (Part 1)	• Lacey S. Bryan • Mark Dennis • Bradley T. Hunsicker	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Client Centered Billing	• Thomas E. Lubnau	Gateway Center Salon D
9:15 - 9:30 a.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Estate Planning and Charitable Giving (Part 2)	• Barry Nickelsberg	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> I Got 99 Problems But Fixing My Financial Affairs Ain't One: Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 (Part 2)	• Lacey S. Bryan • Mark Dennis • Bradley T. Hunsicker	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Prosecutorial Ethics	• Michael A. Blonigen • Jenny L. Craig • Hon. F. Scott Peasley	Gateway Center Salon D
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
10:45 - 11:45 a.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Estate Planning and Charitable Giving (Part 3)	• Barry Nickelsberg	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Asked and Answered: Avoiding Common Pitfalls in Trial Practice	• Brianne C. Phillips • Hannah D. West	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> The Anatomy of a Grievance	• Mark W. Gifford	Gateway Center Salon D
12:00 - 1:20 p.m.	<b>Access to Justice Luncheon</b> <b>Working Together to Improve the System: Court Navigators and SRL Forms</b> (open to all in-person registrants)	• Hon. Lynne J. Boomgaarden • Hon. Catherine W. Wilking • Barry V. Crago • Walter Eggers	Hilton Garden Inn

# Attorneys' Schedule At-A-Glance

## Thursday, September 7th, continued

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Peaks and Pits of the Courtroom: The Biggest Mistakes Attorneys Make and How to Fix Them	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hon. Shelley A. Cundiff</li> <li>Hon. Kate Fox</li> <li>Hon. Nathaniel S. Hibben</li> <li>Hon. Melissa M. Owens</li> <li>Hon. Steven K. Sharpe</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Solomon Did NOT Cut the Baby in Half: Busting Myths So That We Can Best Decide When to Arbitrate and When to Litigate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>James B. Hodge</li> <li>Lance K. Tanaka</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Got ChatGPT? Generative AI, GPT, LLMs and the Legal Data-Driven Revolution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Damien Riehl</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon D
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Exploring Legal Research with Fastcase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lisa Smith-Crissey</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Criminal Law Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Robin S. Cooper</li> <li>Jenny L. Craig</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Voting in the Virtual Age: How We Are Heard and Seen in the Time of Big Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tara B. Nethercott</li> <li>Douglas M. Spencer</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon D
3:45 - 4:00 p.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Software Update: The Latest in AI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jared D. Correia</li> <li>Josh Noffke</li> <li>Brent R. Rhodes</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Civil Law Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anna M. Reeves Olson</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Access to Court Records: What You Need to Know and Why	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benjamin M. Burningham</li> <li>Elisa M. Butler</li> </ul>	Gateway Center Salon D
6:00 p.m.	<b>Pre-Banquet Cocktail Party</b> (open to all in-person registrants)		Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 p.m.	<b>2023 Annual Banquet</b>		Hilton Garden Inn

## Friday, September 8th

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS	LOCATION
6:30 - 7:30 a.m.	Yoga for Lawyers	• Devon P. O'Connell	Hilton Salon F
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
8:15 - 9:15 a.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Supported Decision-Making in Wyoming: Cases, Research and Ethics	• Melissa R. Theriault	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Addressing Burnout, Mental Health and Suicide Risk: Results of the ISP Questionnaire	• John Ordiway	Gateway Center Salon B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Essential Law Office Technology: Key Technologies and Services	• Barron K. Henley	Gateway Center Salon D
9:15 - 9:30 a.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> How to Avoid QDRO Malpractice: Strategy and Liability for the Family Law Attorney	• Raymond S. Dietrich	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Anatomy of a Wyoming Appeal	• Hon. Michael K. Davis (Ret.) • Tyler J. Garrett	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> 2023's Best Legal Tech Tips, Tricks, Services, Gadgets and Websites	• Barron K. Henley	Gateway Center Salon D
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
10:45 - 11:45 a.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Driving Under the Influence and Noncitizen Defendants: Understanding Your Duty as Defense Counsel	• Travis J. Helm	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Civil Law Update	• Anna M. Reeves Olson	Gateway Center Salons B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Microsoft Word Power Tips for Legal Users	• Barron K. Henley	Gateway Center Salon D
12:00 - 1:20 p.m.	<b>Annual Business Meeting Luncheon</b> (open to all in-person registrants)	• Anna M. Reeves Olson	Hilton Garden Inn
1:30 - 3:45 p.m.	<b>PLENARY:</b> Tech Ready: Building Your Approach to Data and Technology	• Bobby R. Williams	Gateway Center Salons A-D
3:45 - 4:00 p.m.	Break		
	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b>		
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<b>BREAKOUT 1:</b> Exploring Legal Research with Fastcase	• Lisa Smith-Crissey	Gateway Center Salon A
	<b>BREAKOUT 2:</b> Guardianship & Conservatorship Boot Camp: Everything You Need in Your Toolbox	• Molly H. Dearing	Gateway Center Salon B & C
	<b>BREAKOUT 3:</b> Title 25 - Emergency Detentions & Involuntary Hospitalizations: The Peculiar Review of Hospitalizations of Mentally Ill Persons	• Rendy S. Lemke • Marci H. Linde	Gateway Center Salon D
5:00 p.m.	<b>CONCLUSION OF 2023 ANNUAL MEETING</b>		

# Wednesday, September 6th

**8:15 - 11:45 a.m.**

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**PLENARY: Powerful Witness Preparation**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons A-D  
CLE: 3/0.5 Ethics

**Presented by:** Dan Small

Realize that testimony is far removed from a conversation. It is a precise and unnatural process that requires meticulous preparation—a skill that can be taught, but not one that you’ve encountered in a formal setting. Even if you’ve prepared hundreds of witnesses, you can improve your abilities, increase your winning percentage, improve your efficiency as an advocate and drastically reduce the stress of not knowing which way a witness might take you, or how that witness might be led astray!

Dan Small has built a brilliant career on his ability to prepare witnesses to be compelling advocates for his client, even if the witness is his client. As a federal prosecutor, general counsel for a healthcare management company and as a partner at Holland & Knight, Small has used the same process that he will teach to you to introduce the witness to the foreign land of the deposition, hearing, or courtroom and to prepare them to tell the story in a way that connects to jury or judge and produces winning results.

**12:00 - 1:20 p.m.**

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**Judicial Luncheon**

(open to all in-person registrants)

LOCATION: Hilton Garden Inn

**Presented by:** Hon. Steve Leifman, Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida

**Ending the Criminalization of Mental Illness**

It is estimated that more than two million arrests in the United States each year involve people with Serious Mental Illnesses (SMI)—half of which are homeless at the time of their arrest. As a result, untrained and unprepared stakeholders in the criminal justice system have been forced to navigate an increasingly scarce system of care for people with mental illnesses. Jails have become places where a disproportionate number of people with SMI spend significant amounts of time; their ties to the community severed, their treatment needs unmet, and their illnesses made worse. Judge Leifman will discuss his journey into the mental health

system, the legal and medical history that led to America’s mental health crisis and the essential elements necessary to create an effective system of care that ultimately will transform the mental health and criminal justice systems and make jail the last option for people with serious mental illnesses, not the first.

**1:30 - 2:30 p.m.**

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**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**BREAKOUT 1: When Divorce and Bankruptcy Meet**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

**Sponsored by the Bankruptcy & Creditors’ Rights Section & the Children & Family Law Section**

**Presented by:** Alex R. Berger (Moderator), Geneva K. Engelhart, Adam M. Goodman and Jeffrey T. Van Fleet

Divorce and bankruptcy are very different and highly specialized areas of the law with different courts, judges and advocates. However, the two areas of law intersect more than most practitioners realize; and when they do, the unwary can make critical and costly errors. In this panel discussion, the Family Law and Bankruptcy Sections have joined forces to speak with you about some of these hot-button issues, such as drafting divorce decrees for smooth post-divorce bankruptcy, timing of divorce and bankruptcy, discovery and document production overlap and more.

**BREAKOUT 2: Russia’s War on Ukraine and the Implications on World Energy**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

**Sponsored by the Energy and Natural Resources Section**

**Presented by:** Samantha Carl-Yoder

Russia’s invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 has had a profound effect on global energy markets. Price volatility, supply shortages, security issues and economic uncertainty have contributed to what the International Energy Agency (IEA) is calling “the first truly global energy crisis, with impacts that will be felt for years to come.” This presentation will include a review of current world energy policies, the effects on the global and local energy sectors and provide a road map for the future.

### **BREAKOUT 3: Oklahoma! Where the Wind—and Indian Country Criminal Cases—Come Sweepin’ Down the Plain (Part 1)**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

#### **Sponsored by the Federal Indian and Tribal Law Section**

**Presented by:** Bailey B. Lazzari, Melody L. McCoy, Ember A. Oakley and Kelly A. Rudd

For decades, states had limited jurisdiction to prosecute crimes committed on Indian reservations. The U.S. Supreme Court’s opinion in the 2022 *Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta* case marked a significant departure from this well-established precedent. Although *Castro-Huerta* involved a series of incidents in Oklahoma, the decision has rippled across the country leaving many to wonder whether states will exercise its newly recognized authority. In this seminar, attendees will have the opportunity to delve into the Court’s decision and examine if and how states, like Wyoming, could exercise its expanded criminal jurisdiction to prosecute crimes committed in Indian Country.

**2:30 - 2:45 p.m.**

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#### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

### **BREAKOUT 1: Financial Affidavits and Child Support (Part 1)**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

#### **Sponsored by the Children & Family Law Section**

**Presented by:** Abigail E. Fournier, Rennie P. Phillips and Dona Playton

This program will teach attendees how to complete confidential financial affidavits accurately, including for self-employed parents. Sample discovery questions will be shared to help ascertain financial information that may be missing. Once the financial affidavits are completed, the presumptive child support amount can be calculated.

The second part of the program will focus on the implications of deviating from the presumptive child support

amount and best practices to avoid long-term consequences for your client. Recent case law will be reviewed. Presenters will also discuss other issues related to child support, such as daycare costs and tax deductions and why it is important to ensure a final order contemplates the impact that these decisions can have on clients.

### **BREAKOUT 2: Criminal Law Update**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

**Offered again Thursday!**

**Presented by:** Robin S. Cooper and Jenny L. Craig

It’s been a busy year in the realm of criminal law, with cases spanning a variety of topics including the Covid-19 pandemic, the Fourth Amendment, sentencing discretion, the Fifth Amendment and self-defense. Get up to speed on all the major developments in criminal law with an update on recent opinions from the Wyoming Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court.

### **BREAKOUT 3: Oklahoma! Where the Wind—and Indian Country Criminal Cases—Come Sweepin’ Down the Plain (Part 2)**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

#### **Sponsored by the Federal Indian and Tribal Law Section**

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CLE: 1

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**BREAKOUT 2: Building the Case for Inclusive and Accessible Communications in the Legal Profession**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1/1 Ethics

**Sponsored by the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Section**

**Presented by:** Angie M. Dorsch and Eang M. Man

Our words matter and as attorneys and leaders, we have an incredible opportunity to create an inclusive environment for our colleagues and clients. In the legal profession, we communicate via spoken and written words and an important component of creating an inclusive environment for all is ensuring that our communications are inclusive and accessible. Join this session to learn how you can advance your diversity, equity and inclusion journey to make an impactful and lasting change through the use of inclusive language.

**BREAKOUT 3: Remote Appearances & Technology Tips**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Hon. Thomas T.C. Campbell, Hon. Jason M. Conder, Hon. Paul S. Phillips, Hon. Susan K. Stipe and Nate Goddard

The Pandemic dramatically accelerated the use of virtual appearances. This has come with some struggles, both in making the law fit the new realities and in assuring courtroom propriety with the use of technology. Attorneys, pro se litigants, clients, witnesses and of course judges suddenly had no choice but to learn and adapt. It has been an interesting journey to say the least, ranging from growing skills with the equipment involved, to the hilarious and occasionally maddening appearances that have resulted. The panel's collective experience will provide an entertaining overview of the current state of affairs in our virtual courtrooms.

**5:00 p.m.**

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**Welcome Reception  
Wildcatter Stadium Club & Suites @ War Memorial Stadium**

Take a break from CLE and relax a bit! Join the Wyoming State Bar in welcoming its members, speakers, sponsors, exhibitors, and members of the Judiciary to Laramie for the 2023 Annual Meeting & Judicial Conference. Enjoy a unique opportunity to share hors d'ouerves and cocktails with friends and colleagues at the Wildcatter Stadium Club & Suites. Named after the many successful Wildcatters of Wyoming (a wildcatter is a person who drills oil or gas wells in areas that are not known in advance to be oil or gas fields), the Wildcatter Stadium Club and Suites is one of the finest football stadium club and suite facilities in all of the Mountain West.

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# Thursday, September 7th

**6:30 a.m.**

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## **Race Judicata**

LOCATION: Pilot Hill Recreation Hill

Lace up your running shoes and get ready to hit the trails! This year's 5k is a trail run within city limits and within walking distance of the conference headquarters. This is the perfect opportunity to get some exercise, enjoy the beautiful scenery, and bond with your colleagues. Whether you are an experienced runner or a novice, this course is sure to challenge and inspire you. Walkers are welcome too!

**8:15 - 9:15 a.m.**

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## **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

### **BREAKOUT 1: Estate Planning and Charitable Giving (Part 1)**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

#### **Sponsored by the Wyoming Community Foundation**

**Presented by:** Barry Nickelsberg

Many estate planners are afraid to ask clients if they want to leave something to charity. Yet, many clients want to leave the world a better place and minimize their federal tax. This program will address the myths and facts about philanthropy—starting with a brief history of philanthropy, how it serves our communities now and the psychology behind it. Then we will make the case for charitable giving through estate planning. Finally, this course will provide several examples of using estate planning techniques to minimize tax through charitable testamentary giving and how it can benefit our clients and their families.

### **BREAKOUT 2: I Got 99 Problems But Fixing My Financial Affairs Ain't One: Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019 (Part 1)**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

#### **Sponsored by the Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Section**

**Presented by:** Lacey S. Bryan, Mark Dennis and Bradley T. Hunsicker

In light of the flexibility afforded under the SBRA, chapter 11 bankruptcy is now a real option for debtors who have a small business that can operate in the ordinary course but are otherwise facing unexpected issues related to cash flow, litigation, commodity pricing, etc. Considering the majority of businesses in Wyoming are small-business debtors (i.e., a "mom and pop" shop), it is important for all attorneys that practice commercial law to have a general understanding of this new tool in the toolbox that, when used appropriately, can be wildly beneficial for their clients facing financial distress.

### **BREAKOUT 3: Client Centered Billing**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1/1 Ethics

**Presented by:** Thomas E. Lubnau

Development of a billing strategy that takes the clients' interests into consideration is also a tool for ethical compliance. This course will examine the requirements of Wyoming Rule of Professional Conduct 1.5 and its underlying principles and also examine how customer service principles in bill preparation will help avoid ethical complaints and increase receipts.

**9:15 - 9:30 a.m.**

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**9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**

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**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

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**BREAKOUT 3: Prosecutorial Ethics**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1/1 Ethics

**Sponsored by the Criminal Law Section**

**Presented by:** Michael A. Blonigen, Jenny L. Craig and Hon. F. Scott Peasley

Are you ready for some legal ethics fun? Join us for a riveting panel discussion on the potential pitfalls and heightened professional standards for prosecutors. Our panel of speakers will dive deep into the ethical dilemmas faced by prosecutors and explore the nuances of upholding justice while remaining true to professional standards. From high-profile cases to everyday decisions, we will examine the tough calls prosecutors have to make and potential consequences to consider. Do not miss this chance to sharpen your ethical compass and engage in thought-provoking conversation.

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**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**BREAKOUT 1: Estate Planning and Charitable Giving (Part 3)**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

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**Presented by:** Barry Nickelsberg

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## **BREAKOUT 2: Asked and Answered: Avoiding Common Pitfalls in Trial Practice**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1/0.5 Ethics

**Presented by:** Brianne C. Phillips and Hannah D. West

Staff attorneys and law clerks see it all: the good, the bad and the downright ugly. As a result, they often have a lot to say—but usually can't! This program identifies the pitfalls district court staff attorneys observe most often in litigation, legal writing, courtroom decorum and case preparation. In addition, this program explores how staff attorneys and law clerks ethically can—and cannot—assist attorneys, helping you make the best use of court staff.

## **BREAKOUT 3: The Anatomy of a Grievance**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1/1 Ethics

**Presented by:** Mark W. Gifford

This 60-minute presentation by Bar Counsel Mark Gifford will include review of the history of lawyer regulation in Wyoming and the evolution of self-policing of the legal profession by the Wyoming State Bar. Discussion topics will include an explanation of the grievance process, the types of misconduct that most frequently lead to disciplinary sanctions and ways to stay out of ethical hot water.

## **12:00 - 1:20 p.m.**

### **Access to Justice Luncheon**

(open to all in-person registrants)

LOCATION: Hilton Garden Inn

**Presented by:** Hon. Lynne J. Boomgaarden, Hon. Catherine E. Wilking, Barry V. Crago and Walter Eggers

### **Working Together to Improve the System: Court Navigators and SRL Forms**

Wyoming courts are making Access to Justice a top priority. Toward this end, the Access to Justice Commission, now a standing committee of the Wyoming Judicial Council, and its innovation-focused, multi-stakeholder subcommittee—ATJ 2.0—have worked hard this past year to advance two important Wyoming Judicial Branch strategic plan objectives:

- Establish a court navigator program.
- Create and maintain standardized forms that are fillable or take the litigant through a guided interview process.

This interactive luncheon program will highlight those advancements from various perspectives and explore how the Wyoming State Bar can help.

## **1:30 - 2:30 p.m.**

### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### **BREAKOUT 1: Peaks and Pits of the Courtroom: The Biggest Mistakes Attorneys Make and How to Fix Them**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1/1 Ethics

#### **Sponsored by the Young Lawyer Section**

**Presented by:** Hon. Catherine M. Fox (Moderator), Hon. Shelley A. Cundiff, Hon. Nathaniel S. Hibben, Hon. Melissa M. Owens and Hon. Steven K. Sharpe

We've all heard the advice, "be prepared," but what does that mean when it comes to the courtroom? Knowing how to interact with the Court, court staff and opposing counsel is one portion. Knowing the facts, procedural posture and law pertaining to your case is another. But how does all this fit together and other than knowing the basics of your case, what should new and experienced attorneys do to successfully drive their cases from beginning to end? Hear from a panel of practiced Wyoming trial court judges on how to navigate courtroom procedure and expectations and ultimately, get better results for your clients.

#### **BREAKOUT 2: Solomon Did NOT Cut the Baby in Half: Busting Myths So That We Can Best Decide When to Arbitrate and When to Litigate**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** James B. Hodge and Lance K. Tanaka

Misunderstandings about arbitration abound. How many times have you heard that arbitrators "just cut the baby in half?" Or that "arbitration limits the parties' ability to present important evidence?" Or that "there is no appeal from an arbitrator's decision?" We will clear up many of the misconceptions surrounding arbitration and then objectively explore actual pros and cons of each, so that you and your clients can make better decisions about which disputes to arbitrate and which to litigate.

### **BREAKOUT 3: Got ChatGPT? Generative AI, GPT, LLMs and the Legal Data-Driven Revolution**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Damien Riehl

Artificial intelligence tools like ChatGPT, GPT-4 and other Large Language Models (LLMs) are transforming the legal profession. And rapidly: GPT-4 not only passed the bar exam, but it also beat 90% of humans. This discussion—led by litigator, coder and AI-builder Damien Riehl—will explore how AI is already transforming litigation practice, as well as ways that the judiciary might utilize AI to better administer justice.

**2:30 - 2:45 p.m.**

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**2:45 - 3:45 p.m.**

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#### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

##### **BREAKOUT 1: Exploring Legal Research with Fastcase**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

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**Presented by:** Lisa Smith-Crissey

All members have free, unlimited access to Fastcase. Learn how to improve the speed and efficiency of your legal research by learning Fastcase. This presentation will cover how to search, browse, share and save documents inside of Fastcase's vast legal library. Explore how Fastcase's research tools can be utilized to save time and resources—allowing users to redirect their focus to client success.

##### **BREAKOUT 2: Criminal Law Update**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Robin S. Cooper and Jenny L. Craig

It's been a busy year in the realm of criminal law, with cases spanning a variety of topics including the Covid-19 pandemic, the Fourth Amendment, sentencing discretion, the Fifth Amendment and self-defense. Get up to speed on all the major developments in criminal law with an update on recent opinions from the Wyoming Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court.

### **BREAKOUT 3: Voting in the Virtual Age: How We Are Heard and Seen in the Time of Big Data**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Sponsored by the Federal Bar Section**

**Presented by:** Tara B. Nethercott and Douglas M. Spencer

This presentation will examine how voting was intended to serve as the individual's vehicle to be seen and heard politically. When a voter does not feel heard, studies have shown he may feel alienated from the political system. Political alienation can lead to detachment from the political process and, in extreme cases, to political violence. The current state of voting in America can be viewed from the voter's perspective but must be colored by the environment in which our political beliefs are formed and reinforced. More and more, that environment is online. Where social media is designed as an echo chamber and wielded as a weapon by campaigns, is your vote truly sacred?

**3:45 - 4:00 p.m.**

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

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#### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

##### **BREAKOUT 1: Software Update: The Latest in AI**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1/0.5 Ethics

**Presented by:** Jared D. Correia, Josh Noffke and Brent R. Rhodes

And it is: you're very perceptive. But the thing about artificial intelligence is that it's changing every day, on the path to eventual world conquest.

Though, don't worry for the time being. AI remains largely an assistive technology, in that it can assist business owners to streamline their processes and save time. And guess what? You're probably using it in some of your existing software without even knowing it.

In this robust technology panel program, we'll review the latest and greatest in artificial intelligence as it relates to lawyers and LegalTech. We'll go live with AI tools and talk about the use cases for law firms that you know about, as

well as some that will totally blow your mind. Of course, we will discuss the cons too. We will also deliver to you the recipes necessary to avoid taking missteps. Neither will we be shy about naming names in terms of the products and services you should check out, as well as their relative values. We have even brought on a real-life ethics attorney, so we can get answers about potential professional (mis)conduct sticking points.

What will AI look like for lawyers on September 7, 2023? Guess you're going to have to join us to find out.

### **BREAKOUT 2: Civil Law Update**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

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**Presented by:** Anna M. Reeves Olson

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### **BREAKOUT 3: Access to Court Records: What You Need to Know and Why**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Benjamin M. Burningham and Elisa M. Butler

Navigating the dizzying array of court record rules and confidentiality statutes has never been easy. But technological advances within the courts present an opportunity to streamline these requirements. This program summarizes recent efforts to modernize redaction and access rules. Attend this program to learn how updated rules will establish a centralized and comprehensive framework for case record access and protection.

**6:00 p.m.**

### **Pre-Banquet Cocktail Party**

**7:00 p.m.**

### **2023 Annual Banquet**

(open to all in-person registrants)

LOCATION: Hilton Garden Inn

**Keynote Speaker:** Lanny J. Davis

### **The Rules of Crisis Management in Business, Politics and Life: The Only Rules in Washington D.C. That are 100% Non-Partisan**

When is it appropriate to say, "No comment," as an attorney in the middle of tough litigation? Where the media almost always gets it wrong and you don't want to prejudice the judge and maybe the jury?

Lanny Davis, a veteran litigator and attorney for over 50 years, but also a media expert as an attorney, has an answer other than, "Always say no comment." He will give you the answer and many other war stories from the Clinton White House to Martha Stewart to Michael Cohen as part of his unique combination of law practice and media in support of same—under attorney-client privilege until he talks to media.

## **50- & 60-Year Recognitions**

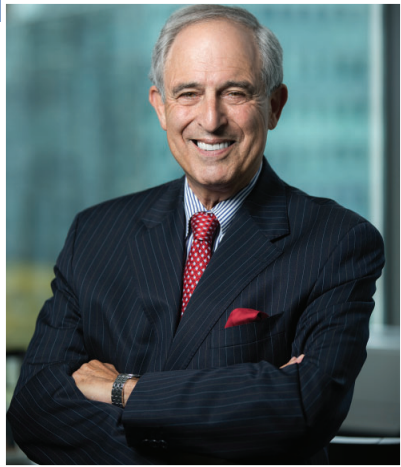
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## 2023 Annual Banquet

Thursday, September 7, 2023

Hilton Garden Inn

2229 Grand Avenue

Laramie, Wyoming

Cocktails @ 6:00 p.m.

Dinner @ 7:00 p.m.

Lanny Davis is cofounder and partner of the law firm of Davis Goldberg & Galper PLLC, and cofounder and partner of the public relations firm Trident DMG. Lanny J. Davis is a lawyer, crisis manager, consultant, author, and television commentator providing strategic counsel to clients under scrutiny on crisis management and legal issues by combining legal, media and political strategies. He develops and manages communications programs around litigation and crises to protect brand reputations. He is often called to serve as on camera spokesperson on behalf of an individual or corporation.

Lanny represents individuals, countries, and companies in high stakes global crises, litigation, government investigations and crisis management. He has conceived, created and led media strategies for clients that have included CEOs, sports celebrities, political leaders, world leaders, and both U.S. and international companies. He has handled the cases of public figures from Martha Stewart to Dan Snyder, companies from Whole Foods to Starbucks, and political figures from President Bill Clinton to Representative Charlie Rangel.

Although a Democrat, Lanny has friends on both sides of the aisle. During the Clinton administration, Lanny served as special counsel to President Bill Clinton and was a spokesperson for the president and the White House on matters concerning campaign finance investigations and other legal issues. In 2005 President George W. Bush appointed Lanny to serve on the five-member Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, created by the U.S. Congress as part of the 2005 Intelligence Reform Act. In that capacity, he received the highest level security clearances so that he could be fully briefed and "read in" to the various anti-terrorist surveillance and financial tracking programs at the highest classified level.

For 25 years prior to 1996, before his tenure as special counsel to President Clinton, Lanny was a commercial, antitrust, government contracts and False Claims Act litigator (both in defense as well as plaintiff). He has argued numerous appellate cases in the U.S. courts of appeals. He has experi-

ence in securities fraud and SEC investigations as well, and has found that utilizing such an integrated legal/media/lobbying approach can lead to quicker and less expensive settlements or even successfully litigated outcomes. Senior officials of public companies have also hired Lanny and his crisis group to defend themselves successfully against "short and distort" attacks and other market manipulations.

Lanny has participated in national, state and local politics for almost 30 years. He has served three terms (1980 to 1992) on the Democratic National Committee representing the state of Maryland, and during that period he served on the DNC Executive Committee and as chairman of the Eastern Region Caucus. In Montgomery County, Maryland, he served as chairman of the Washington Suburban Transit Commission.

Lanny has authored several books and lectured throughout the U.S. and Europe on various political issues: "Scandal: How "Gotcha" Politics Is Destroying America," and "Truth To Tell: Tell It Early, Tell It All, Tell It Yourself: Notes from My White House Education." His latest book, "Crisis Tales – Five Rules for Handling Scandal in Business, Politics and Life," was published by Simon & Schuster in 2013.

Lanny graduated from Yale Law School, where he won the prestigious Thurman Arnold Moot Court prize and served on the Yale Law Journal. A graduate of Yale University, he served as chairman of the Yale Daily News. Lanny is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia and Connecticut and before the Supreme Court of the United States and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

He has been a regular television commentator and has been a political and legal analyst for MSNBC, CNN, CNBC and network TV news programs and has published numerous op-ed/ analysis pieces in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Washington Post and other national publications. He has a "Purple Nation" column that appears regularly in The Hill, The Huffington Post, FoxNews.com, The Daily Caller, and Newsmax. He can be followed on Twitter @LannyDavis.

# Friday, September 8th

**6:30 a.m.**

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## **Yoga for Lawyers**

LOCATION: Hilton Garden Inn Salon F  
CLE: 1/0.5 Ethics

**Presented by:** Devon P. O'Connell

The practice of law is a challenging and stressful profession. Intense study in law school, competition in our field, high-stakes negotiations, long working hours, high burnout, adversarial colleagues, pressures to bill more hours...all add to the stress of our profession.

Lawyers are not alone in their high-stress profession. Certainly, doctors, dentists, accountants, etc. have stressful occupations. "However, when the surgeon goes into the surgical suite to perform his surgery, they don't send another physician in to try to kill the patient." (Why are lawyers killing themselves? CNN US, www.cnn.com, January 20, 2014.) Ours is an adversarial system, adding to an already pressured occupation.

Lawyers suffer from stress, anxiety, depression, lack of time, lack of breathing properly, client demands and struggles, hours of sitting at a desk hunched over a computer, hours of toiling at counsel table, along with the pressures of running a small business. Living life in a small-town fishbowl can also lead lawyers down the path of severe depression, anger issues, substance abuse, divorce and professional ethical and malpractice concerns.

Yoga can help alleviate or reduce all the above issues and assist in upholding our ethical obligations to our clients. Devon has designed a flow that not only earns you .5 of your ethics credits but sets you on the road to establishing a foundational yoga practice including movement, breath and mind-clearing exercises. Devon will be instructing class in a safe, socially distanced environment for all levels of the yoga practitioner (even novices).

**8:15 - 9:15 a.m.**

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## **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

### **BREAKOUT 1: Supported Decision-Making in Wyoming: Cases, Research and Ethics**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1/0.5 Ethics

### **Sponsored by the Estate Planning, Elder Law, Trust and Probate Section**

**Presented by:** Melissa R. Theriault

This session will introduce the audience to the theory and practice of Supported Decision-Making (SDM). When people with disabilities use SDM, they work with friends, family and professionals so they can understand their choices and make their own decisions without the need for a guardian.

Attendees will learn how SDM is consistent with Wyoming law and ethical requirements as well as how it is being implemented in Wyoming as an alternative to guardianship and a way to have their guardianship terminated.

Attendees will also learn about projects supported by the Wyoming Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities to conduct research into the use of guardianship and alternatives throughout Wyoming including whether Wyoming attorneys and courts are complying with state legal requirements.

### **BREAKOUT 2: Addressing Burnout, Mental Health and Suicide Risk: Results of the ISP Questionnaire**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1/1 Ethics

**Presented by:** John Ordiway

The Wyoming Professional Assistance Program in partnership with the Foundation for Suicide Prevention sent out the Interactive Screening Program (ISP) questionnaire to all licensed attorneys. This talk will examine what areas are most pressing in Wyoming for attorney mental health and suicide risk. We will also explore strategies to improve coping with the challenges Wyoming attorneys are facing.

### **BREAKOUT 3: Essential Law Office Technology: Key Technologies and Services**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Barron K. Henley

Technology advances quickly and it's not easy (or impossible) to keep up with it while also trying to practice law and manage a practice. This seminar will define and explain the technologies that can help any lawyer solve problems, improve client service and make life easier. Learn about the essential software, hardware and services that can help you protect client confidentiality, organize case information, manage your practice more efficiently and improve profitability.

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### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### **BREAKOUT 1: How to Avoid QDRO Malpractice: Strategy and Liability for the Family Law Attorney**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Raymond S. Dietrich

Most family law attorneys treat retirement plan division like the toaster. Don't follow the herd. Be proactive and secure your client's benefits at divorce, not later. Unknown to most, time is of the essence when dividing retirement benefits. That means, in most cases, benefits are at risk at divorce. Securing retirement benefits, post-decree, is dangerous for both the client and practitioner. This course will help you reduce your malpractice liability and alert you to potential pitfalls when dividing retirement benefits in divorce.

### **BREAKOUT 2: Anatomy of a Wyoming Appeal**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons B & C  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Hon. Michael K. Davis (Ret.) and Tyler J. Garrett

Appealing a case to the Wyoming Supreme Court is not terribly complicated, but the rules are technical and oft amended. Consequently, mistakes inevitably occur. This one-hour presentation provides a helpful reference for civil practitioners to properly follow procedure and allow substance to win the day. The overall aim is to give guidance on procedure, share helpful hints in drafting a successful appellate brief and reveal insight on effective oral arguments.

### **BREAKOUT 3: 2023's Best Legal Tech Tips, Tricks, Services, Gadgets and Websites**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Barron K. Henley

Lawyers could benefit from learning about the best of legal technology, practice management, electronics, services and incredibly useful websites for lawyers. This rapid-fire hour is full of great ideas you can immediately incorporate into your practice. We'll cover artificial intelligence legal document editing software, tips for improving your web-meeting game, digital signature platforms (demonstrated), cybersecurity tips and services, home office equipment recommendations and many other practice management tips, tricks and technologies.

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**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**BREAKOUT 1: Driving Under the Influence and Noncitizen Defendants: Understanding Your Duty as Defense Counsel**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Travis J. Helm

Non-citizens who receive a DUI charge are not just at risk of losing their driver's license and job; they could lose the right to reside in this country and be separated from their U.S. citizen spouses and children. Wyoming criminal defense attorneys are held to the "reasoned and thoughtful discourse" standard when advising noncitizen clients of the potential immigration consequences of pleading to a criminal charge. *Ortega-Araiza v. Wyoming*, 331 P.3d 1189 (Wyo. 2014)

The immigration consequences of a DUI will necessarily require individualized analysis of the defendant's current immigration status, their family connections here in the United States, any previous criminal history and potential future immigration status benefits eligibility. This presentation will outline the general factors that an attorney needs to consider for an analysis of immigration consequences of a DUI and will provide hypothetical examples of how a DUI conviction has varying consequences for individual noncitizen defendants.

**BREAKOUT 2: Civil Law Update**

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**Presented by:** Anna M. Reeves Olson

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**BREAKOUT 3: Microsoft Word Power Tips for Legal Users**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

**Presented by:** Barron K. Henley

Due to the complex formatting often required with legal documents, most users find Microsoft Word to be a constant source of frustration. It's the primary tool used to produce work products, yet many feel it works against them. Adding to the frustration is the fact that most of the techniques and features necessary to control complex formatting are simply concealed. Using Word and "clicking around" provides little improvement and no insight. This seminar is specifically designed to address those realities. We'll show you exactly how to fix the common legal drafting problems plaguing you now and avoid them in the future. You'll learn dozens of tips and techniques you can put into practice immediately. Even if you feel you have Word under control, we guarantee you will learn new things about Word throughout this class.

**12:00 - 1:20 p.m.**

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**Annual Business Meeting Luncheon**

(open to all in-person registrants)

LOCATION: Hilton Garden Inn

Keep abreast of the latest developments in Wyoming's legal community. Join Chief Justice Kate M. Fox, Wyoming Supreme Court; Christopher Hawks, Wyoming State Bar President; Klint Alexander, Dean of the University of Wyoming College of Law; and Kelly M. Neville, Treasurer of the Wyoming State Bar, as they each provide an update from their respective organizations. Also hear from Wyoming State Bar Delegate to the ABA, Dona Playton, and learn of recent developments at the American Bar Association.

**1:30 - 3:45 p.m.**

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**PLENARY: Tech Ready: Building Your Approach to Data and Technology**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salons A-D  
CLE: 2/2 Ethics

**Presented by:** Bobby R. Williams

It's nearly a guarantee that data will impact your cases. In the world of eDiscovery and data science, many worry about leaving data on the table. It's a legitimate concern, as both the data you ignore could be just as important as the data you consider. In this session, we will help legal professionals demystify technology and provide a pathway to



better utilize data in matters. One does not need to be a tech expert to be technologically competent. Solutions can be found with a shift in perspective, a better approach and some practical adjustments. A little confidence can take you a long way...technically speaking.

**3:45 - 4:00 p.m.**

**Break**

Take this opportunity to grab a hot or cold beverage, visit the exhibitors and see the products and services they can provide to help you grow your business.

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

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**BREAKOUT 1: Exploring Legal Research with Fastcase**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon A  
CLE: 1

Presented by: Lisa Smith-Crissey

All members have free, unlimited access to Fastcase. Learn how to improve the speed and efficiency of your legal research by learning Fastcase. This presentation will cover how to search, browse, share and save documents inside of Fastcase's vast legal library. Explore how Fastcase's research tools can be utilized to save time and resources—allowing users to redirect their focus to client success.

**BREAKOUT 2: Guardianship & Conservatorship Boot Camp: Everything You Need in Your Toolbox**

LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon B & C  
CLE: 1

Presented by: Molly H. Dearing

Developing competence in guardianship and conservatorship law is important for every practitioner. This course will help you handle your next guardianship and conservatorship efficiently and with confidence. The program will begin with identifying common circumstances necessitating a guardianship and conservatorship and analyze what types of guardianships and conservatorships will best meet the needs of a client. The course will then move on to address helpful drafting tips and checklists, identify common practice pitfalls and will provide practice pointers for handling contested proceedings. Finally, this program will conclude with a checklist for advising your clients of their ongoing duties and obligations.



**BREAKOUT 3: Title 25 – Emergency Detentions & Involuntary Hospitalizations: The Peculiar Review of Hospitalizations of Mentally Ill Persons**

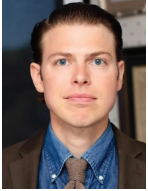
LOCATION: Gateway Center Salon D  
CLE: 1

Presented by: Rendy S. Lemke and Marci H. Linde

Wyoming's system of care and involuntary treatment for mental health is established in W.S. 25-10-109 and 25-10-110 (commonly referred to as Title 25 proceedings). With a sharp increase in civil involuntary commitments over the last few years, there is a need in Wyoming for more attorneys to represent patients in these proceedings.

This course will explain the Title 25 involuntary commitment process and go through tips and a sample interview of the patient, discuss special issues that may arise, explain the patient's rights and discuss options for patients under this statute.

# Speaker Biographies



**Alex R. Berger**  
**307 Law Office**  
**Gillette, Wyoming**

Alex Berger began practicing both bankruptcy and family law in Gillette, Wyoming, in 2015. Now he and his law partner, Anthony Toscana, operate 307 Bankruptcy focusing exclusively on consumer bankruptcy in northern Wyoming and western South Dakota. Alex is licensed in Wyoming, Iowa, Michigan and various federal courts.



**Michael A. Blonigen**  
**Casper, Wyoming**

Mike Blonigen is a 1980 graduate of the University of Wyoming and a 1983 graduate of the University of Wyoming College of Law. He served as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Wyoming from 1983-1985. From 1985 to 2003 he served as an Assistant District Attorney for the Seventh Judicial District in Casper, Wyoming. From 1999-2003, he served as Special Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming. From 2000 to 2003 he served as one of eight assistant district attorneys in the United States on the Board of Directors of the National District Attorneys Association. He served as a full member of the same board from October 2010 to January 2019. In 2003 he was appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of District Attorney for the Seventh Judicial District. He was elected in 2004 to fill the unexpired term of his predecessor and was reelected in 2006, 2010 and 2014. He previously served as President of the Wyoming County and Prosecuting Attorneys Association and has been a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers since 2011. Blonigen retired from the position of District Attorney in January 2019. After a brief time acting as special counsel in criminal matters for various Wyoming counties, he returned to the Office of the District Attorney as an Assistant District Attorney and Special Assistant United States Attorney in November 2019 and again retired in April 2022. He has subsequently acted as a special prosecutor and as an expert witness in the area of prosecution practices. He has tried over 200 jury trials including four murder cases 15 years older or more. He has lectured or taught for a number of entities including the National Advocacy Center, the National District Attorneys Association, the International Association of Arson Investigators, the Wyoming County and Prosecuting Attorneys' Association, the Wyoming State Bar, the University of Wyoming and numerous local and state

law enforcement agencies. Blonigen's teaching touched on all aspects of trial work including pretrial and trial. This includes the special duties of prosecutors and prosecutorial misconduct and other ethical issues.



**Hon. Lynne J. Boomgaarden**  
**Wyoming Supreme Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Hon. Lynne J. Boomgaarden has served on the Wyoming Supreme Court and chaired the Wyoming Access to Justice Commission since 2018. Prior to joining the court, Justice Boomgaarden was in private practice; served as Director, Office of State Lands and Investments; was an Assistant Professor at the University of Wyoming College of Law; and clerked for the Honorable Wade Brorby on the U.S. Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. Justice Boomgaarden is a Wyoming native, wife, mother, Nana, horsewoman, and all-around outdoor enthusiast.



**Lacey S. Bryan**  
**Markus Williams Young**  
**& Hunsicker LLC**  
**Denver, Colorado**

Lacey S. Bryan is an attorney with Markus Williams Young & Hunsicker LLC. Lacey's practice is focused on complex bankruptcy litigation, and she represents clients in all phases of insolvency and restructuring, including debtors, creditors and trustees in Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 bankruptcies. Lacey previously clerked for Judge Michael E. Romero of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Colorado and was the staff attorney for the Chapter 13 Trustee for the Northern District of Oklahoma.



**Benjamin M. Burningham**  
**Wyoming Chancery Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Ben Burningham is Chief Legal Officer for the Administrative Office of the Court. In that role, he provides legal counsel and services to the Wyoming Judicial Branch. He also directs the Chancery Court. Before joining the branch, Ben served as Chief of the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Unit at the Wyoming Attorney General's Office. And before that, he worked on securities litigation for the DC-based law firm, Kellogg Hansen. Ben

graduated from George Washington University Law School with honors.



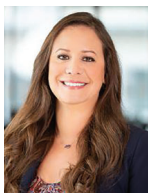
**Elisa M. Butler**  
**Wyoming Supreme Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Elisa Butler is the State Court Administrator for the Wyoming Judicial Branch where she oversees administrative support for the courts throughout the state. She has worked in the Administrative Office of the Courts since 2016 and prior to that, clerked for Chief Justice Kate Fox. She earned her bachelor's and law degrees from the University of Wyoming and began her law career clerking for Judge Clarence Brimmer in the U.S. District Court in Cheyenne. She worked in private practice in Laramie at the law office of Brown & Hiser before she began at the Supreme Court. In her free time, Elisa enjoys spending time in the mountains with her husband and two young daughters.



**Hon. Thomas T.C. Campbell**  
**First Judicial District Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

After serving in the United States Navy from 1972-1976 Judge Campbell received his bachelor's degree from the University of Denver in 1980 and his Juris Doctor from the University of Wyoming in 1983. He was a Deputy Carbon County Attorney from 1983 to 1990 when he was elected Carbon County and Prosecuting Attorney. After being reelected in 1994 and 1998, Governor Geringer appointed him to the Circuit Court in Cheyenne in 2001 and Governor Freudenthal ultimately appointed him to the District Court in the First Judicial District in 2009 where he continues to serve today.



**Samantha Carl-Yoder**  
**Brownstein Hyatt Farber**  
**Schreck, LLP**  
**Washington, DC**

Samantha Carl-Yoder is the co-chair of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP's international practice. She draws on her nearly 20 years of service at the U.S. State Department, working in both Washington, D.C., and embassies across the world to build strategic partnerships for companies expanding domestically and overseas. Her sophisticated understanding of foreign policy and deep relationships with sovereign governments, third-party institutions and global media organizations is used to solve problems that require a multidisciplinary approach. She successfully shepherds companies into new markets, devel-

ops bilateral partnerships and manages senior relationships with dignitaries for multinational clients.



**Hon. Jason M. Conder**  
**Ninth Judicial District Court**  
**Lander, Wyoming**

Hon. Jason M. Conder is a District Court Judge in the ninth Judicial District Court and has been serving since 2019. From 2005-2019, Judge Conder served as Assistant U.S. Attorney. Prior to that, from 2003-2005 Judge Conder was a Deputy County Attorney in Uinta County, Wyoming. From 2002-2003, Judge Conder served as a Law Clerk for the Honorable Terrance L. O'Brien, 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, and from 2001-2002, Judge Conder served as a Law Clerk for the Honorable Clarence A. Brimmer, U.S. District Court Judge.



**Robin S. Cooper**  
**Wyoming Public Defender's**  
**Office**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Robin Cooper is a Senior Assistant Appellate Counsel with the Wyoming Public Defender's Office. She is a graduate of the University of Wyoming College of Law. Robin has over 15 years' experience in criminal defense with the Public Defender's Office with the most recent five years in the appellate division. When not at work, Robin volunteers at the Wyoming State Museum, travels and spends time with cats and dogs, which includes her two deaf Old English Sheepdogs, Baskerville and Guinevere.



**Jared D. Correia**  
**Red Cave Law Firm Consulting**  
**Boston, Massachusetts**

Jared D. Correia, Esq. is the CEO of Red Cave Law Firm Consulting and the COO of Gideon Software. Red Cave offers subscription-based law firm business management consulting for law firms and bar associations. Gideon provides end-to-end intake solutions for high-volume law firms, with included document assembly and esignature features. Correia is a former practicing attorney. He is an internationally recognized legal technology expert and frequent speaker for legal organizations. Find out more at [www.redcavelegal.com](http://www.redcavelegal.com) and [www.gideonlegal.com](http://www.gideonlegal.com).



**Barry V. Crago**  
**Crago Law Offices, PC**  
**Buffalo, Wyoming**

Barry V. Crago is a member of the Wyoming House of Representatives representing House District 40 including Johnson and Sheridan Counties. Representative Crago is a rancher and an attorney in private practice and working as the Civil Deputy Johnson County Attorney. He was first elected to the House in November 2020 and was reelected for a second term in November 2022. Representative Crago serves on the House Judiciary Committee and other House and Select Committees of the Legislature. The Wyoming Business Alliance named Representative Crago the "Legislator of the Year" for 2023.



**Jenny L. Craig**  
**Wyoming Attorney General's Office**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Jenny Craig is the Deputy Attorney General for the Criminal Division at the Wyoming Attorney General's Office. She is a graduate of the University of Wyoming College of Law and began her career clerking for the Honorable William C. Beaman. While she spent some time in private practice and served as a staff attorney for the Honorable Barton R. Voigt and the Honorable Keith Kautz at the Wyoming Supreme Court, the majority of her career has been with the Attorney General's Office. Jenny handles criminal appeals to the Wyoming and U.S. Supreme Courts, post-conviction relief actions and federal habeas corpus litigation.



**Hon. Shelley A. Cundiff**  
**Fourth Judicial District Circuit Court**  
**Sheridan, Wyoming**

Shelley A. Cundiff was appointed by Governor Matt Mead to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge John Sampson. Judge Cundiff was sworn into office January 2, 2013. She received her B.S and M.S. from Oklahoma State University in 1981 and 1983, respectively. She received her J.D. from the University of Tulsa Law School in 1989. She began her career with Legal Services of Eastern Oklahoma followed by private practice with the firm of Waren and Cundiff in Poteau, Oklahoma, from 1993 to 2003. Her solo law practice was located in Dayton, Wyoming, from 2003 until her appointment to the Fourth Judicial District Circuit Court.



**Hon. Michael K. Davis (Ret.)**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Hon. Michael K. Davis is a former justice of the Wyoming Supreme Court, serving from 2012 to 2022. Before serving on the Wyoming Supreme Court, Justice Davis served as a district court judge on the First Judicial District Court in Laramie County, Wyoming. From 1980 to 2008, he was in private practice at Yonkee and Toner. Justice Davis was inducted as a fellow into the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2005, became a judicial fellow upon taking the bench and is currently an emeritus fellow.



**Molly H. Dearing**  
**Jackson, Wyoming**

Molly Dearing serves as Staff Attorney for the Hon. Melissa Owens in the Ninth Judicial District Court of Teton County, Wyoming. Molly graduated from Santa Clara University with honors and attended law school at the University of Montana. During law school, Molly was a Managing Editor of the Montana Law Review and externed for U.S. District Court Judge Donald Molloy. Before working with the District Court, Molly's practice included insurance defense, civil litigation and family law that incorporated volunteering many hours of reduced fee and pro bono services to Access to Justice and work as a guardian ad litem.



**Mark Dennis**  
**SL Biggs**  
**Denver, Colorado**

Mark Dennis has extensive experience providing tax consulting and preparation services to individuals, partnerships and corporations. In addition, Mark provides forensic accounting and litigation support services to bankruptcy trustees, attorneys and debtors. Mark has been admitted and testified as an expert in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court and has been appointed by the U.S. Department of Justice as a Subchapter V Trustee for Region 19 (Colorado and Wyoming).



**Raymond S. Dietrich**  
**Raymond S. Dietrich, PLC**  
**Phoenix, Arizona**

Raymond S. Dietrich manages a multi-jurisdictional law practice specializing in the drafting and litigation of Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (“QDROs”), military retired pay orders, disability waivers and related retirement plan issues. Mr. Dietrich has created a unique niche law practice that specializes in an area of law that is notoriously mishandled. Mr. Dietrich is licensed and actively practices law in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Wyoming, Florida, District of Columbia and Virginia. Mr. Dietrich is the author of *Qualified Domestic Relations Orders: Strategy and Liability for the Family Law Attorney* (Copyright © 2022 LexisNexis).



**Angie M. Dorsch**  
**Equal Justice Wyoming**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Angie Dorsch is the Executive Director of Equal Justice Wyoming. Angie attended law school at Texas Tech University School of Law where she completed a joint degree program. She was awarded a JD with honors and an MS in financial planning in December 2004. She also received her MBA from Texas Tech University Rawls College of Business in 2008. Angie practiced with the nonprofit firm Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas from 2005 until beginning her employment with Equal Justice Wyoming in 2012.



**Walter F. Eggers**  
**Holland & Hart, LLP**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Walter Eggers has been a member of Wyoming’s Access to Justice Commission since 2009. He has served on the Boards of Equal Justice Wyoming and the EJW Foundation. Walter is a partner with Holland & Hart LLP in the firm’s Cheyenne office.



**Geneva K. Engelhart**  
**Engelhart Law LLC**  
**Casper, Wyoming**

Geneva Engelhart graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law in 2011. She opened Engelhart Law LLC in January of 2019. Her areas of practice are bankruptcy and family Law. Prior to starting Engelhart Law, Geneva worked at Legal Aid of Wyoming

from 2012-2018, where she practiced a wide variety of civil law areas, including bankruptcy and family law. In her free time, she enjoys running and is the President of the Casper Windy City Striders Running Club since 2019.



**Abigail E. Fournier**  
**Steiner, Fournier & Zook, LLC**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Abigail Fournier is a Cheyenne, Wyoming, native. She attended college and law school at the University of Wyoming. She practiced law in Seattle before joining a firm in Cheyenne where she is now managing partner, Steiner, Fournier & Zook, LLC. Abby practices primarily family law and serves as guardian ad litem for children in divorce cases, paternity actions and custody modifications. She currently lives in Laramie with her husband, Matt, twin four-year-olds, Winnie and Clara and their dogs, Wally and Lulu.



**Hon. Kate Fox**  
**Wyoming Supreme Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Justice Kate M. Fox was appointed to the Wyoming Supreme Court by Governor Matt Mead on January 24, 2014. Prior to her appointment, Justice Fox was in private practice with Davis & Cannon, LLP. She joined the firm after serving for one year as a law clerk to Federal District Court Judge Clarence A. Brimmer. She received her J.D. with honors from the University of Wyoming College of Law and her B.A. (with a degree in journalism) with honors from the University of Wyoming.

After completing high school in the East, Justice Fox worked on her family’s dude ranch near Dubois, Wyoming, edited a small-town newspaper and a restaurant magazine and was a ski bum for several years before going to law school. She graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law in 1989 at the top of her class, was Editor-in-Chief of the Land & Water Law Review and was inducted in the Order of the Coif.



**Tyler J. Garrett**  
**Hathaway & Kunz LLP**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Tyler Garrett is a partner at Hathaway & Kunz in Cheyenne, Wyoming, where his practice focuses on appeals. Tyler is currently the Wyoming State Chair for the ABA Council of Appellate Lawyers, which is the first and only national appellate bench-bar organization. For

four years, Tyler served as a staff attorney for Justice Michael K. Davis and Justice Barton Voigt of the Wyoming Supreme Court, during which time he drafted over 50 opinions. He also served as a law clerk to Judge Terrence L. O'Brien of the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Tyler is a Pegasus Scholar, having been selected by the Pegasus Scholarship Trust for a fellowship in the United Kingdom to study the English legal system. He has also been a professor at the University of Wyoming College of Law, where he taught legal writing.



**Mark W. Gifford**  
**Wyoming State Bar**  
**Office of Bar Counsel**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Mark W. Gifford is Bar Counsel for the Wyoming State Bar. He is a Wyoming native who received his Bachelor's in accounting from the University of Wyoming in 1978 and his law degree from Stanford University in 1981. After 30 years of practice as a trial lawyer and mediator, Mark took the position of Bar Counsel on a part-time basis in 2011 and became full-time in October 2013. He started the Ethics Hotline in 2014 and was instrumental in getting Wyoming's Lawyer Assistance Program launched the same year. He is a member of the ABA Standing Committee on Professional Regulation and was recently appointed to the ABA Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility. Gifford is a past recipient of the Gerald R. Mason Professionalism Award, an honor bestowed annually by the President of the Wyoming State Bar.



**Nathaniel Goddard**  
**Wyoming Supreme Court**  
**Court Technology Office**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Nathaniel Goddard has been with the Wyoming Judicial Branch since 2015 and currently leads the Branch's Information Technology (IT) Division as Chief Technology Officer. During his time with the Branch, Nathaniel oversaw IT operations which resulted in the modernization of the Branch's IT infrastructure and courtroom technology.



**Adam M. Goodman**  
**Chapter 13 Trustee, District of**  
**Colorado and Wyoming**  
**Denver, Colorado**

Adam Goodman is a Standing Chapter 13 Trustee for the Districts of Colorado and Wyoming. From 2003 to September 2017, he was a Standing Chapter 13 Trustee for the Northern District of Georgia. He began his legal career representing consumer and business debtors in Tampa, Florida. He then migrated to representing lending institutions and mortgage holders in foreclosure and bankruptcy matters throughout the state of Florida. Prior to his appointment, he served as a staff attorney for a Chapter 13 trustee. Adam is a graduate of Florida State University and South Texas College of Law.



**Travis J. Helm**  
**The Immigration Law Office**  
**of Travis Helm, LLC**  
**Laramie, Wyoming**

Travis Helm is the owner/attorney of The Law Office of Travis Helm, which practices almost exclusively in the field of federal immigration law. The federal immigration consequences of state criminal convictions are one such over-lapping area of Mr. Helm's practice. Travis has been practicing in this area of "crimmigration" for 10 years and regularly presents on these related topics.



**Barron K. Henley**  
**Affinity Consulting Group**  
**Columbus, Ohio**

Barron K. Henley, Esq. is one of the founding partners of Affinity Consulting Group, a legal technology consulting firm focused on automating and streamlining law firms and legal departments. He earned his B.S./B.A. (marketing and economics) and J.D. from The Ohio State University and is a member of the American, Ohio and Columbus Bar Associations and the Worthington Estate Planning Council. He is a Fellow of the College of Law Practice Management, a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, a member of the Ohio Supreme Court Commission on Technology and the Courts and a member of both the ABA Law Practice Management and the Real Property Trust and Estate Law ("RPTE") Sections and is Vice Chair of the Joint Law Practice Management Group. He's also a former member of RPTE Futures Task Force, a former Board Member for the ABA TECHSHOW and the former Chair of the Ohio State Bar Association Law Office Automation & Technology Com-

mittee. Mr. Henley heads Affinity's document assembly/automation and software training departments. Barron is also an expert in launching new law firms, overhauling existing firms and documenting and re-engineering law firm processes. Finally, Barron teaches continuing legal education (CLE) classes throughout the U.S. and Canada covering a wide variety of topics related to law practice management, technology and ethics.



**Hon. Nathaniel S. Hibben**  
**Circuit Court Eighth Judicial**  
**District**  
**Torrington, Wyoming**

Nathaniel Hibben is a Circuit Court judge in the Eighth Judicial District. He received his appointment to the bench from Governor Gordon in 2019. Before that, he was in private practice, served as a deputy county and prosecuting attorney and worked for the Wyoming Public Defenders Office. He and his family make their home in Goshen County.



**James B. Hodge**  
**Attorney at Law**  
**Wilson, Wyoming**

James ("Jake") Hodge is a lawyer living in Jackson Hole. He has practiced business, real estate and environmental law in California, Wyoming and neighboring states, for 30 years in a large firm in California and then for 20 years as a sole practitioner working from Jackson Hole. He has drafted, argued over and arbitrated and mediated pursuant to, a number of arbitrations. He is a trained mediator and arbitrator and serves on the American Arbitration Association's Panel of Neutrals.



**Bradley T. Hunsicker**  
**Markus Williams Young**  
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**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Brad Hunsicker is a member of Markus Williams Young & Hunsicker, LLC and manages the firm's Cheyenne, Wyoming, office. He concentrates his practice on sophisticated business and individual bankruptcies, bankruptcy appellate work, loan workouts and restructurings, creditors' rights, receiverships and commercial litigation. His experience includes broad representation of debtors/borrowers and lenders, particularly in the energy and agricultural sectors. In addition, his practice includes representation of court-appointed receivers, foreign representatives and bankruptcy trustees.



**Bailey B. Lazzari**  
**Lazzari Legal, LLC**  
**Lander, Wyoming**

Bailey Lazzari of Lazzari Legal, LLC has been providing private criminal defense representation throughout Wyoming since she graduated from the University of Wyoming Law School in 2017. She also serves as a contract public defender on the Wind River Indian Reservation and has handled hundreds of cases in and around Indian Country in tribal, state and federal jurisdictions. Throughout the years, she has learned that these cases provide their own set of unique rewards and challenges, including complex jurisdictional issues that could make or break a case.



**Rendy S. Lemke**  
**Lemke & Associates, LLC**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Rendy Lemke is the owner of Lemke & Associates, LLC, practicing civil and criminal law in Wyoming and Colorado. She is a graduate of the University of Wyoming.



**Marci H. Linde**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Marci Linde practices in Cheyenne primarily representing indigent criminal defendants. She has served as a special court commissioner for over 10 years in the First Judicial District. She is a graduate of the University of Wyoming.



**Thomas E. Lubnau**  
**Lubnau Law Office, PC**  
**Gillette, Wyoming**

Tom Lubnau II has engaged in the general practice of law in Gillette, Wyoming, since 1984. He is married to Rita Lubnau and has two adult children, Rachel and Thomas. He has served in various offices for the Wyoming State Bar including Chairman of the Continuing Legal Education Committee and Attorneys Assistance Committee, Commissioner, Vice President, President-Elect and President. He served ten years in the Wyoming Legislature including the offices of Speaker Pro Tempore, Majority Leader and Speaker of the House. He spent 21 years with the Campbell County Fire Department and was awarded the International Society of Fire Service Instructors Training Officer of the Year Award.



**Eang M. Man**  
**Man Law, LLC**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Eang Man is a sole practitioner and owner of the Man Law Firm, LLC in Cheyenne and her practice is primarily in criminal law. She was the DUI Treatment Court Magistrate for the Laramie County Circuit Court, has experience as a Hearing Examiner for the Office of Administrative Hearings and a senior assistant Public Defender in Wyoming. Eang also was a guardian ad litem for the Office of Child Representative and a deputy Public Defender for the State of Colorado. Eang graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law in 2007 and received her BA in Economics and a minor in Asian Studies from the Colorado College.



**Melody L. McCoy**  
**Native American Rights Fund**  
**Boulder, Colorado**

Melody McCoy is a Native American Rights Fund (NARF) Staff Attorney since 1986, Melody's practice areas have included jurisdiction in Indian country, tribal rights in education, tribal trust funds and tribal intellectual property rights. She served on NARF's Litigation Management Committee from 1992-1995 and 2007-2019. Since 2022 she has been the lead NARF attorney on the Tribal Supreme Court Project, a joint project of NARF and the National Congress of American Indians. Melody has practiced before all levels of tribal, state and federal courts and argued a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. Melody is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation. Harvard University (B.A., 1981); University of Michigan (J.D., 1986).



**Tara B. Nethercott**  
**Crowley Fleck, PLLP**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Tara B. Nethercott serves her community and State with distinction as a Wyoming Senator and practicing attorney in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Nethercott graduated from the UW Law School and upon graduation, began private practice operating a small business for over a decade. She currently practices with the oldest and largest law firms in the region - Crowley Fleck. In 2022, Nethercott was awarded legislator of the year by the Wyoming Business Alliance, she received the same award in 2021 by the Wyoming County Commissioner's Association. She is a graduate of the Council of State Governments Western Leadership Academy, Leadership Wyoming and Leadership Cheyenne. Nethercott was elected in 2016. She was the Senate Judi-

ciary Committee Chairman for the last 4 years and is the current chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Nethercott also served for 6 years on the corporations and elections committee, overseeing the state's elections laws.



**Barry Nickelsberg**  
**The Carter Center**  
**Atlanta, Georgia**

For the past five decades, Barry Nickelsberg has been helping organizations in the non-profit sector to raise money. From special events and direct mail to 1:1 solicitation, Barry has focused on how best to cultivate philanthropy. Throughout his professional career, Barry has analyzed what motivates someone to be philanthropic—it must be a win for the donor, the family and the nonprofit beneficiary. Barry has written two books on fundraising (for nonprofits) and countless articles in various trade publications. Barry twice chaired the World Congress on Philanthropy and hosted a three-part series on fundraising in America for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and then for National Public Radio. For the past 14 years, Barry has been Chief Development Officer for Estate & Gift Planning at The Carter Center in Atlanta, Georgia. He has found that the doors to prospective philanthropists are often through their Estate Planning attorney. Barry will inspire us to have a conversation with our clients about charitable giving that is a win for clients, their families and the nonprofits to which they give.



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**Birmingham, Michigan**

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As the owner and operator of Noffke Law, his clients benefit from his expertise in transactional law, intellectual property, data privacy, and AI. Brass Tacks GC, a strategic consulting outfit, helps businesses to simplify, amplify, and elevate their legal and business operations, and provides its clients with innovative solutions aimed at optimizing the utilization and monetization of their valuable "know-how." To learn more, visit [www.noffkelaw.com](http://www.noffkelaw.com) and [www.brasstacksgc.com](http://www.brasstacksgc.com).





**Devon P. O'Connell**  
**Pence and MacMillan LLC**  
**Laramie, Wyoming**

Devon O'Connell, member at Pence and Mac-Millan LLC in Laramie, was a broadcast journalist in her life before law school, working for Wyoming Public Radio and KTWO Television. She graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law with Honors in 2000. Her over 20 years of practice has focused on mediation, civil litigation, civil practice, family law and personal injury. She is a certified mediator, receiving her certification from CDR Associates in Boulder. She completed Advanced Mediation Training: Mediating Complex Disputes at the Harvard Law School Program on Negotiation in 2017. Devon was recently the 100th president of the Wyoming State Bar and was also president of the Wyoming Trial Lawyers Association. Devon is an RYT 500 certified yoga instructor with over ten years of experience teaching yoga to public classes and at legal conferences and to legal groups. She has taught yoga to lawyers at the Bar Convention and WTLA Convention for nearly ten years. She is the owner of WyoShoeGirl Yoga LLC and occasionally teaches classes in Laramie.



**Ember A. Oakley**  
**Fremont County Attorney's Office**  
**Riverton, Wyoming**

Ember Oakley serves as the Assistant County Attorney in Fremont County. She graduated *Magna Cum Laude* from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness and later graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law. She also serves in the Wyoming Legislature, representing Riverton in House District 55. In that capacity, she is the current co-chairman of the Select Committee on Tribal Relations.



**Anna M. Reeves Olson**  
**Long Reimer Winegar LLP**  
**Casper, Wyoming**

Anna Olson is Special Counsel at Long Reimer Winegar, LLP, where she has practiced since January 2023. Anna has a varied litigation practice, but she focuses primarily on professional malpractice defense, health care law, contract and real estate disputes and family law. Anna graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law with Honors in 2003. She then went on to clerk for the Honorable E. James Burke, Edward L. Grant and Nicholas G. Kalokathis with the First Judicial District Court in Laramie County, Wyoming. From 2005 to 2006, Anna clerked at the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York City, New York.



**John Ordiway**  
**Wyoming Professional**  
**Assistance Program**  
**Casper, Wyoming**

John is currently the Academic Chair for Addiction Studies, Psychology and Social Work at Casper College. He is also the Clinical Director for the Wyoming Professional Assistance Program. He has been a member of the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers (MINT) since 2009 and worked with multiple agencies to implement MI into their organizations. John holds a Master of Science in Counselor Education and a Master of Science in Psychology. He is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Addiction Therapist.



**Hon. Melissa M. Owens**  
**Ninth Judicial District Court**  
**Jackson, Wyoming**

Judge Owens was appointed to serve as a District Court Judge in the Ninth Judicial District by Governor Mark Gordon on January 19, 2022. Judge Owens received her J.D. from the University of Wyoming in 1998. She began her career as a public defender in Dallas, Texas. She transitioned to private practice in 2004 as a partner at Mulligan & Owens. Eventually, she worked as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney at the Teton County and Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Judge Owens also spent several years in private practice handling various types of litigation with an emphasis on family law. During that time, she served as the Town of Jackson Municipal Judge for seven years until her appointment to serve as a District Judge.



**Hon. F. Scott Peasley**  
**Eighth Judicial District Court**  
**Douglas, Wyoming**

Judge Peasley received a B.A. from Earlham College and a J.D. from the University of Tulsa. He was a private practice attorney and part-time prosecutor in Douglas from 2001-2017. He was appointed to the Eighth Judicial District bench in August 2017. He is married to Laura with three daughters, Audrey, Allie and Sydney.



**Brianne C. Phillips**  
**First Judicial District Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Brianne Phillips graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law in 2015, after which she served as staff attorney to Hon. Catherine R. Rogers in Laramie County. She then transitioned to private practice with Overstreet, Homar & Kuker and later Copenhaver, Kitchen & Kolpitcke, focusing primarily on civil litigation and appellate work. In 2022, she was offered the opportunity to return as a staff attorney for the Laramie County District Court. She currently serves as District Commissioner for the Laramie County District Court and Circuit Court Magistrate for the Park County Circuit Court.



**Hon. Paul S. Phillips**  
**Sixth Judicial District Circuit**  
**Court**  
**Gillette, Wyoming**

The Hon. Paul S. Phillips retired from active-duty service in the United States Army in 2002 as a Lieutenant Colonel of Air Defense Artillery. He holds a bachelor's degree from Eastern Oregon University, a master's degree in journalism from Marshall University and earned his Juris Doctor in 2004 by attending night school at George Mason University Antonin Scalia School of Law while assigned to the Pentagon. He practiced law in Gillette for 13 years before his appointment as a Circuit Court Judge for the Sixth Judicial District in 2017.



**Rennie P. Phillips**  
**Rennie Phillips Law, LLC**  
**Laramie, Wyoming**

Rennie graduated from the UW College of Law in 2011 and started her own firm, Rennie Phillips Law, LLC, in April of 2020. She works as a guardian ad litem in custody cases, but also handles divorces, guardianships, adoptions and other domestic relations matters. Rennie divides her time between Albany and Teton Counties; therefore, she represents clients throughout western Wyoming. She has served as Chair of the Wyoming State Bar Family Law Section for the 2022-2023 year.



**Dona Playton**  
**University of Wyoming**  
**College of Law**  
**Laramie, Wyoming**

Dona Playton is a Professor of Law and the Director of the Family and Child Legal Advocacy Clinic at the University of Wyoming College of Law. Law students in the clinic represent low-income clients in a wide range of cases, including divorce, child custody and allocation of parental rights, termination of parental rights, adoption, guardianship and child welfare proceedings. Professor Playton teaches Alternative Dispute Resolution, Family Law, Domestic Violence and the Law and Children and the Law. In addition, Professor Playton engages in research, advocacy and national collaboration efforts to improve access to the legal system and outcomes for families experiencing divorce, separation and child custody issues. Professor Playton is also a Child Welfare Law Specialist (NACC), a trained mediator and the Laramie Municipal Court Judge.



**Brent R. Rhodes**  
**Hathaway & Kunz, LLP**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Brent Rhodes is an associate at Hathaway & Kunz, LLP where he assists in diverse areas of practice, including business, commercial and corporate law, civil litigation, natural resource law, and personal injury.

Brent is a Wyoming native with a diverse professional and academic background. He has a B.S. in wildlife biology from the University of Wyoming. During his undergraduate studies, he was an IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE) Scholar who focused on the convergence of medical science and conservation. After graduating in 2016, he worked as a biological consultant for businesses involved with various state and federal wildlife agencies.

Brent earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Wyoming with honors in 2020. While in law school, he was the Student Director for the University of Wyoming's Civil Legal Services Clinic. Notably, he was lead counsel for a team of law students that won the Clinic's first jury trial. Upon graduation, Brent clerked for the Honorable Magistrate Mark L. Carman at the United States District Court, District of Wyoming.

Brent left chambers and joined the Hathaway & Kunz team in 2021. Since joining Hathaway and Kunz, Brent has focused much of his time on civil litigation and using artificial intelligence to streamline the process. Beyond the obvious ethical issues presented by artificial intelligence, Brent is primarily interested in exploring how artificial intelligence can provide equal opportunity and access to legal services and diminish the ever growing costs of litigation.

Outside of the office, Brent enjoys spending time with

his wife, Grace, and his year-old son, Henry. If not with his family, Brent is almost certainly enjoying the wilderness or golfing.



**Damien Riehl**  
**vLex Group**  
**Washington, DC**

Damien Riehl is a lawyer and technologist with experience in complex litigation, digital forensics and software development. A coder since 1985 and for the web since 1995, Damien clerked for the chief judges of state and federal courts, practiced in complex litigation for over a decade, has led teams of cybersecurity and world-spanning digital forensics investigations and has led teams in legal-software development. An appointee of the Minnesota Governor's Council on Connected and Automated Vehicles, he has helped recommend changes to Minnesota statutes, rules and policies—all related to connected and autonomous vehicles. Damien is Chair of the Minnesota State Bar Association's working group on AI and the Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL). At SALI, the legal data standard he helps lead, Damien develops and has greatly expanded the taxonomy of over 12,000 legal tags that matter, helping the legal industry's development of AI, analytics and interoperability. At vLex Group—which includes Fastcase, Docket Alarm and NextChapter—Damien helps lead the design, development and expansion of various products, integrating AI-backed technologies (e.g., GPT) to improve legal workflows and to power legal data analytics.



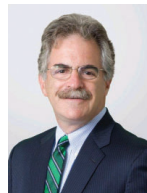
**Kelly A. Rudd**  
**Baldwin, Crocker & Rudd, P.C.**  
**Lander, Wyoming**

Kelly A. Rudd is lawyer with the firm Baldwin, Crocker & Rudd. He is graduate of Northwestern School of Law at Lewis and Clark College and holds an M.B.A. in Business and Government Management from the Atkinson School of Management at Willamette University. Since 2016, he has been selected by peer review for inclusion in editions of *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of Native American Law. Mr. Rudd handles a wide array of litigation and business matters, often involving questions of federal Indian law.



**Hon. Steven K. Sharpe**  
**First Judicial District Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Judge Sharpe was appointed as a judge to the First Judicial District by Governor Matt Mead in 2012. Judge Sharpe graduated from the University of Denver in 1981. He obtained his law degree from the University of Notre Dame Law School in 1984 where he was an Associate Editor of the *Notre Dame Law Review*. Prior to his appointment as judge, he worked for 10 years as an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming. Judge Sharpe also spent several years in private practice where he focused primarily on tort litigation, employment litigation and administrative law. He is married to Lily Sharpe, and they have four children and three grandchildren.



**Dan Small**  
**Holland & Knight**  
**Miami, Florida**

Dan Small's expansive career provides the unique basis for his excellence as a teacher and author. His impressive body of work includes lawyering for the U.S. Department of Justice, work as corporate general counsel for a national healthcare management firm and private practice with both small and large firms.

He may not have seen it all, but he's seen a lot of what lawyers do—from varied and meaningful perspectives. In addition, he is a noted author for the American Bar Association (ABA), has served as Lecturer on Law at Harvard University and is a frequent television, radio and newspaper commentator on legal issues.

He is a partner at Holland & Knight, LLP in their Boston and Miami offices. He represents witnesses, plaintiffs and defendants in wide-ranging investigations and proceedings and in both civil and criminal litigation (including fraud, regulation, insider trading, revenue recognition and more).

Small is a member of the Florida Bar and the Massachusetts Bar. He is a 1979 graduate of Harvard Law School and a *cum laude* graduate of Harvard College. Dan has been inducted into the honorary society Litigation Counsel of America.



**Lisa Smith-Crissey**  
**Fastcase**  
**Charlottesville, Virginia**

Lisa Smith-Crissey has spent her career in the legal information industry, teaming with bar associations in many roles throughout the years. She is currently the Director of Alliances with Fastcase, having joined Fastcase during the Casemaker/Fastcase merger. She received her B.S. from Wilkes University in Business Administration and Management.



**Douglas M. Spencer**  
**University of Colorado Law School**  
**Boulder, Colorado**

Professor Doug Spencer is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Colorado Law School. He is also the Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs & Research. Doug is an election law scholar whose research examines the role of prejudice and racial attitudes in voting and the ways that election rules and political campaigns contribute to growing inequality in America. Doug frequently serves as an expert witness in voting rights and campaign finance cases and, prior to law teaching, was a law clerk at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights in San Francisco, an election monitor in Thailand for the Asian Network for Free Elections and a researcher for the Pew Center on the States' Military and Overseas Voting Reform Project. Doug holds a Ph.D. in Jurisprudence and Social Policy from the University of California, Berkeley. He also earned a J.D. at Berkeley Law and a M.P.P. at the Goldman School of Public Policy at UC Berkeley. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Columbia University in 2004 with a B.A. in Philosophy.



**Hon. Susan K. Stipe**  
**Second Judicial District Circuit Court**  
**Rawlins, Wyoming**

Hon. Susan K. Stipe is a Circuit Court Judge for the Second Judicial District in Carbon County from 2018 to Present. Judge Stipe was appointed in February 2018 to the Circuit Court bench. At the time of appointment, Judge Stipe was an Assistant District Attorney for Laramie County, Wyoming, in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Prior to her appointment, Judge Stipe worked for several years at the Wyoming Attorney General's Office representing the Office of State Lands and Investments, the Board of Medicine and for a period of time she represented the Department of Family

Services. Judge Stipe was also in private practice in Colorado and later at Woodhouse, Roden, Nethercott. Early in her career she was a prosecutor in Carbon County Wyoming, and she later became the Rawlins City Attorney. Judge Stipe graduated from the University of Wyoming with a bachelor's degree in English and went to law school at the University of Wyoming College of Law. She received her Juris Doctorate in 1999.



**Lance K. Tanaka**  
**American Arbitration Association**  
**Denver, Colorado**

Lance Tanaka is a Vice President for the American Arbitration Association's (AAA's) Denver office. He is responsible for the market development of the AAA's ADR services in an 11-state region which includes: Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. Mr. Tanaka also recruits and trains arbitrators and mediators for the Association's Panel of Neutrals. He is a trained mediator and received his mediation training from the Neighborhood Justice Center (NJC) in Honolulu where he mediated disputes between landlords and tenants, neighbors, parents and children, domestic relations and commercial business disputes.



**Melissa R. Theriault**  
**Woodhouse Roden Ames & Brennan, LLC**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Melissa R. Theriault is Of Counsel at Woodhouse Roden Ames & Brennan, LLC having joined the firm in 2022. Melissa is an advocate for people with disabilities and brings her years of successful, diverse and client-centered representation and litigation to her advocacy and research. Melissa began her legal career in a prominent Wyoming civil litigation firm where she focused on medical malpractice and civil defense litigation. She then joined the Wyoming Attorney General's Office Consumer Protection Unit protecting the State of Wyoming from unscrupulous business practices until she was appointed the Director of Wyoming's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, where she investigated and

prosecuted providers accused of abusing, neglecting and exploiting vulnerable Wyomingites.



**Jeffery T. Van Fleet**  
**Brown & Hiser, LLC**  
**Laramie, Wyoming**

Jeff Van Fleet practices in a variety of areas of the law with a primary focus on domestic relations. He also represents clients for real estate law, business, estate, civil litigation and criminal representation. In addition, he currently provides services as guardian ad litem, mediator and a court-appointed attorney for Title 25 and neglect & abuse cases. Jeff is a partner at Brown & Hiser LLC. Prior to becoming an attorney Jeff spent 18 years working as a deputy Sheriff, ran several businesses and served in the U.S. Marines. Jeff is currently a member of the Albany County Mental Health Board, the Albany County Gatekeeper team and Albany County Crisis Intervention Team.



**Hannah D. West**  
**First Judicial District Court**  
**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

Hannah West graduated with her Juris Doctorate in 2017 from the University of Wyoming College of Law. From there, she held a position as a term clerk, spent time as a public defender, worked in private practice and eventually returned to chambers as a staff attorney for Judge Campbell in the First Judicial District of Laramie County. She has extensive experience in many areas of the law—including significant time spent in trial and writing complex legal arguments and orders. She also currently serves as District Court Commissioner and a magistrate for Laramie County Circuit Court.



**Hon. Catherine E. Wilking**  
**Seventh Judicial District Court**  
**Casper, Wyoming**

Hon. Catherine E. Wilking was appointed Seventh Judicial District Court Judge by Governor Dave Freudenthal and was sworn in on February 1, 2011. Prior to her appointment, Judge Wilking was a prosecutor in Natrona County and a partner in the firm of Nicolaysen & Wilking. She is past-president of the Wyoming Make-A-Wish Foundation, served as president of Natrona County CASA, and is a former board member of the Children’s Advocacy Project. Judge Wilking is currently a member of the ATJ 2.0 Court Navigator Committee.

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**iDiscovery Solutions**  
**Washington, DC**

Bobby Williams is the Director at iDiscovery Solutions, with over 22 years of experience in eDiscovery. Bobby works as a Digital Forensics Investigator, Data Scientist and Expert Testifier, while traveling the country to speak and educate about data, technology and case strategy. Bobby has extensive experience supporting litigation and law enforcement professionals as a consultant, technologist and expert. He has played an integral role in a wide variety of digital forensics matters, executing trial preparations and evidence presentations for legal teams throughout the country. Bobby is a GIAC Certified Forensic Examiner (GCFE).

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The Equal Justice Wyoming Foundation strengthens and defends access to justice and civil legal services in Wyoming through fundraising and other supportive activities. Our guiding principle is that every individual should have full and equal access to justice, regardless of his or her financial means. We do this primarily by providing grants to civil legal service providers and supporting educational efforts. We work closely with the Wyoming Supreme Court, Access to Justice Commission, Wyoming State Bar, Equal Justice Wyoming, legal service providers and community organizations across the state to accomplish our mission.

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## Wyoming Judicial Branch

The Wyoming Judicial Branch exists for the people, businesses, and governmental entities of this great state. Our mission is to provide access to justice through the timely, fair, and impartial resolution of legal disputes. Our judges, and all members of the Judicial Branch, are working diligently to make the guarantee of equal justice embedded in our constitution a reality in Wyoming.

While the Wyoming Judicial Branch primarily serves Wyoming citizens through resolution of legal disputes that come before the courts, it is also firmly committed to providing civics education to all Wyomingites - from small to tall.

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The Judicial Branch's "You Be The Judge" program is designed to educate Wyoming citizens on the mission, role, and responsibilities of the Wyoming Judicial Branch by providing a behind the scenes glimpse into the difficult decisions

faced by Wyoming judges. This interactive presentation, featuring judicial officers, is available in communities statewide.

Please stop by the Wyoming Judicial Branch booth to learn more about the Wyoming Judiciary and these educational opportunities.

## **Wyoming Lawyer Assistance Program (WyLAP)**

The Wyoming State Bar launched the Wyoming Lawyer Assistance Program (WyLAP) in July 2014. WyLAP understands the competitive pressures, high expectations and work/life balance issues faced by Wyoming lawyers. Unmanaged stress can lead to health problems, substance abuse and depression. You don't have to manage alone. If you, a friend or colleague is in trouble, seeking professional help can make a difference. There is no need to risk your license, livelihood, reputation or family. You do not have to manage alone. Once you have made the call, you have taken the first step. We will take the next step with you. WyLAP offers confidential assistance in the areas of alcohol, drug abuse, prescription drug problems, assistance with mental and behavioral health issues such as anxiety, stress, burn-out and depression. Call (307) 996-6834. All calls are confidential.

## **Wyoming Professional Assistance Program (WPAP)**

Wyoming Professional Assistance Program has been providing professionals who are struggling with substance abuse and mental health issues with confidential assistance since 1997. This includes evaluations, intervention guidance, life coaching, treatment provider referrals and a comprehensive monitoring program. In 2022, WPAP introduced the Self-Check Questionnaire which provides a completely anonymous and confidential opportunity for attorneys to assess their mental health and receive guidance from our clinicians via an online portal. Visit [wapap.connectsyou.org](http://wapap.connectsyou.org) to take the Self-Check Questionnaire or [www.wpapro.org](http://www.wpapro.org) for more information about WPAP. WPAP is proud to partner with the Wyoming Lawyers Assistance Program and the Wyoming State Bar.

## **Wyoming Trial Lawyers Association**

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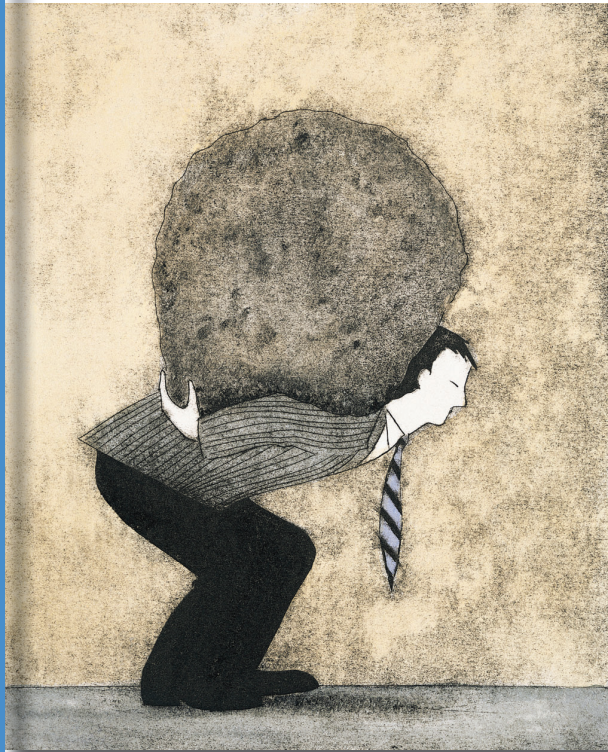
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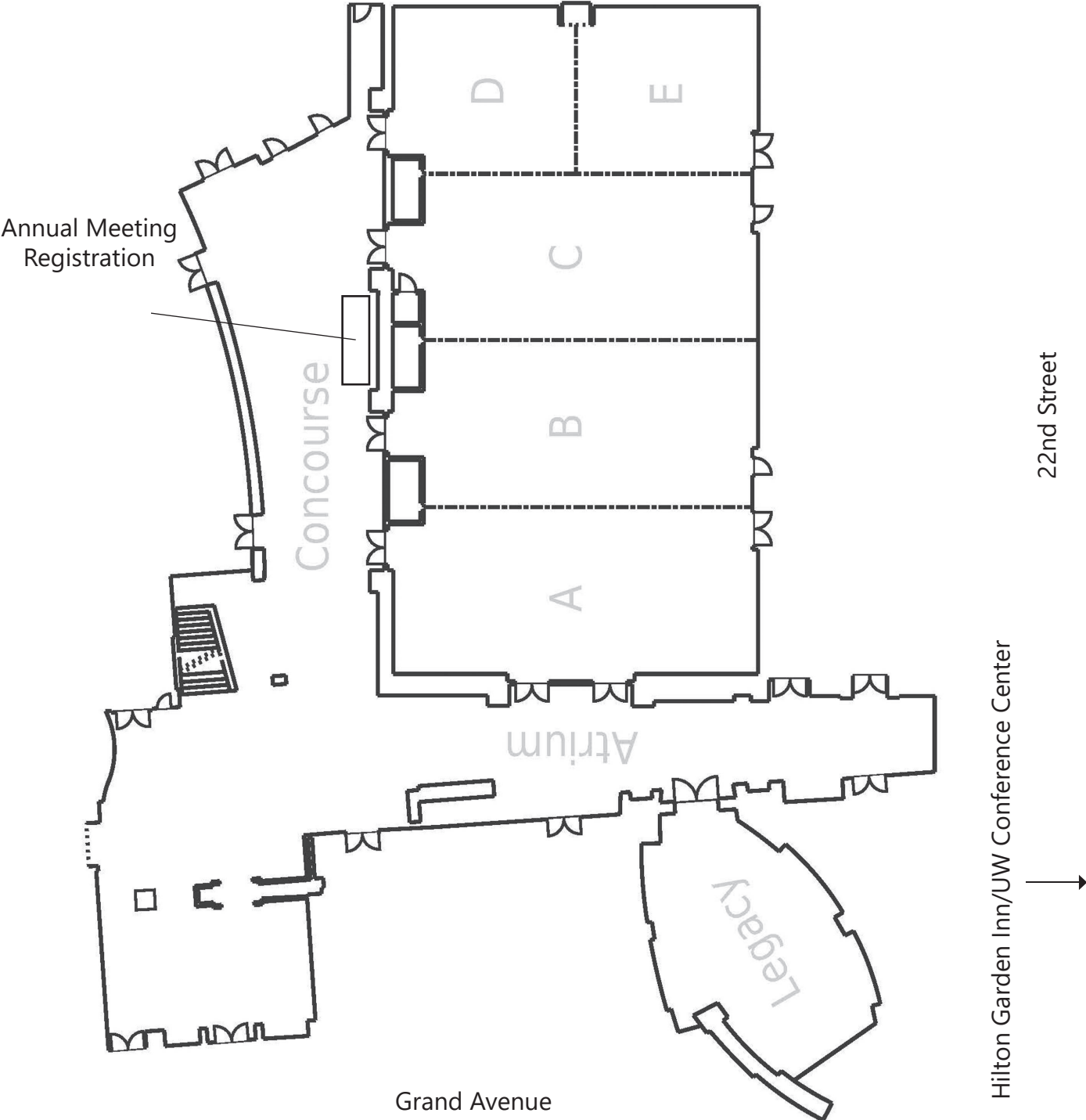
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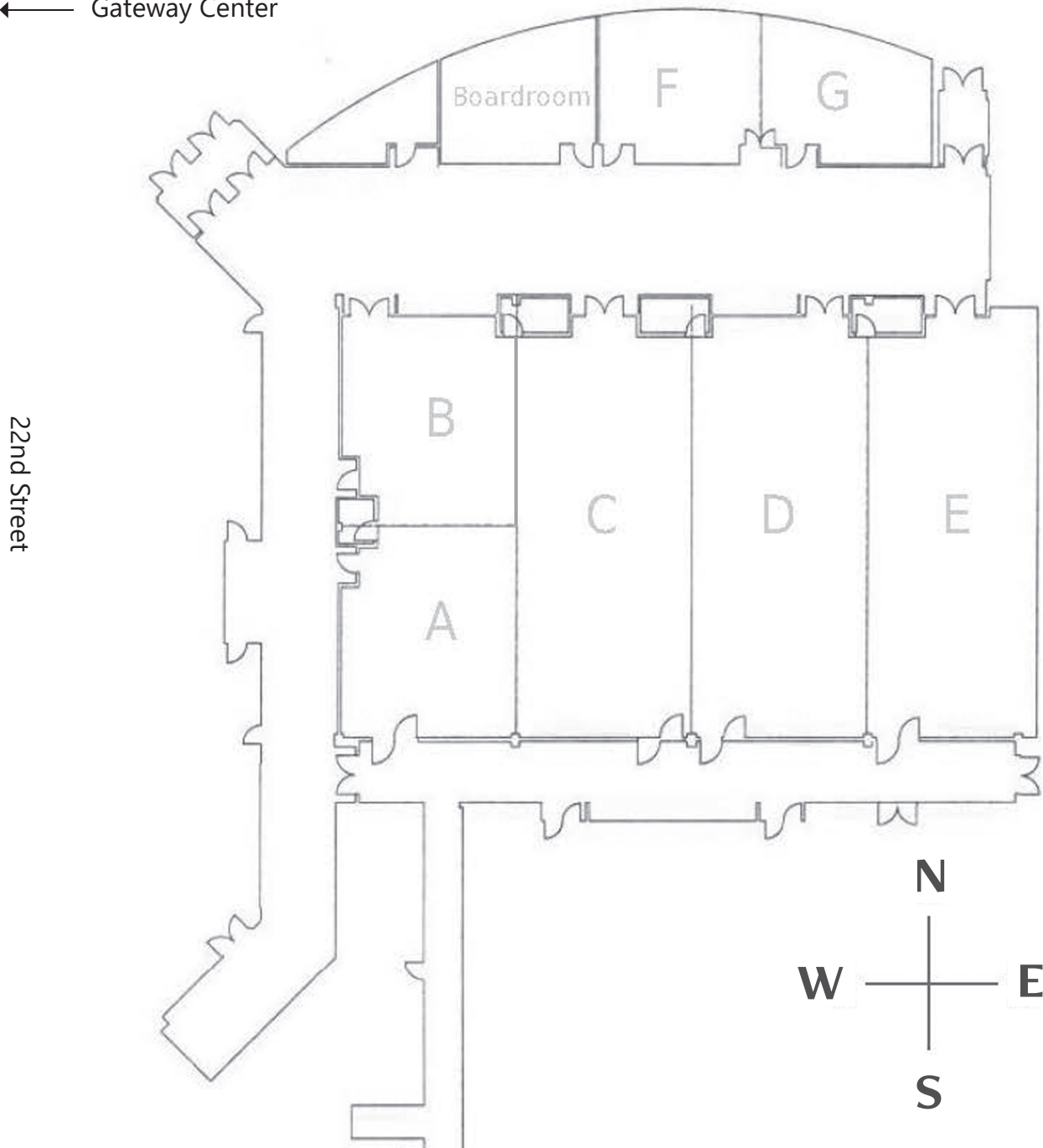
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