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### **LCBA April Bar Lunch Meeting**

The next Lane County Bar Association meeting will be held on Thursday, April 12, at noon, at the Oregon Electric Station. Guest presenter Dean Margaret Paris, UO School of Law, will present a program on "Access to Legal Education—Current Challenges." Application for one Elimination of Bias CLE credit will be made. The cost is \$12.00. Please make your checks payable to OES and pay on site. RSVP by April 11 to Kristie Gibson at 729-3622 or [kgibson@gibsonholders.com](mailto:kgibson@gibsonholders.com).

### **Spring Bash / Distinguished Service Award**

The LCBA cordially invites you to attend the LCBA Spring Bash at the Downtown Athletic Club on Tuesday, May 22, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Relax with your friends and colleagues in a fun, festive atmosphere! Enjoy live music, dancing, food, door prizes and awards. A no-host bar will also be available. Please see the enclosed flier for more information or contact Kristie Gibson at [kgibson@gibsonholders.com](mailto:kgibson@gibsonholders.com) or 729-3622.

Please join the LCBA in honoring Mr. Gary R. Ackley for his distinguished service to the People and Bar of Lane County at the LCBA Spring Bash. Mr. Ackley graduated from the University of Oregon in 1966 and established a practice in Cottage Grove. He is retiring after 40 years of practicing law and 38 years as a city attorney. He has volunteered on behalf of many important causes and served as the President of the Lane County Bar Association in 1988-89. The LCBA looks forward to honoring Mr. Ackley for his hard work and dedication to our community over his professional life.

### **New LCBA Section for Legal Professionals**

LCBA has just added a new section, the Lane County Lawyer-Parent Section, which is open to all interested lawyers and legal professionals, whether you have kids, are expecting a new one, have grown kids out of the house, or just

like the topic at one of our monthly events. This section will organize events for the third Wednesday of each month, from September through May, on issues such as how to juggle practicing law and having kids (flex-time scheduling, firm/employer policies) as well as "law" affecting children from daycare regulations to car seat safety to adoption law. We also have an informal listserv and plan to hold monthly weekend socials for kids to attend.

Our first event will be Wednesday, April 18, at noon, in the jury assembly room of the new federal Wayne L. Morse courthouse (405 E. 8th Avenue). It is part 1 of a 2-part series entitled, "Juggling the Legal Profession and Kids." CLE credit will be applied for. Lunch provided so RSVP appreciated.

April's speakers include Peter Glade, Derek Simmons and John Russell. They will discuss their experiences creating proper work/life balance, working full-time with children and other germane topics.

If you would like more information on the event or this section or would like to be included on the section's e-mail list, please contact Natalie C. Scott at Muhlheim Boyd, [nscott@mb-lawoffice.com](mailto:nscott@mb-lawoffice.com) or 868-8005.

### **Entertainment Lawyer!**

Dan Neal is performing at The Shedd Performing Arts Hall on Saturday, April 21 at 7:30. He will be supported in concert by his band and guest artists including Deb Cleveland. Dan's latest cd "Party of One" is scheduled to be released on April 21. "Party of One" is a follow-up to his critically acclaimed debut "When the Big Picture Fades." Reviewers compare Dan's Americana style sound to artists including Tom Petty, Richard Thompson and John Hiatt. Dan has plans to perform in Chicago and New York in May and is booking other dates in support of his new cd. Call for tickets: 687-6526.

**Check out the LCBA Website: <http://lanecountybar.org/>**

### Lane County Women Lawyers

LCWL's April presentation will be held on Tuesday, April 17, at noon at the DAC. The presentation will feature a panel discussion on marketing. To RSVP and for more info, contact Kate Thompson at [thompson@gleaveslaw.com](mailto:thompson@gleaveslaw.com) or Karrie McIntyre at [kkmcintyre@qwest.net](mailto:kkmcintyre@qwest.net).

### Family Law Section

The Family Law Section invites you to attend a presentation by Professor Leslie Harris on rebutting the presumption of equal contribution in property division cases. Noon, Thursday, April 26, in the conference room off of the cafeteria at the Lane County Circuit Court. One general CLE credit to be applied for. Please contact Vanessa Carter or Martha Roberts at 485-3222 with questions.

### Debtor/Creditor Section

On April 10 at noon in the shared conference room on the fifth floor of the Wayne L Morse United States Courthouse in Eugene, the Debtor/Creditor Section will host a CLE presentation by Mr. Joe Genova and Ms. Sue Anderson, both Bankruptcy Specialists with the Eugene office of the IRS. Mr. Genova and Ms. Anderson will discuss timely IRS topics, such as IRS employees and their assignments, where to file original returns, and 1305 procedures. If you have any specific questions you would like to the speakers to address, you can e-mail them in advance to [Susan.L.Anderson2@irs.gov](mailto:Susan.L.Anderson2@irs.gov), or you can bring them with you to the meeting. For more information, please contact John Butler, Chairperson of the Debtor/Creditor Committee at 683-6652 or [jfb@armstrongbankruptcy.com](mailto:jfb@armstrongbankruptcy.com).

### Employment Law Committee

The LCBA Employment Law Committee will meet Wednesday, April 25 at noon. Allyson Krueger (Hitt Hiller Monfils Williams LLP) will speak on "Cat's Paw" Liability: When are a nonbiased decision maker's actions considered discriminatory? The Supreme Court has granted cert on the following question: Under what circumstances is an employer liable under federal anti-discrimination laws based on a subordinate's discriminatory animus, where the person(s) who actually made the adverse employment decision admittedly harbored no discriminatory motive toward the impacted employee? The meeting will be held at Harrang

Long Gary Rudnick P.C. in Eugene. Please RSVP to Jenni Ashcroft, [Jenni.Ashcroft@Harrang.com](mailto:Jenni.Ashcroft@Harrang.com) or 485-0220. If you have any questions please contact Christine Nesbit at [Christine.NESBIT@harrang.com](mailto:Christine.NESBIT@harrang.com) or 485-0220. If you would like to be added to the Employment Law Committee listserve, please contact Katie Chamberlain, Committee Chair, at 683-2506 or [kchamberlain@wczonline.com](mailto:kchamberlain@wczonline.com).

### Eugene-Springfield Tax Association

Eugene-Springfield Tax Association's April meeting will be held on April 24 at the Town Club. Cocktails will be served at 5:30 p.m. with dinner promptly at 6:00 p.m. The guest speakers, Dave Andrews and Stephen Lane, will be speaking on the topic of joint trusts. The speakers' presentation will begin at 6:45 p.m. and run until 7:45 p.m.

### New Lawyers Committee

The LCBA's New Lawyers Committee will be hosting a brown-bag CLE on Wednesday, April 11, from noon to 1:00 in Lane County Courtroom 305. Scott Morrill, Assistant General Counsel in the OSB Client Assistant Office, will discuss "An Introduction to Ethics Complaints". Mr. Morrill's talk will cover an overview of the intake system, what happens to complaints

#### Coming Events

4/10/07	Debtor/Creditor Section meets
4/11/07	New Lawyers Committee meets
4/11/07	NALS meets
4/12/07	LCBA April Lunch Meeting
4/13/07	Probate Section meets
4/17/07	LCWL meets
4/18/07	Lawyer-Parent Section meets
4/21/07	Dan Neal performance
4/23/07	Bar News Deadline
4/24/07	Eugene-Springfield Tax Assoc meets
4/25/07	Employment Law Committee meets
4/26/07	Family Law Section meets
5/1/07	Law Day
5/22/07	LCBA Spring Bash

deserving more investigation, what kinds of complaints new lawyers should take particular note of, and general ethics issues. Reservations are not required. One Ethics CLE credit will be applied for. For more information, please contact Jaclyn Semple at [jsemple@wlrlaw.com](mailto:jsemple@wlrlaw.com).

#### NALS of Lane County

Jacy F. Arnold will be our guest speaker regarding Discovery for Domestic Relations Litigation on Wednesday, April 11, from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Lane County Courthouse/Public Service Building's Conference Rooms B/C (behind Café Today). Please RSVP to Patty at 344-2174 or [prusow@dgnmw.com](mailto:prusow@dgnmw.com) by April 9.

#### Announcements

**E. Bradley Litchfield** has become a shareholder in the firm of **Hutchinson, Cox, Coons, DuPriest, Orr & Sherlock, P.C.**; a general practice law firm in Eugene. Litchfield has practiced law for eleven years and is licensed to practice in Oregon and British Columbia. His practice emphasis is on litigation issues, particularly business related litigation, dissolution and creditors' rights.

**Gartland, Nelson, McCleery, Wade & Walloch, P.C.** is pleased to announce that **Heather M. Walloch** has become a shareholder in the firm. Ms. Walloch continues to emphasize estate planning; probate; estate/will contests and probate-related litigation; and business litigation. Best wishes to our colleague **Michael W. Doyle**, a longtime shareholder of the firm who is leaving the firm to practice in Seattle.

The shareholders of **Speer, Hoyt, Jones, Feinman, Poppe, Wolf & Griffith, P.C.** have simplified their name. There have been no changes in ownership, but as of March 1, their name changed to **Speer Hoyt PC**. They are still located in the Citizens Building at 975 Oak Street, Ste 700, Eugene; phone, 485-5151.

**Christy K. Monson**, formerly legal counsel and a lobbyist for the League of Oregon Cities, has joined **Speer Hoyt PC**. Christy specializes in municipal law and state and local government relations, and will work in the firm's thriving practice serving municipalities all over the state. Christy also now represents private

associations both as legal counsel and as an advocate before the Oregon legislature and state agencies.

**James (Jim) A. Underwood**, an experienced trial attorney with a wide variety of litigation and transactional experience in both the public and private sectors, has joined **Speer Hoyt PC**. Underwood's practice will emphasize business, estate planning, tax, and state and federal litigation. Underwood is a former judicial clerk to the Honorable Kip W. Leonard in Lane County. Underwood earned his J.D. from the University of Oregon School of Law in 2001, and graduated with high honors from the University of California-Santa Barbara with a B.A. in political science in 1997.

**Janice Mackey** recently joined the firm of **Speer Hoyt PC**, where her practice will continue to focus on general business law, estate planning and real estate. She enjoys working with small and medium-sized businesses, non-profit organizations and individuals. Janice is a frequent guest speaker at the Lane Community College Small Business Development Center. She has presented seminars on contracts, choice of entity and the formation process, employment law, and trusts, wills and estate planning.

**Eugene A-V rated product liability, personal injury firm seeks trial attorney.** Strong research, writing and communication skills needed. Salary and benefits commensurate with experience. Send resume to: Johnson, Clifton, Larson & Schaller, P.C., 975 Oak St., Ste 1050, Eugene, OR 97401. (No calls please.)

**Legal secretary wanted part-to full-time.** Two-attorney firm. Litigation experience required. MS Word, Outlook. Send resume and cover letter to Anna at fax 344-8730 or [athomas@wilsonattorneys.net](mailto:athomas@wilsonattorneys.net).

**Seeking proposals:** Sealed proposals for Indigent Defense Services for the City of Eugene will be accepted by the Purchasing Office, 100 West 10th Avenue, Suite 400, Eugene, OR 97401 until 2:30 pm, Wednesday, May 16. Solicitation documents may be examined at this address, or electronically on the eBid system at <https://customer.ionwave.net/eugene-or>. If you have any questions, please contact Jamie Frost, Purchasing Analyst, at 682-6820.

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