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LCBA Elections on June 14

The Lane County Bar Association elections will be held on Thursday, June 14 at noon, at the Oregon Electric Station. Also, please join us on this date as we present the Andrew Clement Pro Bono Award to **Bill Bromley** during the luncheon. The cost is \$12.00. Please make your checks payable to OES and pay on site. RSVP by June 13 to Kristie Gibson at 729-3622 or via email at kgibson@gibsonholders.com.

The candidates on the June 14 ballot are:

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| President | Murray Petitt |
| President-Elect | Brian Thompson |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Matt Longtin |

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| Board of Directors | Kristie Gibson |
| | Hon. Eveleen Henry |
| | Jane Steckbeck |

If you are unable to attend on June 14, you may pick up an absentee ballot from the Trial Court Administrator between June 7 and June 13. Ballots must be returned to the Trial Court Administrator by June 13 at 5:00 p.m.

Thank You

The Lane County Bar Association would like to thank the following sponsors for their support and generous contributions to Spring Bash 2007:

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Thank you for supporting the LCBA during this successful event!

Judicial Candidates Forum

LCBA will host a candidates forum on Thursday, June 28 at noon, at the Oregon Electric Station. There are 18 candidates for the two judicial vacancies resulting from the retirement of the Honorable Darryl Larson and the Honorable Lyle Velure. Due to the large field of candidates, this forum will last approximately 1 1/2 hours. There will be time for a question and answer session after each candidate makes a brief statement. Lunch will be served at a cost of \$12.00. Please make your checks payable to OES and pay on site. RSVP by June 27 to Kristie Gibson at 729-3622 or via email at kgibson@gibsonholders.com.

Debtor/Creditor Section

On June 12 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. Gavin Armstrong, of Armstrong Bankruptcy Law Offices, and Mr. Ronald Becker, attorney for the US Trustee. Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Becker will discuss the Chapter 13 Statement of Current Monthly Income (Bankruptcy Form B22C). For more information, please contact John Butler, Chairperson of the Debtor/Creditor Committee at 541-683-6652 or jfb@armstrongbankruptcy.com.

New Lawyers Committee: Panel Discussion with Lane County Circuit Court Judges

On Wednesday June 13, the LCBA New Lawyers Committee welcomes Lane County Circuit Court Judges Debra Vogt and Cynthia Carlson to our annual Circuit Court Judges' Panel. The Judges will be on hand to discuss best practices for new (and experienced) lawyers and to answer questions from the audience. Please bring your burning questions and your brown bag lunch and join us from noon-1:00 p.m. in courtroom 305 of the Lane County Courthouse for this free, one hour CLE. One general credit will be applied for. For more information, call Megan Livermore (541-343-8060).

NALS of Lane County

On Wednesday, June 13, from noon to 1:00 p.m. Laurence H. Hamblen will be our guest speaker. His presentation will be regarding Lane County Legal Aid Services of Oregon and will be held 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 by June 11.

Employment Law Committee

The June LCBA Employment Law Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, June 27 from noon-1 p.m. Thomas Travers (Office of Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service) will speak on "Tax Consequences and Employment Settlement Agreements." Ever argue with opposing counsel about whether withholding is required on a portion of a settlement agreement between an employee and employer? Mr. Travers will present an overview of the federal tax law issues and considerations with respect to employment suit damages and settlement agreements. Lunch will be provided. The meeting will be held at Harrang Long Gary Rudnick P.C., 360 E. 10th Ave., Suite 300, in Eugene. Please RSVP to Jenni.Ashcroft@harrang.com. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Nesbit at Christine.Nesbit@harrang.com. If you would like to be added to the LCBA Employment Law list serve, contact Katie Chamberlain, Committee Chair, at 683.2506 or kchamberlain@wczonline.com. This program is sponsored by the OSB Labor and Employment Section.

Study WordPerfect Online at Lane Community College

In this summer term course you will use WordPerfect to create, edit, format, and print documents; use fonts, tab settings and correction tools; manipulate and organize text using headers and footers, tables, and mail merge; and use special features and graphic elements. You must have WordPerfect installed on your computer and a reliable internet connection in order to participate in the class. Course info: BT125—WordPerfect for Business, June 25—August 18, CRN 10762. Questions call 463-5221 or 463-5765; www.lanec.edu/business.

Announcements

Watkinson Laird Rubenstein Baldwin & Burgess, P.C., is pleased to announce the addition of three new associates:

Michelle A. Blackwell joined the firm's litigation practice group in July of 2006. A native of South Bend, Indiana, she earned her J.D. from the Valparaiso University School of Law and holds a B.A. in political science from Indiana University. She was admitted to practice in Indiana in 1993, and Oregon in 2000. In addition to her extensive litigation background, she has served as an Intern Law Clerk to the Honorable Loren Smith, Chief Judge of the United States Claims Court, Washington D.C. and an Administrative Law Judge for the Oregon Employment Department. Publications include "Suing and Defending Corporate CEOs," Oregon State Bar Bulletin, December 2002. Michelle is an active member of Oregon Women Lawyers and enjoys yoga, Kung-Fu, and spending time with her two children.

John J. Christianson joined the firm as an associate in September of 2006, after clerking with the firm for two years. John's practice focuses on estate planning, probate, tax, and business transactions. He earned his B.A. from Georgetown University and his J.D. from the University of Oregon School of Law. He serves on the Board of Directors of Early Start, a local

Coming Events

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| 6/12/07 | Debtor/Creditor Section meets |
| 6/13/07 | New Lawyers Committee meets |
| 6/13/07 | NALS meeting |
| 6/14/07 | LCBA Elections Lunch |
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| 6/16/07 | OCDLA's Summer Blockbuster |
| 6/25/07 | Bar News Deadline |
| 6/25/07 | WordPerfect online course begins |
| 6/27/07 | Employment Law Committee meets |
| 6/28/07 | Judicial Candidates Forum |

nonprofit dedicated to supporting artistically and musically talented youth, and on the OSB New Lawyers Division's Law School Outreach subcommittee. John is a native of Portland and enjoys cooking, travel, and home renovation.

Jaclyn K. Semple joined the firm's health law and employment law practice groups in March of 2007. Prior to joining the firm her practice focused on employment and general civil litigation. She earned her B.A. at the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire, and received her J.D. from the University of Oregon School of Law. Jaclyn is co-chair of the LCBA New Lawyers Committee. She is also a member of the OSB New Lawyers Division's Law School Outreach subcommittee, and the LCBA Employment Law Committee. Jaclyn is a Wisconsin native who enjoys gardening, jewelry making, and ballroom dance.

Hershner Hunter announces that **Amanda Walkup** is its newest partner. She joins the firm's Employment and Employee Benefits Practice Group, bringing with her more than a decade of experience as a practicing attorney and three years in the HR Department of one of Lane County's largest employers. Her practice will focus on serving the needs of employers.

Changes

From **Laurence H. Hamblen**: Beginning June 11, I will be with the Eugene Hearing and Speech Center as the Executive Director. I have been with Legal Aid for 21 years. It has been a very gratifying experience. I leave only to go to an agency that is close to my heart. I thank all of you that have been so supportive of Legal Aid—both with pro bono services and with contributions to the Campaign For Equal Justice. The Tuesday night pro bono program is an outgrowth of a clinic started by the bar in the late 60's. If you haven't "done" a Tuesday night appointment for a while, you might want to sign up again—even if it is for a once a year. We have plenty of clients waiting. Call Connie Ramirez at 485-1017x100. Again, thank you for all your support over the years. It means a lot.

Lane County Law Practice Available

David L. Clark, Florence attorney, seeks to pass on his solo practice to qualified individual. No

compensation, all files, furniture/office equipment/limited library/remainder of lease/and secretary to remain. Your interest in writing please: P.O. Box 146, Florence, OR 97439; davec616@hotmail.com

Attorney Available

Experienced attorney available for contract work. 15+ years experience in civil litigation and transactional work in business law, family law, personal injury, probate, construction law, employment law and more. Can conduct initial case analysis, draft pleadings, propound discovery, negotiate settlements, and prepare a case for hearing or trial. Excellent research, analysis, and writing skills; great with witnesses and experts; strong and reasonable representation of client's interests at court. Licensed in Oregon and California. Local references and rates available upon request. Please contact Melya Stylos at 729-0049, or stylos.m@gmail.com.

Legal Secretary Available

Mary Sharon Moore is available for full-time, part-time, temporary, or piece-work work in Eugene-Springfield. At 80+ wpm, Mary Sharon also writes, edits, and professionally proofreads technical documents and major manuscripts. Her motto: "I handle your work as if it were my own." In Eugene: 687-2046.

Attorney Wanted

City of Salem, Oregon seeking Assistant City Attorney. Salary \$68,328-\$86,940 annually DOE. Ideal candidate would have three years of experience in criminal prosecution, two years of trial experience and two years handling contested cases before administrative agencies. Obtain complete job announcement, application, and requirements from the City of Salem, Human Resources Department, Room 225, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem, OR 97301 or <http://www.cityofsalem.net/departments/spersonl/JobOpportunities/EOE/ADA>. Apply by June 25, 2007.

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