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We support our members in a dynamic and diverse society in delivering valued professional services, promoting access to justice and pursuing professional satisfaction.



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From the desk of ...

Larry J. Martin, Executive Director



There has been a long-time crisis building in our criminal justice system that can no longer be ignored. The good news is that thanks to a concerted and coordinated effort these past few months, the governor and legislature heard your voices and have acted. The May 18 decision by the Wisconsin Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance to support the Legislature's bi-partisan proposal to increase the pay rate for assistant district attorneys and state public defenders, as well as increase the private bar rate, is great news for our criminal justice system.

The coalition of state agencies across the justice system, including the State Public Defender, the Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, the Association of State Prosecutors, the Department of Justice and the Director of State Courts put forward a solid and reasonable proposal which the State Bar of Wisconsin fully supported, putting its advocacy muscle to work. I'm personally grateful to the hundreds of volunteers and State Bar staff members who recognized the crisis and brought forward a message of bipartisan, serious concern to address the issue. Nearly every facet of your State Bar team played a role in ensuring the passage of this proposal by:

- Publicly raising the alarm when Dodge County found itself facing an empty district attorney office, resulting in substantial media coverage for Wisconsin's funding crisis.
- Coordinating a large cadre of volunteers to connect with their legislators by email, through the State Bar Advocacy Network, and by making personal phone calls in support of raising the rate.
- Creating a resource page on the WisBar website – [justicebreakingpoint.org](https://www.justicebreakingpoint.org) – to educate members and the public about the issue, encourage them to take action, review State Bar memos and articles, and read up-to-the-minute statewide news media coverage.
- Covering the story in *Wisconsin Lawyer* and *InsideTrack*; and
- Developing consistent, easy-to-remember messaging that generated significant statewide press.

The efforts of the last few months are a powerful reminder that collaboration, coupled with a clear message and focused effort, is an effective approach as we work to educate our elected leaders on critical issues of importance. When the final budget passes both houses of the legislature it will go to Governor Tony Evers for his signature in early summer. Once signed, let's take a moment and celebrate, and then, let's keep our sleeves rolled up and continue to advocate for a fair, and fully supported justice system for all in Wisconsin.

Thank you for your continued support. Enjoy these summer months, and as always, ever forward!

Larry

In case you missed my recent columns in *Wisconsin Lawyer™* magazine

My Lunches with Tony: Tony Earl, a lawyer and Wisconsin's governor from 1983-87, exemplified that political differences need not exclude public cooperation nor private friendships. (April 2023)

Every Member, Every Year: The "Every Member, Every Year" campaign supports and expands the mission and work of the Wisconsin Law Foundation. We need your help. (May 2023)



Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar

- **Upcoming Board of Governors' Meetings**
 - Sept. 21-22, 2023: Blue Harbor, Sheboygan
 - Dec. 1, 2023: State Bar Center, Madison
 - Feb. 23, 2024: Virtual

In-person CLE Seminars and Webinars

- **Annual Meeting & Conference**
June 14-16, The Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee
Registration is still open and walk-ins are welcome
- **17th Annual Intellectual Property Academy**
July 20-21, The Abby Resort, Fontana, Wisconsin
- **42nd Annual Family Law Workshop**
August 10-12, Stone Harbor Resort & Conference Center, Sturgeon Bay
- **11th Annual Indian Law CLE**
August 17-18, Radisson Hotel & Conference Center - Oneida, Green Bay

For all in-person CLE seminars and conferences, visit [Wisbar MarketPlace](#).

► PINNACLE Book Spotlight: Three Revised Titles

New revisions of PINNACLE® Books just released:

- [LLCs and LLPs: A Wisconsin Handbook](#);
- [Advising Older Clients, Vol. II](#); and
- [Anderson on Wisconsin Insurance Law](#).

In addition, all of the codebooks will be updated and available this spring.

PINNACLE titles, except for codebooks, are now available in print and online with [Books UnBound™](#). Read your favorite State Bar books in your office or on your phone, tablet, or laptop. Books UnBound is perfect for court or to use in meetings with clients or colleagues.

Questions? Contact Publications Manager [Carol Chapman](#).

► PINNACLE Seminar Spotlight: Don't Miss These Three CLE Events

Artificial Intelligence, Deepfakes, and Disinformation

This program will cover the reality and danger of deepfakes and AI that can affect all practice areas. Whether it's a fake video or audio clip relating to a case, or a viral video of a well-known person entirely falsified by someone else, the legal profession needs to keep abreast of this technology and its capabilities.

The presenter, Todd Helmus, is a senior behavioral scientist at the RAND Corporation and a nationally recognized expert on disinformation and violent extremism. Learn more about the current and potential policies in place to protect Americans from deepfakes.

Please note, this topic is rapidly evolving. The program is a 6-part series that will occur over next few months.



Significant Supreme Court Decisions 2023

This program will address some of the important cases that the U.S. Supreme Court has heard over the last year. Whether the Court decided the case or declined to issue an opinion, you will walk away knowing more about the potential impacts of the decision—or lack thereof. The program concludes with a leading Wisconsin educator/professor opining on the decisions and future direction of the Court. The webcast is set for Wednesday, June 28, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 12:05 p.m. Replays will air through the end of August.

Ethics Spotlight: New Lawyer Trust Account Rules

The Trust Account rules for lawyers are scheduled to change on July 1, 2023. PINNACLE is providing a series of six CLEs that will dissect the new rules and provide important information on the changes lawyers and their firms will need to make by July 1:

- Lawyer Trust & Fiduciary Basics
- Fee Agreements, Credit Cards & Trust Account Questions
- Concrete Answers to Common Trust Account Questions
- Ethical Requirements for Processing ACH, Wire & Credit Card Payments
- Fee Agreement Workshop: Supreme Court Rules
- Best Practices for Opening a Law Firm

To register for these six CLE Programs visit [Wisbar Marketplace - General Search](#). Questions? Contact Seminars Manager [Tim Clark](#).



We're Working Together for the Common Good

Section Reports

The **Children and the Law Section** and State Bar PINNACLE is presenting “Expanding Your Practice: Practical Tips to Avoid Appeals and Ethical Considerations in Child Law” on October 27. Subject matter includes ethical considerations when practicing in child law, practical tips to avoid an appeal in juvenile court, and the process for case appeals.

The **Environmental Law Section** and State Bar PINNACLE are planning the Annual Environmental Law Update for September 14. The Section recently purchased 111,000 pounds of carbon offsets with the lunch budget surplus of last year’s event.

Registration is open for the **42nd Annual Family Law Workshop**, set for Aug. 10-12, at Stone Harbor Resort & Conference Center in Sturgeon Bay.

The **Litigation Section** is providing a diversity scholarship to any State Bar member who would like to join the section. Information/application: Contact Section Coordinator **Christine Casey**.

The **Annual Indian Law CLE** is set for August 17-18, 2023, at the Oneida Casino and Radisson Hotel in Green Bay.

The **17th Annual Intellectual Property and Academy** is set for July 20-21, 2023, at The Abbey Resort in Lake Geneva.

Division Reports

Each division is presenting a CLE at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 15:

- **Nonresident Lawyers Division**
“Name, Image, Likeness: Current Legal Issues for College Athletes, 11:10 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
- **Government Lawyers Division**
“Elections, Engagement, and Employment: How the Pandemic Changed the Public’s Expectations of Government,” 1:35-2:50 p.m.

- **Young Lawyers Division and Senior Lawyers Division with Practice411**
“Ethically Navigating Communication Minefields,” 3:15-4:30 p.m.

Networking at AMC

The **Senior Lawyers Division** is sponsoring a networking luncheon on Thursday for division members and new lawyers. The **Young Lawyers Division** is sponsoring a networking reception for division members and judges.

Member Recognition Ceremony at AMC

Each division will be recognizing the following attorneys for their contributions to the legal profession:

- Government Lawyers Division: Grant F. Langley Award – Michael May (posthumously)
- Nonresident Lawyers Division: Founders Award – Anu Chudasama
- Senior Lawyers Division: Leonard L. Loeb Award – Michael May (posthumously)
- Young Lawyers Division: Outstanding Young Lawyer – Lisa Procaccio
- Young Lawyers Division: Outstanding Mentor Award – Jason Luczak

Member Recognition Ceremony at AMC takes place Thursday, June 15 from 6 to 7 p.m.

► Committee Reports

Diversity Inclusion & Oversight Committee (DIOC): The Board of Governors unanimously approved by voice vote the proposed updates to the State Bar’s DEIA Action Plan recommended by the 2022 DEIA Plan Committee.

Leadership Summit Subcommittee: The group gathered to debrief following the April 22 event held at the State Bar Center. Out of this year’s class, all but one has returned their volunteer interest form and are eagerly waiting for a volunteer service assignment. We will be circulating a call for nominations in November giving you an opportunity to identify new lawyers you would recommend for engagement opportunities for the 2024 Leadership Summit.

Leadership Academy Subcommittee: The G. Lane Ware Leadership Academy completed another successful year in April. About half of the participants also expressed interest in greater engagement in the State Bar by returning volunteer interest forms. Applications for the 2023-24 program are accepted Aug. 1-Sept. 11, 2023. Program information can be found on the [G. Lane Ware Leadership Academy page](#) on wisbar.org. If you’d like to recommend someone for the Leadership Academy, please contact [Annette Ashley](#).

AMC Scholarships: Thanks to funds provided by the Wisconsin Law Foundation, over 10 Leadership Summit and Leadership Academy participants who have committed to taking on a volunteer service position in the State Bar will receive a scholarship to attend the AMC.

We're Advocating for Justice, Clients, the Legal System and Profession

► **Joint Finance Committee Unanimously Supports Criminal Justice Funding**

With summer fast approaching, the Wisconsin Legislature is expected to wrap up the 2023-2025 state budget. On May 16, the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) voted unanimously to make significant investments in the criminal justice system, a top advocacy priority for the State Bar.

Proposals in the Joint Finance vote included:

- increasing the starting hourly pay for new assistant district attorneys and state public defenders to \$36 per hour;
- approving salary adjustments and pay progression for assistant district attorneys and state public defenders by \$8.76 per hour;
- increasing the private bar rate to \$100 per hour with an increase in travel reimbursement to \$50 per hour, and;
- funding for four additional circuit court branches and cybersecurity initiatives for the court.

These investments are the direct result of the grassroots advocacy of hundreds of State Bar members reaching out to their legislators, along with the unified and coordinated efforts of prosecutor's associations, the State Public Defender's Office, and the courts. The JFC budget proposal must first go before the legislature for approval before it's signed into law by Gov. Evers. With the initial bipartisan support for criminal justice funding, we are cautiously optimistic for a favorable outcome.

The budget bills were introduced in March as [AB 43](#) and [SB 70](#).

► **What Are The State Bar Advocacy Priorities This Fall?**

The Advocacy and Access to Justice Team will focus their efforts this fall on expungement reform and lobbying section issues.

A proposal for expungement reform was introduced as [AB 37](#) and [SB 38](#) at a public hearing on April 18. In previous sessions, the Assembly passed its version of the bill, with the Senate version failing to reach the floor for a full chamber vote. If this session is to be different, it will require grassroots support from State Bar members.

The continued support and voice of our members is critical to educating lawmakers about issues that impact the legal profession and access to justice. All State Bar Governors are encouraged to [send a message](#) on priority issues, and to encourage your colleagues and constituent State Bar members to do the same. If you have already sent a message, we encourage you to send a follow up.

➡ Connecting Lawmakers with Lawyers



(Photo) On May 5, the State Bar’s advocacy team partnered with the Rock County Bar Association and Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) to discuss the chronic underfunding of Wisconsin’s criminal justice system and to gain legislative support.

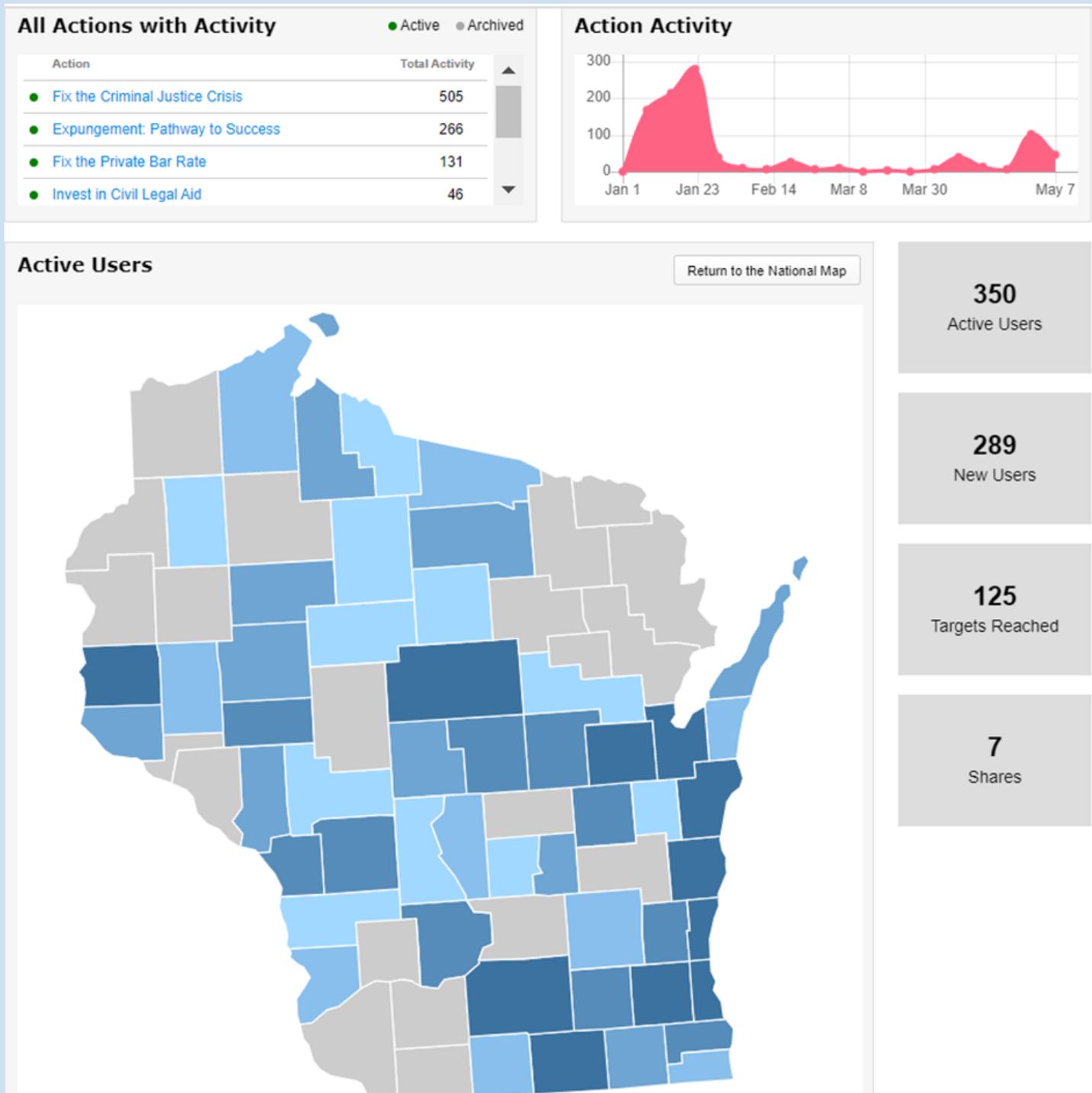
Legislators in attendance included Sen. Mark Spreitzer (D–Beloit), Rep. Susan Conley (D–Janesville), and Rep. Scott Johnson (R–Jefferson). Also in attendance: Rock County District Attorney David O’Leary, local public defenders and prosecutors, three Rock County circuit court judges, State Bar governor Shanna Sanders, and CJCC Coordinator Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen.

Other grassroots advocacy highlights include:

- A civil legal aid action alert was sent to all members and partner organizations of the Civil Legal Aid Alliance of Wisconsin on April 12. It resulted in 46 messages to 30 legislators.
- Continuing messages were sent on criminal justice system funding through appeals on www.justicebreakingpoint.com and social media posts. As of press deadline, this resulted in 494 emails, eight phone calls, and three tweets to 105 legislators and Gov. Evers.
- Numerous articles were published on the Wisbar website, as well as in *InsideTrack*, *Wisconsin Lawyer*, and *Rotunda Report* on the topic of the criminal justice system.

- An action alert in increasing the private bar rate for SPD appointments was sent to all members on May 4. This resulted in 131 messages sent to 69 legislators.

➡ Action Alert Summary



► Four Legislators Honored with Scales of Justice Award

Sen. Joan Ballweg (R–Markesan), Sen. Eric Wimberger (R–Green Bay), Rep. Jessie Rodriguez (R–Oak Creek) and Rep. Ron Tusler (R–Harrison), are recipients of the Scales of Justice Awards, presented by the State Bar’s Legislative Oversight Committee. The four legislators were honored for their efforts during the 2021-22 legislative session advancing issues of importance to the judicial system in the legislature, ultimately resulting in several new state laws.

Sen. Ballweg and Rep. Rodriguez were recognized for their leadership on behalf of the State Bar’s Family Law Section, notably passing legislation involving contingency placement, expansion of court commissioner abilities, and child/family support transparency.

Sen. Wimberger and Rep. Tusler were acknowledged for their passage of Business Law’s rewrite of the business entity chapters, as well as the enactment of the Family Law initiatives related to stipulated agreements and de novo review.



Rep. Jessie Rodriguez (center) with Larry Martin, Cheryl Furstace Daniels, Margaret Hickey, and Chuck Stertz.



Rep. Ron Tusler (second from left) with Cheryl Furstace Daniels, Dean Dietrich, and Chuck Stertz.



Attorneys Bob Gagan (far left) and George Burnett (far right) of Conway Law Firm in Green Bay accompany Chuck Stertz, Cheryl Furstace Daniels, Sen. Eric Wimberger, Margaret Hickey, and Dean Dietrich.



Sen. Joan Ballweg (center) with Cheryl Furstace Daniels, Dean Dietrich, Chuck Stertz, and Larry Martin.

➤ LRIS Launches New Self-Referral Program

The Lawyer Referral & Information Service (LRIS) launched their enhanced online self-referral program on May 15. The online feature is an improvement over the previous version, allowing those looking for an attorney to perform a search on their own based on location, specialty, legal issue, time deadlines or court dates, and any attorneys involved. It's also available in English and Spanish. The cost is \$30 for each self-referral.

➤ Connecting Attorneys with Clients

In fiscal year '23, LRIS panel members received 8,156 vetted referrals from 24,615 calls. There is a need for more panel members, particularly in rural areas. To learn more, visit [Lawyer Referral Programs](#) on wisbar.org.

➤ Helping the Public Understand Legal Issues

"Know Your Legal Rights," a bi-monthly newspaper column written by panel members in the Lawyer Referral and Information Service, appeared in 28 newspapers in April, bringing the total to 313 stories since the partnership formed with the Wisconsin Newspaper Association (WNA) in April 2022.

The two articles include:

- ["Divorce: Don't forget to divide your retirement plans – or it may haunt you later"](#) (Andrew Laufers, Laufers Legal Services)
- ["Why you need a power of attorney for healthcare – and how to get one – with or without an attorney"](#) (Jill Lendu Johnson, J. Johnson Law Group)

➤ Spotlighting Issues: Facilitating and Promoting Media Coverage

The State Bar received mentions in the following media stories:

- Wisconsin Public Radio: ["Report: Pay increases needed for Wisconsin's public defenders, prosecutors"](#)

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- *Wisconsin State Journal, Lake Geneva Regional News, Chippewa Herald, Kenosha News, La Crosse Tribune, Racine Journal Times, and wiscnews.com.* “[State-funded attorneys in Wisconsin point to low pay, shortages as Tony Evers calls for more money](#)”
- Wisconsin Public Radio: “[Advance directives: Planning ahead for future healthcare needs](#)” (Ben Adams, McCarty Law)
- *Cambridge News & Deerfield Independent/Wausau Pilot & Review:* “[May 1 is Law Day: Help us support the cornerstones of democracy](#)” (Margaret Hickey and Larry Martin)
- *Wisconsin Law Journal:* “[May 1 Law Day: State Bar of Wisconsin leadership calling on Wisconsin attorneys to support democracy](#)”



WTMJ4 (Milwaukee) reporter Jenna Ray (above) interviewed Nicole Beitzinger of O’Neill, Cannon, Hollman, DeJong & Lain for [her story on the importance of having a healthcare power of attorney](#). She pointed to the State Bar’s free download, “A Gift to Your Family. Planning for Future Health Needs.” This was made available for free prior to and during Healthcare Decisions Week in Wisconsin.

Promoting Public Understanding of the Law: Wisconsin Law Foundation

► Law Foundation Awards \$25,000 in McNulty Grants

Thanks to strong donor support, the Wisconsin Law Foundation has awarded Truman Q. McNulty grants totaling \$25,000 to 10 nonprofit organizations across the state. These high-impact grants promote public understanding of the law; improve the administration of justice; and support projects that directly help Wisconsin residents. Recipients include:

- ABC for Health – Community Legal Education for Health Coverage Rights & Responsibilities During Medicaid Unwinding Program
- Briarpatch Youth Services, Inc. – Restorative Justice Program
- Catholic Multicultural Center – CMC Immigration Legal Services Program
- Centro Legal – Family Consultation Program
- Crawford County Teen Court
- Grant County Teen Court
- Milwaukee Justice Center – Civil Legal Aid Helpline
- Sauk County Family Law Court – Sauk County Pro Se Family Law Clinic
- Vera Court Neighborhood Center, Inc. – Vera Court Neighborhood Center Legal Clinic (New)
- Wisconsin Teen Court Association – Restorative Justice Summit

► Law Foundation Fellows: Madison Event Honors 2023 Class this Fall

The Annual Wisconsin Law Foundation Fellows Recognition Dinner will be held Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023, at Monona Terrace in Madison. The Fellows will honor new inductees and present the Charles L. Goldberg Distinguished Service Award, given annually to one lawyer in recognition of lifetime service in the public interest.

The Fellows program recognizes State Bar members who have demonstrated outstanding legal ability and devotion to the wellbeing of their community, state, and nation, as well as to the advancement of the legal profession. Opportunity to join the Fellows is limited to 2.5% of the State Bar's total membership and is extended, by nomination, only to a limited number of Wisconsin lawyers each year.

► Every Member, Every Year

The Wisconsin Law Foundation is launching the "Every Member, Every Year" campaign to support and expand our mission and work.

Simply put, we are asking every member to give a donation of any amount to your Law Foundation at least once every year.

With the annual support of every State Bar of Wisconsin member, the Law Foundation will be in a strong position to promote civic understanding, leadership development, access to justice, and programming that raises up greater diversity and inclusion.

With the annual support of all 25,000 State Bar members, we will be empowered to continue to support critically needed programs and services at a time when demand and need has never been higher.

Our efforts are ambitious, but we cannot do it without the support of every member of Wisconsin's legal profession.

Please join us today by committing to make an annual contribution—*in any amount*. You choose when, you choose how much. With the support of **Every Member, Every Year** our impact will continue to grow ever stronger into the future.

Ways to Give

- Include a donation on line 9 of your State Bar dues statement;
- Donate online at wisbar.org/wlfdonate; or
- Use your phone camera to scan the QR code.

To scan the code, open the camera app on your phone, then point the camera at the QR code and a banner will appear. When you tap the banner, it opens the donation webpage on wisbar.org.



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► Providing Ethics Guidance

The Ethics Program provides guidance regarding Wisconsin's Rules of Professional Conduct for Attorneys. Ethics counsel delivered 13 presentations from February to March, with five through PINNACLE. A sampling includes:

- "Ethical Issues in Tribal Government and in the Use of Executive Session" (37th Annual Coming Together of Peoples Conference)
- "ChatGPT and Its Ethical Implications" and "Professional Identity Formation" (Wisconsin National Guard JAG Corp.)
- "Ethical Requirements for Processing ACH, Wire Transfers & Credit Card Payments" (PINNACLE)
- "Conflicts in Multiple Representation" (Sheboygan Bar Association)
- "The OLR Process and Impacts—Ethical Considerations for Prosecutors" (2023 SPET Conference)

Ethics counsel wrote two articles:

- ["Dilemma: Testifying as an Expert: What Conflicts Arise?"](#) (*InsideTrack*)
- ["Dilemma: What is 'Directly Adverse' Authority](#) (*InsideTrack*)

Questions? Contact Ethics Counsel Aviva Kaiser or Tim Pierce, or call the Ethics Hotline at (800) 254-9154.

► Practice411: Supporting the Business of Law

State Bar Practice411TM Law Practice Assistance Manager Christopher Shattuck met with members for virtual roundtable law practice management discussions in April and May to discuss lawyer marketing rules, emerging generative AI technologies, and industry benchmark reports.



Shattuck wrote two articles:

- ["AI and Emerging Technology Can Increase Law Practice Efficiencies"](#) (*Wisconsin Lawyer*)
- ["Johnson Financial Group Offers Financial Solutions for Lawyers and Firms"](#) (*InsideTrack*)

Practice411 teamed up with ethics counsel, PINNACLE, and the Office of Lawyer Regulation to produce the following programs to explain the new trust account rules that will become effective July 1:

- [Concrete Answers to Common Trust Account Questions 2023](#)
- [Ethical Requirements for Processing ACH, Wire Transfers & Credit Card Payments 2023](#)
- [Fee Agreement Workshop: Supreme Court Rules 2023](#)
- [Lawyer Trust & Fiduciary Account Basics 2023](#)
- [Fee Agreements, Credit Card Payments, and Trust Account Obligations 2023](#)

Shattuck provided the following CLE presentations:

- “Technology for Transitioning Lawyers” (Senior Lawyers Division)
- “Tips for Keeping Current in the Law & Using Artificial Intelligence Safely 2023” (Senior Lawyers Division”)
- “Practical Tips for Young Lawyers Navigating a Complex Profession” (Young Lawyers Division)

► Prioritizing the Well-being of Lawyers

Recognizing the shortage of staff vacancies in district attorney offices, low pay, high caseloads and ensuing stress, WisLAP staff facilitated the first-ever Prosecutors Peer Support Bootcamp at the State Prosecutors Education and Training Conference in Pewaukee, May 9-12.

Participants in the five-hour workshop learned about the peer-to-peer support model, motivational interviewing, resilience, defensive pessimism, active listening, and helping versus enabling. Once certified, volunteers will be peer certified support specialists.

► Well-being Week in Law

In recognition of the importance of promoting health and wellness within the legal profession, WisLAP featured State Bar staff in a LinkedIn campaign participating in “Well-being Week in Law,” May 1-5. Themes during the week included mindfulness, yoga, walking, hydration, and overall well-being. Information provided:

- Four lawyers shared their tips for making health a priority **“Lawyer Well-being: ‘It’s Good to Know You’re Not Alone.’** (*InsideTrack*)
- President Hickey’s April *Wisconsin Lawyer* column, **“Laws Matter, and So Do Lawyers,”** focused on lawyer health and wellness.

WisLAP offers more than 150 trained volunteer lawyers and judges who can provide peer support. For confidential assistance, call the WisLAP Line at (800) 543-2625.



Rose Simon-Silva, an attorney with the Village of Menominee Falls, shared her health and wellness tips in *InsideTrack*.

► Diversity Clerkship Program Update

The Diversity Clerkship Program has matched 25 students and employers for the summer. The Soft Skills Workshop took place May 17, 2023, titled "*Lawyering Skills Class and Workshop*". Attorney Kristen Hardy and Attorney Alex Lodge facilitated the workshop.

► Law Student Outreach

The State Bar is committed to exposing law students to the benefits, services and experiences the State Bar offers to members so they will choose to practice law in Wisconsin and become active in the State Bar when they graduate.

The Lawyering Skills Workshop for U.W. law students took place April 18 at the State Bar. There were 39 students in attendance.

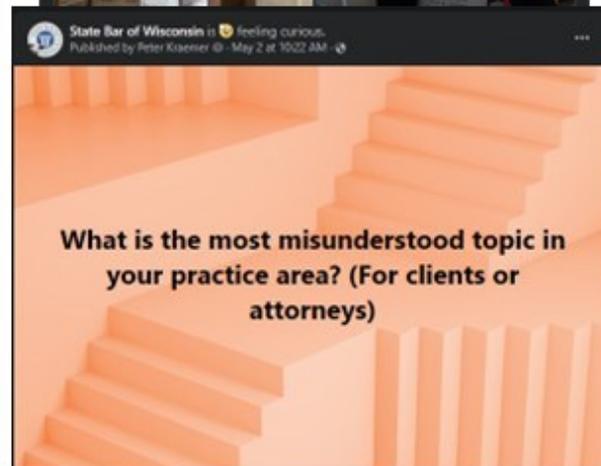
Just the Facts, a State Bar newsletter, connects every law school student at U.W. and Marquette law schools informing them of services provided to associate student members. [Check out the April Edition](#) on WisBar.org under Law Student Associate News.

Social Media: A Look at Top Content

Increasingly, our members engage with the State Bar and each other through our social media channels. Join the conversation; connect with us on Facebook, Twitter (@statebarofwi), LinkedIn, and Instagram (@statebarofwi). Here are some recent metrics and examples that demonstrate how social media plays a role in advancing our mission.

Facebook

Posts and metrics from Apr. 3 – May 22, 2023 (compared to period prior)



LinkedIn

Posts and metrics from Apr. 3 – May 22, 2023 (compared to period prior)



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The **Milwaukee Brewers'** Marti Wronski, one of a handful of women executives in Major League Baseball, moves from general counsel to chief operating officer.

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A League of Her Own: Brewers Elevate Wronski to COO
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Congratulations! 🎉 Welcome to these new lawyers, including those who passed the Wisconsin Bar Exam and via foreign license. Some are just beginning their careers in law, and others are finding new opportunities in Wisconsin.

👉 New lawyers: As you begin your career in Wisconsin, we hope you'll continue engaging with your State Bar! We have a ton of resources available for you at <https://lnkd.in/gPBCir7F>. Best wishes!

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🔴 State Bar staff are wearing red today to raise awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

Did you know: The murder rate in the U.S. is 10 times higher for Indigenous women and girls? That's according to a recent report by the Urban Indian Health Institute.

👉 Learn more about this crisis and how a Wisconsin Department of Justice task force is working to address it https://lnkd.in/g_F9-be5

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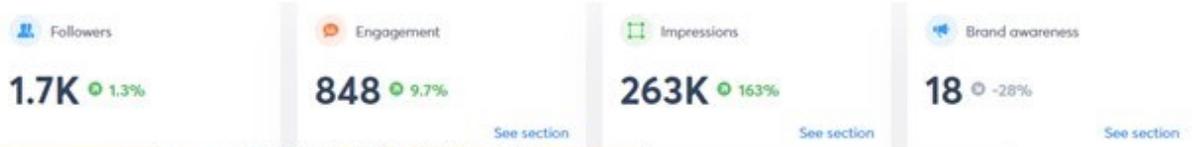
Congratulations to Judge Janet Protasiewicz, elected to the Wisconsin Supreme Court. Thanks to Justice Daniel Kelly for his years of service to the Court and the profession.

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Instagram

Posts and metrics from Apr. 3 – May 22, 2023 (compared to period prior)



statebarofwi Thrilled to welcome 24 young lawyers for the Leadership Development Summit!

Nominated for their interest in service to the profession, these new lawyers gained the tools to become tomorrow's leaders during this half-day program.

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statebarofwi New lawyers gathered in Oshkosh last week to connect and learn practical skills at the Young Lawyers Conference. The State Bar's Young Lawyers Division (YLD) encourages members to be leaders in the profession and their communities. Learn more and get involved at

www.wisbar.org/yld

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savemesomecake So many friendly, familiar faces! Looks like a great

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statebarofwi What's it like arguing a case before the Wisconsin Supreme Court for the first time? J. Wesley Webendorfer shares his experience preparing for and conducting his first oral argument.

<https://bit.ly/sbw29726>

From the piece

"My argument was the second of the morning. My partner and I arrived at the court early, and we sat in the gallery and listened to the attorneys in the first case present their arguments. I purposely did not review my outline or the arguments I was about to

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Larry Martin is actively engaging with members and thought-leaders on Twitter (@LarryJMartinED). Connect with him! A selection of his recent tweets are below.



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Thanks to the WI Joint Committee on Finance, with bi-partisan support, unanimously voted to make significant investments in our criminal justice system!

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SBW Rotunda Report @SBWRotundaRpt · May 16

.@StateBarofWI presidents' statement on JFC's justice funding votes: wispolitics.com/2023/state-bar...



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Greatly looking forward to working with our newly elected leaders and a big thanks to everyone who stepped up and ran in service to furthering justice and the profession!

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State Bar of Wisconsin @StateBarofWI · Apr 28

Congratulations to Jane Bucher, newly elected president-elect of the State Bar! Deanne Koll was elected treasurer & Saveon Grenell was elected Judicial Council rep.

Election results bit.ly/sbw29766.

Thank you to all the candidates! 🙌

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On Wisconsin! And On Wisconsin Law!
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University of Wisconsin Law School @WisconsinLaw · May 12

Huge round of applause 🙌
Congratulations to our 2023 Spring graduates! We can't wait to hear and read about the great things you will achieve. We'll miss you, and we are honored to have been a part of your journey. #OnWisconsin



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Thanks to @JoshKaulWI for joining us for @StateBarofWI Board meeting this past Friday. Greatly appreciated his remarks.

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State Bar of Wisconsin @StateBarofWI · Apr 17

Wisconsin AG Josh Kaul addressed the State Bar's Board of Governors, and the Board authorized the Professional Ethics Committee to file a petition with the WI Supreme Court to make changes to the attorney's oath, among other actions at its meeting wisbar.org/NewsPublicatio...

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I'm most definitely in! Looking forward to what will be a great @StateBarofWI AMC in Milwaukee. Best program yet and there will be a strong bench/bar presence this year with a number of Justices and Judges from across the State joining us! See you in June!
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Deanne Koll @WILegalEagle · Apr 10

Just booked my room for @StateBarofWI Annual Meeting & Conference in June at The Pfister in Milwaukee. Who's coming with me???? #sbwamc