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AWARDS LUNCHEON

Dear ISBA Members and Guests,

Welcome to the annual ISBA Awards Luncheon! This event is the Indiana legal community's finest hour. The award winners are superstars of the ISBA. Please join me in recognizing the recipients for their contributions to our system of justice, years of service in the legal community and skills in their areas of expertise. These men and women help make the Association the strong and vibrant organization it is today.

Enjoy the lunch and fellowship!

A handwritten signature in white ink, reading "Jeff R. Hawkins". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

**Jeff R. Hawkins
ISBA President**

🏛️ Presidential Citations 🏛️

Presented by ISBA President Jeff R. Hawkins, the following citations recognize individuals for their exceptional contributions to the profession of law and the citizens of Indiana.

Ted A. Waggoner, Rochester, is managing partner at the firm Peterson Waggoner & Perkins. He received his B.S. from Indiana State University in 1975 and his J.D. from the I.U. Maurer School of Law in 1978.

Waggoner is an active member of the Fulton County (past president), Indiana State (counsel to the president, 2014-15) and American bar associations, and the Indiana (Life Master Fellow) and American (Life Fellow) bar foundations. He is also active with the Chamber of Commerce (2004 Community Citizen of the Year), Rochester Optimist Club, I.U. Maurer School of Law Board of Visitors, and the International Christian Church – Disciples of Christ (former vice moderator). Waggoner is in his second term as a member of the board of directors for the Christian Church Foundation, and a member of the board of trustees of the Christian Theological Seminary.

Andrew R. Klein joined the faculty at the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2000 and became dean in 2013. He is also the Paul E. Beam Professor of Law. From 2010-13, Dean Klein served as chief of staff to the Office of the Chancellor and Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at IUPUI.

Before joining I.U., he taught at Samford University's Cumberland School of Law and practiced with the Chicago firm of Sidley & Austin. Dean Klein earned his B.A., with distinction, in journalism and economics from the University of Wisconsin and his J.D., with distinction, from the Emory University School of Law, where he studied as a Robert W. Woodruff Fellow in Law and was editor-in-chief of the *Emory Law Journal*.

Dean Klein's scholarship focuses on the intersection of tort and environmental law. He is co-author of two casebooks, *Toxic and Environmental Torts: Cases and Materials* (Thomson/West 2011) and *Torts: Cases, Problems and Exercises* (Lexis/Nexis 4th ed. 2013), as well as a student-oriented textbook, *Mastering Tort Law* (Carolina Academic Press 2009).

Dean Klein is a member of the American Law Institute and serves on the executive committee of the Association of American Law Schools' section on Torts and Compensation Systems. He also has served as reporter for the Seventh Circuit United States Court of Appeals Civil Jury Instructions Committee and is a Distinguished Fellow of the Indianapolis and Indiana Bar foundations. In addition, Dean Klein is a dedicated classroom teacher who has won 10 student teaching awards during his career.

Ann Marie Waldron is a sole practitioner in Indianapolis, where she concentrates in the areas of commercial lending, real estate transactions, business litigation and personal injury litigation. Immediately following law school, she clerked for Hon. Robert H. Staton, Court of Appeals of Indiana.

Waldron has been active with the Indiana Mock Trial Association since 1999 and served as a member of the National High School Mock Trial Board from 2011 to 2015. Currently, she serves on the board of directors of the Notre Dame Club of Indianapolis. She is a member of the Indianapolis and Indiana State (incoming chair, GP, Solo & Small Firm Section; program chair, Solo & Small Firm Conference) bar associations, and the Order of Barristers.

Waldron received her B.A. from the University of Notre Dame in 1991 and her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 1995, where she served as the first symposium editor of the *Indiana Law Review*.

In her spare time, she enjoys traveling and is an avid scuba diver, having done more than 100 dives throughout the Caribbean and South America. Her other interests include college football and basketball, as well as major and minor-league baseball.

Thomas M. Frohman is a staff attorney for Indiana Legal Services in its Bloomington office, where he has served for the last 30 years. He received his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the I.U. Maurer School of Law in 1983. After graduation, he clerked for Hon. William I. Garrard, Indiana Court of Appeals, for 14 months before taking his current position. Frohman focuses his work in the areas of family law, unemployment law and appellate practice, presenting on these topics at numerous CLE offerings around the state. He is a member of the Monroe County and Indiana State bar associations. He served as an adjunct professor at the I.U. Maurer School of Law from 2005-2009.

Jeffrey S. Dible, Indianapolis, is a member of the firm Frost Brown Todd, where he has practiced since 1994. He has been certified as an estate planning & administration specialist by the Estate Planning & Administration Specialty Certification Board of the ISBA Probate, Trust & Real Property Section, of which he is also a member. He is a frequent presenter of estate planning and tax matters for local organizations. He received his B.S. from Purdue University in 1976 and his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the I.U. Maurer School of Law in 1979.

Dible is a member of the Indianapolis (past chair, Estate Planning & Administration Section) and Indiana State (chair, Taxation Section, 2002-03) bar associations and the American College of Trust & Estate Counsel (Fellow). He is active with the Estate Planning Council of Indianapolis (past president).

🌸 Golden Career Awards 🌸

The Indiana State Bar Association proudly honors the following ISBA members for achieving a Golden Career of 50 years in the practice of law.

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David W. Bahlmann, Muncie
Hon. Betty Barteau, Indianapolis
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James E. Bourne, New Albany
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Sherrill W. Colvin, Fort Wayne
Clyde D. Compton, Merrillville
Ray M. Druley, Fort Branch
David R. DuBois, Portage
Donald H. Dunnuck, Muncie
Leonard E. Eilbacher, Fort Wayne
Robert G. Elrod, Indianapolis
William A. Fawcett, Bloomington
Hon. Thomas G. Fisher, Indianapolis
Hon. Ralph M. Foley, Martinsville
William L. Fortin, Plymouth
Hon. Ezra H. Friedlander,
Indianapolis
Thomas E. Fruechtenicht,
Indianapolis
Margaret M. Huff, Portland, OR
Barton L. Kaufman, Carmel
Hon. Robert P. Kennedy, Valparaiso
Lloyd E. Koehler, New Albany
Robert S. Koor, Muncie
Philip H. Larmore, Fort Wayne
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Frank T. Lewis, Lexington, KY
C. William Lohmeyer, New Albany
David E. McClure, Indianapolis
J. Lee McNeely, Shelbyville
Lee B. McTurnan, Carmel
Douglas E. Miller, Oxford, MS
Thomas N. Mote, Columbus
Arthur C. Nordhoff Jr., Jasper
Douglas B. Oler, Richmond

Richard H. Riegner, Indianapolis
C. Michael Riley, Rensselaer
Morris Rosen, South Bend
John M. Sayre III, Richmond
D. Reed Scism, Fishers
Kenneth L. Scrogam, Fort Wayne
William J. Skinner, Lakeworth, FL
Byron W. Steele, Bedford
Arland T. Stein Sr., Columbus, OH
Stephen W. Sutherlin, Zionsville
Beverly J. Swihart, Amherst, MA
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Robert F. Welker, Temple Terrace, FL
John W. Whiteleather Jr.,
Columbia City
Stephen J. Williams, Fort Wayne

🌸 25 Year Membership Recognition 🌸

Susan J. Adams, Portage
Bruce J. Alvarado, Fortville
Robert A. Anderson, Merrillville
William W. Barrett, Greenwood
M. Scott Barrett, Bloomington
Thomas B. Bays, Indianapolis
Michael A. Beason, Indianapolis
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Sally A. Blankenship, Lawrenceburg
David B. Boodt, Carmel
William M. Braman, Seymour
Gregg R. Bredensteiner, Indianapolis
Mark V. Bromund, Carmel
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Rosalyn A. Carothers, Jeffersonville
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 Richmond Hill, GA
William A. Carr, Fortville
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David G. Clark, Munster
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Mark D. Commons, Indianapolis
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Robert T. Dassow, Indianapolis
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Robert J. DeLaney, Richmond
Mary L. McQueen DePrez, Shelbyville
Michael A. Derucki, Mishawaka
Andrew J. Detherage, Indianapolis
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Grant W. Hawkins, Indianapolis
Leslie Craig Henderzahn, Fishers
David J. Hensel, Indianapolis
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Jacqueline Sells Homann,
 South Bend
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Jeffrey A. Lewellyn, Terre Haute
Sandra W. Lewis, Jeffersonville
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Dean G. Malone, Louisville, KY
Mark S. Massa, Indianapolis
Mark R. McConnell, Jasper
Jeffrey L. McKean, Indianapolis
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Edward R. Moor, Evanston, IL
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Richard P. Nover, Indianapolis
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Brian G. Poindexter, Carmel
Dominic F. Polizzotto, Las Vegas, NV
Jacqueline B. Ponder, Indianapolis
Tracy S. Prewitt, Louisville, KY
Gary K. Price, Evansville
Tad D. Ransopher, Alpharetta, GA
Susan Jill Rice, Traverse City, MI
Christopher B. Rigsbee, Carmel
Shannon L. Robinson, Bloomington
Bryan S. Rudisill, Rockport
Michael G. Ruppert, Indianapolis
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Tom P. Stefaniak Jr., Crown Point

Brian G. Steinkamp, Indianapolis
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Barbara M. Szweda, Knoxville, TN
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Andrew J. Thompson, Indianapolis
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Carolyn M. Trier, Fort Wayne
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Daniel B. Vinovich, Highland
Debra Voltz-Miller, South Bend
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Paul S. Ward, Indianapolis
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Indianapolis
Martha B. Wentworth, Indianapolis
Jeffrey S. Wilson, Indianapolis
Mark E. Wirey, Greenwood
Lance W. Wonderlin, Indianapolis
David E. Woodward, Merrillville
Matthew A. Yeakey, Elkhart
Mario J. Zappia, South Bend
Jeffrey S. Zipes, Carmel

☞ Affiliate Member Award ☞

Sponsored by the Affiliate Membership Committee

Hon. Edward W. Najam Jr., Chair

This award recognizes an affiliate member of the Indiana State Bar Association who has contributed to the legal profession.

Recipient:

Lori A. Wagner is a co-administrator and paralegal at the Fort Wayne firm Burt Blee Dixon Sutton & Bloom, where she has been with the firm since 1983. Currently, she is in charge of office billing and financial reporting, performs paralegal duties in the collection department and serves as the firm's liaison between the IT specialist and the attorneys. She also frequently assists attorneys during trials and mediations through her compilation of data and presentation of exhibits, demonstrative evidence and video brochures.

Wagner is dedicated to her job, family and community. She has served as the Northeast Indiana Paralegal Association's representative to the National Federation of Paralegal Associations, as well as serving on their planning committee. She is a member of the Fort Wayne South Bend Diocese School Board and is very active at St. Rose School.

🏆 David Hamacher Public Service Award 🏆

Sponsored by the Appellate Practice Section

Brian J. Paul, Chair

The David Hamacher Public Service Award is named in memory of David M. Hamacher, former chair of the ISBA Appellate Practice Section and one of the most active members of the section. This award honors high moral character and ethical standards, service to the community and peacemaking qualities.

Recipient:

Charles L. Berger, Evansville, Berger & Berger, focuses his practice in the areas of personal injury law, civil litigation and labor and employment law. He received his B.A. in history from the University of Evansville in 1969 and his J.D., *cum laude*, from the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 1972. Immediately following graduation, Berger returned home to Evansville to practice law with his father, Sydney, with whom he practiced until 1988.

From 1973 to 1977, Berger served as director of the Indiana Lawyers Commission. He has been active with the Indiana State Bar Association, having served as chair of its Trial Lawyers Section in 1982-83. Berger is also active with the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association (director, 1977-present; treasurer, 1982-83; vice president, 1984-85). Additionally, he has served as state committeeman for the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, 1975-79; president of the Brooks Inns of Court, 1988-89; member of the American Board of Trial Advocates; and Fellow of the Indiana Bar Foundation. From 1999 until 2002, Berger was elected to the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission. He served as a deputy prosecutor for Vanderburgh County from 1997 to 2013. He also was an adjunct professor of both constitutional and criminal law at the University of Southern Indiana, 1996-07.

Berger and his family have a long history of service to the Evansville community, including the annual Berger Award given at the University of Evansville and the University of Southern Indiana. Both are given in memory of his parents, Sadelle and Sydney.

In 2005, Berger received the James Bethel Gresham Freedom Award from the Evansville Bar Association. In that same year, he was appointed by the Indiana Supreme Court to serve as a member of the Indiana Supreme Court Rules Committee. In 2014, he received the Indiana Trial Lawyer of the Year Award.

Hon. Viola J. Taliaferro Award

Presented by the Civil Rights of Children Committee

J. Clare Deitchman, Chair

The Hon. Viola J. Taliaferro Award honors those individuals who best exemplify Judge Taliaferro's courageous, visionary leadership in addressing the unmet legal needs of children.

Recipient:

Hon. Heather M. Mollo has worked in the juvenile court of Bartholomew County since 2000, first as a juvenile referee and now as a juvenile magistrate. Mollo received her undergraduate degree from Franklin College in 1977 and her J.D. from the I.U. Maurer School of Law in 1983.

Locally, Mollo is a member of the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (current chair), Bartholomew County Youth Services Center (member, advisory board), District Eleven Legal Aid (board member), and the Regional Services Council for Region 14 (member). She is also active on several state judicial committees, including the Child Welfare Improvement Committee (current chair), Indiana State CASA (member, advisory board) and the Juvenile Benchbook Committee (member).

🏆 Rabb Emison Awards 🏆

Sponsored by the Diversity Committee

Sonia C. Das, Chair

The Rabb Emison Awards honor individuals and organizations who demonstrate a commitment to promote diversity and equality in the legal profession and in the membership of the State Bar. This award is named in memory of Mr. Emison, a past president of the Association, who was instrumental in encouraging diversity in the ISBA.

Individual Recipient:

Hon. Tanya Walton Pratt was appointed judge of the United States District Court, Southern District of Indiana, on June 15, 2010. Judge Pratt is the first African-American federal judge in Indiana history. She fills the vacancy created by the elevation of Hon. David F. Hamilton to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

From 2008 until her appointment to the bench of the District Court, Judge Pratt served as a judge in the Marion Superior Court, Probate Division. Previously, she served as presiding judge of Superior Court, Criminal Division 1, from Jan. 1, 1997 until Dec. 31, 2008. Prior to her election as judge, she was a partner at the Indianapolis firm Walton & Pratt, where she practiced in the areas of family law, personal injury, probate and criminal law. From 1994-96, she served as a master commissioner in the Marion Superior Court. Judge Pratt was also a public defender in Marion Superior Court, Criminal Division, for five years.

Judge Pratt is a member of the Indianapolis (past vice president), Marion County (member, board of directors) and Indiana State (member, House of Delegates; secretary, board of governors, 2009-10; past chair, Federal Judiciary Committee) bar associations, and the Federal Judges Association. She currently serves on the Seventh Circuit Pattern Civil Jury Instructions Committee and the Committee on Codes of Conduct for United States Judges. She has frequently served as faculty for ICLEF's Annual Practice Skills Summit, the Indiana Judicial Conference, and for both the Indiana State and Indianapolis bar associations. Judge Pratt is also active in several legal education and civic organizations, including the Indianapolis American Inn of Court (Master) and advisory boards for the United Negro College Fund, Cathedral High School and Catholic Charities of Indianapolis.

Judge Pratt received her B.A. from Spelman College in Atlanta, Ga., in 1981 and her J.D. from Howard University School of Law in Washington, D.C., in 1984. She is married to Hon. Marcel A. Pratt Jr.

Organization Recipient:

The mission of the **Center for Leadership Development (CLD)** is to foster the advancement of minority youth in central Indiana as future professional, business and community leaders by providing experiences that encourage personal development and educational attainment.

CLD offers an impressive spectrum of programs and affords youth and parents easy access to experiences unrivaled in range, depth and scope. This program covers youth in grades 4-12; offers distinct experiences for males and females to address their specific needs; and offers programming year-round. CLD even provides college counseling and personal enrichment for parents of participants and other adults. Furthermore, CLD offers a College Prep Institute to help get Indianapolis college-ready.

🐾 Gale Phelps Award 🐾

Sponsored by the Family & Juvenile Law Section

Cornelius (Neil) B. Hayes, Chair

This award is named in memory of Gale M. Phelps, a former chair of the ISBA Family & Juvenile Law Section and one of the most active members of the section. She was instrumental in creating the Family Law Specialist Certification in Indiana. This award is given annually to an attorney who has worked to elevate the standards of professionalism in the area of family law, including exceptional service to the profession, the highest level of competence, raising the level of professionalism and civility in domestic relations matters and high moral character

Recipient:

Donna J. Bays is the founder of Bays Family Law in Zionsville and is a Certified Family Law Specialist, certified by the Indiana Family Law Certification Board. She is a trained collaborative divorce professional, registered domestic relations mediator, parenting coordinator, and guardian ad litem. Bays received her B.S., *magna cum laude*, from Ball State University in 1979 and her J.D., *summa cum laude*, from the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 1984. She is a past chair of the Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) Family & Juvenile Law Section and she served as the 2011-12 chair of the ISBA Solo & Small Firm Conference Planning Committee. She is also a member of the ISBA Legal Ethics and Casemaker Improvement committees. Bays and her four-footed companion, Mordecai, serve as a volunteer JLAP therapy dog team.

🦋 Henry Hurst Judicial Assistance Award 🦋

Sponsored by the Federal Judiciary Committee

Hon. Jane E. Magnus-Stinson, Chair

The Henry Hurst Judicial Assistance Award is named in memory of Henry Hurst, the first federal clerk of the District Court for the District of Indiana, sworn in on May 5, 1817, and serving the entire state until 1835. Hurst exemplified the importance of having highly skilled personnel assisting the federal judiciary in order to promote justice and the efficiency of the courts.

This award is presented to an outstanding federal judicial staff member who serves the federal judiciary and the public with distinction, high moral character and ethical standards, dedication and professionalism. Eligible staff must be a member of one of the following: District Court Clerk's Office; District Bankruptcy Court Clerk's Office; or District Court Judge's Courtroom Staff.

The award will be presented to Southern District Courts in the odd-numbered years and to the Northern District Courts in the even-numbered years.

Recipient:

Rebecca L. Vail is the chief deputy clerk for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Indiana, where she has served since 2007. She has dedicated her professional career to supporting the federal judiciary, first joining the court family in 1992. In 1998, she worked in the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, where she broadened her skills and enlarged her focus to assist courts on a national level. In 2001, she became the chief deputy clerk in the Middle District of Florida, serving with distinction until relocating to Indianapolis to be closer to family.

Trailblazer/Abriendo Caminos Award

Sponsored by the Latino Affairs Committee

Alexis Vazquez Dedelow, Chair

The Latino Affairs Committee's Trailblazer/Abriendo Caminos Award recognizes the outstanding achievements, commitment and leadership of a lawyer that has paved the way for the advancement of other Latino attorneys and/or the Latino community.

Recipient:

Alexander J. Limontes, Indianapolis, is an attorney at the firm Mitchell Hurst Dick & McNelis, where he focuses on plaintiff's personal injury work. Originally from Florida, he came to Indiana in 1999 to play football at Hanover College. He received his J.D. from the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2007. During law school, he served as a law clerk at the firm Mitchell Hurst Jacobs & Dick. After graduation, Limontes started his career as a trial attorney with the Marion County Public Defender Agency. In 2011, he returned to work with William W. Hurst.

Limontes is very active with the Indianapolis (graduate, Bar Leader Series - Class X; current member, Membership Committee; current communication chair, Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee; past chair, Solo/Small Firm Committee; past chair, Diversity Job Fair; secretary, Young Lawyers Division, Diversity Job Fair & Strategic Planning Committee) and Indiana State (member, Diversity Committee; member, Standing Committee on Latino Affairs; participant, "Talk to a Lawyer Today" program) bar associations. He is also chair of the Young Lawyers Division of the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association.

He is active in several community organizations, including the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic, Julian Center, Muslim Legal Clinic and the Emberwood Center. Limonte is a frequent presenter on topics that involve representing or protecting the rights of Latinos and Hispanic immigrants.

He is also licensed to practice law in Florida.

🏆 Legal Ethics Essay Contest Award Winner 🏆

Presented by Legal Ethics Committee

Chrissy Astbury, 2L, I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law, ranks in the top 10 percent of her class, excels at writing and is pursuing the Environmental & Natural Resources Law Certificate. She tutors first-year students in the Legal Analysis, Research & Communications program as a Fellow of the Dean's Tutorial Society. She is also a note candidate on the International and Comparative Law Review. This past summer, she worked as a judicial extern for Hon. Larry J. McKinney, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana. Prior to law school, Astbury worked for several years as a senior account executive at an online marketing agency. She received her undergraduate degree in journalism from I.U.-Bloomington in 2011.

🌿 Civility Awards 🌿

Sponsored by the Litigation Section

Jason M. Massaro, Chair

The Civility Awards are in recognition of Indiana attorneys and judges who demonstrate outstanding civility and professionalism in their dealings with judges, attorneys, parties, witnesses and the public. The Litigation Section recognizes a trial court judge and a litigator who demonstrate outstanding civility and professionalism.

Litigation Section Judge Recipient:

Hon. Brent E. Dickson was appointed to the Indiana Supreme Court by Gov. Robert D. Orrin in January 1986, after 17 years as a general practice lawyer in Lafayette. He served as Chief Justice of Indiana from May 15, 2012, to Aug. 18, 2014. Born in Gary in 1941, he was educated at public schools in Hobart. Justice Dickson received his B.S. from Purdue University in 1964 and his J.D. from the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 1968.

Justice Dickson serves as a member of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Judicial Conference of the United States. His writings, speeches and activities reflect his longstanding interests in fostering attorney civility, preserving and enhancing our jury trial system, developing and encouraging mediation and promoting the study and application of state constitutional law. He is co-founder of the Sagamore Chapter of the American Inns of Court in Indianapolis, an elected member of the American Law Institute, a registered mediator, and has been an active participant in a host of local, state and national judicial and legal organizations. For more than 10 years, Justice Dickson served as an adjunct professor teaching an evening course in Indiana Constitutional Law at both I.U. Maurer School of Law and I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

During his tenure on the bench, he has also served as chair of the Supreme Court Records Management Committee, the Judicial Data Processing Oversight Committee, the Task Force on Access to Court Records, and as the court's liaison to its Disciplinary Commission and Board of Law Examiners. Justice Dickson and his wife, Jan Aikman Dickson, have three adult sons and nine grandchildren. Mrs. Dickson is founder of the Judicial Family Institute.

Litigation Section Attorney Recipient:

William H. Dazey is a senior assistant federal defender at the Indiana Federal Community Defender's Office, where he handles some of its most complex cases. A small-town motorcycle enthusiast, Dazey has a well-known, laid-back style that his clients and colleagues love. However, his clients and colleagues also know him as a fierce courtroom litigator. He has practiced federal criminal defense since 1978 when he started a small Indianapolis law practice. Previously, and not long after starting his firm, Dazey joined the ranks of Criminal Justice Act Panel attorneys, taking on cases by appointment to help provide defense services for clients who could not afford private attorneys.

He received his B.A. in psychology from Indiana University-Bloomington in 1974 and his J.D., *summa cum laude*, from the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 1978.

🦋 Community Service Award 🦋

Sponsored by the Service Committee

Michael A. Clements, Chair

The ISBA Service Committee was formed by the inaugural ISBA Leadership Development Academy class and this award was created to honor an attorney's exceptional non-legal service work in his/her community, which includes promoting community involvement and helping in underserved areas. The winner of this award embodies the core values of our legal profession.

Recipient:

David E. Jose is a partner at the Indianapolis firm Plews Shadley Racher & Braun, where he focuses his practice on healthcare, corporate, administrative and regulatory law. He regularly handles matters for hospitals, mental health centers, long term care facilities and physicians. Jose helps these clients with a variety of matters including regulatory compliance and administrative appeals, internal investigation, contract review and negotiation, reimbursement matters, business transactions, and general commercial and corporate matters.

Jose is a member of the Indianapolis and Indiana State bar associations, as well as the American Health Lawyers Association. He is active with multiple civic and charitable organizations, including serving on the board of directors of the Indiana Recycling Coalition, Phoenix Theatre and Tangram. He serves as legal counsel to the Kurt Vonnegut Memorial Library. Additionally, Jose is a member of the Indianapolis Advisory Board for Back on My Feet and serves as the team leader of the Wheeler Mission Team.

Jose received his undergraduate degree from Earlham College in 1975 and his M.A. from the University of Wisconsin in 1976. He received his J.D. from Boston College Law School in 1981.

🦋 The Women In The Law Recognition Award 🦋

Presented by the Women in the Law Committee

Anne L. Cowgur, Chair

The ISBA Women in the Law Recognition Award is presented to an individual who has assisted in the advancement of women in the legal profession, has served as a role model or mentor, or has influenced women to pursue a career in law.

Recipient:

Ann C. Mackey, Indianapolis, is a shareholder at the firm Ogletree Deakins. She has practiced law for more than 40 years. Early in her career, she focused in the areas of criminal, environmental, estate planning and divorce law, and was a litigator. For the last 20 years though, she has specialized in the area of employee benefits. Since the Affordable Care Act was enacted in 2010, Mackey has played a key role in helping employers comply with the requirements of Health Care Reform.

As an employee benefits lawyer, Mackey has advised large and small employers on the design and operation of their benefit plans, defended employers in IRS and DOL audits, cured plan defects, and assisted with benefits due diligence in acquisitions and divestitures. She advises companies on the design and operation of company-owned or leased primary care medical clinics.

She received her B.A. from Principia College in Elsah, Ill., in 1969 and her J.D. from Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., in 1974.

🦋 Harrison Legal Writing Awards 🦋

Sponsored by the Written Publications Committee

Joseph M. Pellicciotti & William A. Ramsey, Co-Chairs

The Harrison Legal Writing Awards are presented to the top three articles that were published in *Res Gestae* from October 2013 through June 2015. The articles are judged on significance of subject matter, practicality and timeliness; quality of research and legal analysis; and clarity and style. These awards are funded by the ISBA Insurance Agency.

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Outstanding Judge Award Recipient:

Hon. Michael G. Gotsch Sr. was appointed to the St. Joseph Circuit Court by Gov. Joe Kernan in 2004, and was elected in 2004 and re-elected in 2010. Previously, he served as chief deputy prosecuting attorney and chief of staff in the St. Joseph County Prosecutor's Office (2003-04), and counsel for the St. Joseph County Office of Family and Children (2000-02). He also has prior professional experience as a deputy prosecutor attorney, corporate counsel for Meridian Title Corporation, and executive director for the Child Abuse Services, Investigation & Education Center.

Judge Gotsch served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army. During his military career, he was awarded the Army Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal and the Army Achievement Award. He left active military service with the rank of Captain.

Admitted to practice in Indiana, Michigan and federal courts, Judge Gotsch had the honor of serving as an official observer on the Uniform Parentage Act Drafting Committee of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Law. He has also had the distinction to serve as a commissioner on the Presidential Task Force on Criminal Nonsupport, the Governor's Task Force on Abused and Neglected Families and Their Children, and the Governor's Committee on the Indiana Child Support Tracking System. Judge Gotsch is an elected representative to the Judicial Conference of Indiana, serving as its liaison for judicial technology. He was appointed to the Indiana Supreme Court's Committee to Study Evidence-Based Pretrial Release and the Indiana Judicial & Technology Committee.

Judge Gotsch is an adjunct faculty member at Notre Dame Law School, his alma mater. He has also lectured at the University of Notre Dame, St. Mary's College, Bethel College and I.U.-South Bend. He and his wife, Sarah, have five children and one grandchild.

Outstanding Young Lawyer Award:

Jessica Benson Cox is a partner at the firm Faegre Baker Daniels in its Indianapolis office, where she concentrates her practice on the defense of pharmaceutical companies, device manufacturers and other industry leaders involved in product liability litigation. She has broad experience with overseeing discovery and medical/expert issues in complex product liability cases involving pharmaceutical companies, and she has served as national and local counsel in matters involving local anesthetics, anti-psychotic medications, cosmetics

and orthopedic medical devices. Cox also provides counsel to pharmaceutical companies to ensure compliance with state and federal restrictions applicable to the marketing of pharmaceutical products, and she has represented physician groups and hospitals in medical malpractice actions brought before the Indiana Department of Insurance, as well as in state and federal courts throughout Indiana.

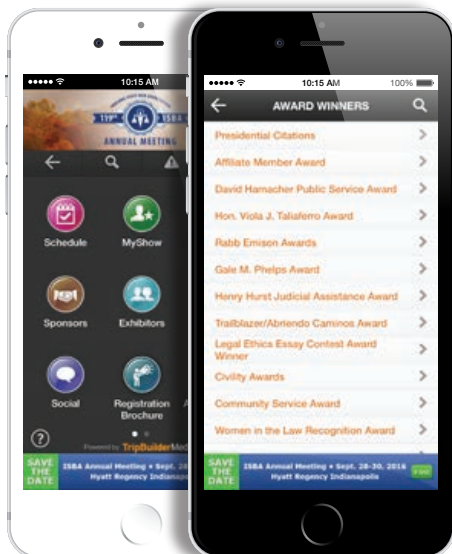
Before joining Faegre Baker Daniels, Cox was an associate at Ice Miller. She received her B.S. in child development and psychology, *magna cum laude*, from Vanderbilt University and her J.D., *cum laude*, from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

Donald R. Lundberg Writing Award:

Recipient (\$200): “*Amendments to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure: Is the Discovery Problem Solved?*” by James A. O’Neal and John T. Schlafer, both of Indianapolis (*YLS Network*, June 2015)

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