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September 9, 2024, 9am
Opening Term of Court
Circuit Courtroom 1

October 10, 2024, 5-8pm
Annual Dinner with the Judges & Magistrates
Dutch's Daughter

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THE NEWSLETTER

The Bar Association of Frederick County, MD, Inc. newsletter is published monthly. Articles and information to be included in the newsletter must be submitted in written or electronic format by the 25th of the month preceding publication month.

Classified and display advertising are available at a modest cost. Go to <http://www.frederickbar.org> for information.

Additional information regarding lunch sponsorships is available at www.frederickbar.org.

A Little Fun

The **July Mystery Member** was **Jennifer Rankin** and the **September Mystery Member** was **Scott Hartinger**. Congratulations to Judge Joanie Raymond Brubaker and Ian Bartman for their correct guesses! The September Mystery Member will be revealed at the September luncheon.

September Mystery Member

- 1. What is your favorite sports team?** My favorite football team is the best football team in the league. You guessed it – it is none other than the Dallas Cowboys!
- 2. What is your favorite food?** My favorite food is pizza.
- 3. From where did you receive your undergraduate degree? What was your major?** I went to a university south of the Mason-Dixon line, where I majored in Political Science and minored in southern charm.



- 4. From where did you receive your law degree?** I went to law school in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia area where I mastered the art of defending losing positions in class and in traffic court.
- 5. What was the biggest adjustment you experienced as you transitioned into your current role?** The biggest adjustment I experienced as I transitioned from the public sector into my current role is that I went from chasing justice to chasing billable hours.
- 6. If you could go back in time and give advice to your eighteen-year-old self, what would you say?** I would tell my 18-year-old self to travel and see the world! It is fine to take a gap year (or two, three, or four) before heading off to college.
- 7. What is your best advice to a young lawyer?** To never underestimate the power of networking and forging strong professional and personal relationships.
- 8. If you were not a lawyer, what would you do for a living and why?** If I did not practice law, I would like to be a college professor. Reason being, I am passionate about academia, and I am passionate about taking summers and holidays off.

Who is this? Email your guess to Maegan at: info@frederickbar.org by 9am on the day of our monthly luncheon (September 3rd).



Section and Committee Updates

Elder, Disability and Guardianship Law Section

The next **Elder, Disability, and Guardianship Law Section Meeting** will be on **Wednesday, September 11th at noon** at Isabella's Taverna & Tapas Bar. The speaker will be Eric Jorgensen, Hospice Veteran Liaison.

The Elder, Disability, and Guardianship Law Section's **November Meeting** will be on **Wednesday, November 13th at Noon** at Isabella's. The speakers will be Scott Birdsall, LMSW, Frederick County DSS, Adult Protective Services and Brad Petersen, Director, Resource and Service Navigation with the Division of Aging and Independence.

Please mark your calendars for Winter/Spring 2025 meeting dates: January 15th, March 12th, and May 14th. Speaker information will be sent out closer to these dates. For more information about the Elder, Disability and Guardianship Law Section contact the chair, Lorraine M. B. Prete at lprete@kandplawfirm.com.

Family Law Section

The **Family Law Section** is hosting a Brown Bag Lunch on the IPV Screening Process on **September 16th at 12pm**, in Circuit Courtroom 3. For more information about the Family Law Section, or to submit questions for the Brown Bag Lunch, please contact:

Co-Chair Meaghan Delawter at mld@delawterlaw.com; or
Co-Chair Shondell Foster at sfoster@thedelawgroup.com.

Pro Bono Committee


The Frederick Center hosts free legal clinics that offer brief advice to the LGBTQ+ community. The last scheduled clinic date for 2024 is **October 24**. If you would like to volunteer for future clinics, please contact Trevor Addie-Carter at taddiecarter@hormannichols.com.

Young Lawyer's Section

The **Young Lawyer's Section** is hosting a New Law Clerk/Admitted Attorney Happy Hour on **September 26th at 4:30pm** at Frederick Social. Trivia starts at 6pm.

Frederick and Washington County Chapter of the Maryland Women's Bar Association

Mark your calendars for the **WBA Frederick and Washington Counties Family Halloween Event** on **October 25th, 2024**. Details coming soon!



THE BAR ASSOCIATION OF FREDERICK COUNTY
cordially invites you to the Annual

DINNER WITH THE
Judges & Magistrates

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 2024
at DUTCH'S DAUGHTER
581 HIMES AVENUE, FREDERICK, MD 21703

5:00 pm Cocktails / 6:15 pm Introductions & Dinner
\$100 per person / Open Bar

PLEASE RSVP BY
October 1st

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Dates to Remember

- **September 3, 12p: BAFC Monthly Luncheon.** Delaplaine Arts Center. Our speaker will be Chief Justice Matthew J. Fader. Our sponsor will be Planet Depos.
- **September 9, 9a: Opening Term of Court.** Circuit Courtroom 1.
- **September 11, 12p: Elder, Disability, and Guardianship Law Section Meeting.** Isabella's Taverna & Tapas Bar. The speaker will be Eric Jorgensen, Hospice Veteran Liaison.
- **September 16, 12p: Family Law Section** presents a Brown Bag Lunch: **IPV Screening Process.** Circuit Courtroom 3: Submit questions via Family Law Section chairs.
- **September 26, 4:30p: YLS New Law Clerk/Admitted Attorney Happy Hour** at Frederick Social. Trivia starts at 6p.
- ****October 8, 12p: BAFC Monthly Luncheon.** Delaplaine Arts Center. Our speaker will be Tim Maloney. Our sponsor will be Minnesota Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company. ****2nd Tuesday due to a scheduling conflict.**
- **October 10, 5-8p: Annual Dinner with the Judges & Magistrates.** Dutch's Daughter.
- **October 16, 3:30p: Memorial and Dedication Service in honor of Judge Andrew Wilkinson.** Washington County Circuit Court

Legal Information of Interest

Lawyer Referral Service Available to Members

Members of the Bar Association of Frederick County can join the Baltimore County Bar Association's (BCBA) ABA-certified Lawyer Referral Service (LRS). The BCBA will waive the \$175 annual fee for BAFC members. In addition, the BCBA LRS will waive the requirement for BAFC panel attorneys to perform four, two-hour mandatory screening sessions per program year. Any calls received from Frederick County residents will be referred to Frederick County LRS panel attorneys.

The referral year runs from July 1 - June 30. You can sign up at any point online or through a physical copy during the year and will need to reapply each year that you would like to remain on the Lawyer Referral list.

Online and paper application available [HERE](#). After reading over the LRIS Rules and completing the application in its entirety, please download the application. Once the application is downloaded, please email the application and a Declaration Sheet from your legal malpractice carrier to abah@bcba.org. Following your application submission, you will receive an invoice via email. After the invoice is paid to the BCBA, you will be active and able to receive referrals. If you would like to turn in a physical application please follow the mailing directions on the application.



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Recent Events

BAFC Annual Golf Tournament

By: Marhsall Horman, BAFC member, Horman Nichols, LLC

The Annual BAFC Golf Tournament was held on August 22nd at Musket Ridge Golf Club. Personally, I have attended this event for over twenty years and this gathering of assorted golfers is always a highlight of BAFC events for me. This year was no different, except for the weather, which was extraordinary! The sun was shining, the humidity was low, and the temperatures were in the mid-70's. There were some members whose attendance at these tournaments predate mine and they could only recall one year where the weather was "on par" with this year's tournament.



Five foursomes set out to be the lucky winners and have their names engraved on the Charlie Frey Cup. The play was very competitive and only 7 strokes separated the winning team and the not so coveted "Green Tee" winners. At the end of play, a score of 65, which was 7 under par, was enough to earn the team of Charlie Frey, Michael Fry, Janice Rockwell, and Paul Rose the honor of 1st Place. The team of David Kindermann, Tom Lynch, Anne-Herbert Rollins and Scott Waxter earned 2nd Place by shooting 6 under par. At 5 under par, and in 3rd Place, was the team of Marshall Horman, John Robinson, Matt Robinson, and Daniel Williamson. The honor of the Green Tees was given to the last place team of David Grove, Paul Kemp, Michael Moore and Drew Murphy after shooting an even par, 72. The Green Tee winners and the 1st Place team members will have their names engraved on the Charlie Frey Cup for all to remember.

Closest to the pin winners were Tom Lynch for hole No. 2, Ian Bartman for hole No. 8, Tom Lynch for hole No. 13 and Janice Rockwell for hole No. 17.

Thank you to everyone who participated and made it to this year's tournament. I hope to see everyone back next year, plus all of those who could not participate this year but promised to come back next year!

If you curious to know more about the golf tournament, please reach out to any of the members of the golf committee: Marshall Horman, Paul Rose, or Scott Hartinger.



BAFC Annual Picnic

The Bar Association held its annual picnic on August 22nd, returning to the Lewistown Social Club. About 50 members gathered and enjoyed a delicious dinner provided by Renaissance Chef Catering: pulled pork, bbq chicken, green beans almondine, macaroni and cheese, salad, and cornbread/rolls. The desserts, once again, had something for everyone: apple pie, key lime pie, tres de leche cake, lemon tiramisu, and chocolate and vanilla cupcakes.

Everyone enjoyed the chance to hang out and chat with fellow members before attendees were surprised with a sticker telling them what country they represented in the first ever Bar Olympics! President Elect Mimi Teahan did a fantastic job of offering up Maryland Olympian Trivia while current President Carla Clarke had the difficult job of determining which country had their hand raised first. In the end, the gold medal was awarded to Austria (Judge Michael McAuliffe, Judge Ed Dwyer, Ed Goundry, Ian Bartman and Mary Beth Kaslick). Be sure to congratulate them when you see them at the next bar lunch!



Berman | Sobin | Gross LLP is hiring a LAW CLERK / ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY in our Frederick office!

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We are a Maryland law firm with an excellent reputation in personal injury and workers' compensation seeking candidates to help grow our litigation and appellate departments specifically in our Western Maryland office. Our Frederick County office is currently seeking law school graduates or 3rd Year law school students. We have both full-time and part-time positions available depending on whether you are currently in school and licensed in Maryland. Strong writing skills are a MUST. We are looking for team players who are driven and want to make a difference in their communities. This position will provide a substantial amount of hands-on litigation experience for the right candidates. This position also offers a clear pathway for professional development, presenting the opportunity to transition into an associate attorney role post-graduation.

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Work Location: In person

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Information of Interest

Are You Looking for a Paralegal?

If you are in need of a paralegal, Dr. Tracy Parker, Program Manager for Frederick Community College's Paralegal Program, may be able to help. You can reach Dr. Parker at : 301-624-2819, TParker@frederick.edu. To find out more about FCC's Paralegal program visit: <https://www.frederick.edu/programs/business/paralegal.aspx>

Willing to Take a Pro Bono Case?

The Pro Bono Resource Center has a website called Statewide Opportunities that shows users a database of pro bono service opportunities, trainings, public interest jobs, etc. around the state. The database can be filtered by county, as well as by specific types of opportunities. For example if you [click here](#), you will see only those opportunities that exist in Frederick County, OR that are statewide, remote, or online. www.probonomd.org/statewide-opportunities

SAVE THE DATE

November 12: BAFC Monthly Lunch. Delaplaine Arts Center.
(NOTE: 2nd Tuesday due to Election Day!)

December 12: BAFC Annual Holiday Party, Isabella's Taverna & Tapas Bar.

