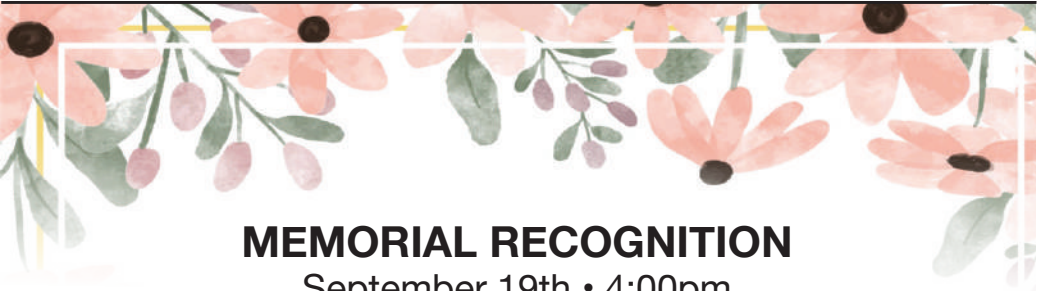




# THE SUMMONS

## Saginaw County Bar Association



### MEMORIAL RECOGNITION

September 19th • 4:00pm

Saginaw Club



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# MEETING DATES FOR 2024

*(Go to [www.saginawbar.org](http://www.saginawbar.org) for meeting updates)*

## **SCBA Board Meeting**

All Board Meetings will be held the 1st Wednesday of every month at 12:00 PM at the Saginaw Country Club.

## **Pro Bono Committee Meeting**

All PB Meetings held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 12:00 PM at the office of LSEM, 301 E. Genesee, 5th floor.

## **SCBA Memorial Service**

Saginaw Club  
Thursday, September 19, 2024, 4:00 PM

## **Access to Justice**

Thursday, October 3, 2024

## **Red Mass**

Thursday, October 10, 2024

## **Celebrate Pro Bono**

2024 National Celebration of Pro Bono week, October 20-26, 2024.

## **SCBA/LSEM Pro Bono Luncheon**

Guest Speaker: Hon. Stephen L. Borrello,  
Court of Appeals - District 4  
Saginaw Club  
Thursday, October 24, 2024, 12:00 PM

*(If you want your committee meeting dates listed here send them to Executive Director Kelli Scorsone)*

## IN MEMORIAM

*Please help the Memorial Committee make sure no member is forgotten.  
Contact SCBA office at 989-790-5285 regarding the passing of any Saginaw County Attorney.*



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# PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

By: Bethany J. McGrandy

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer season filled with sunshine and relaxation. I also hope everyone had a great time at our annual meeting and golf outing this year! It was fun to introduce mulligans and string for the first time. While golfing is fun, the primary purpose of this event is our annual meeting. We lose quite a few members before the meeting starts. What can we do differently to encourage attendance at the meeting/dinner? Would an earlier time work better? We formed a golf outing committee this year and we would love to hear feedback. If you have any ideas, please email me at [bmcgrandy@bradylaw.org](mailto:bmcgrandy@bradylaw.org).

Those who attended the meeting are aware of some changes to our board. Kailen C. Piper, from O’Neill, Wallace, & Doyle, P.C., has served as our Secretary for a few years, and I am so excited that she will be stepping into the role of Vice President. We have a new member of the board of directors, Emilie K.D. Lyday. Emilie is an assistant public defender at the Saginaw Defenders Office. Katelyn Sweeney, from Burgess and Sweeney Law, also joined as our new Treasurer late this spring. Since Katelyn had just stepped into that role, she could not provide an in-depth update on our financials at the meeting, so I am providing you with the 2024 income and expenses as of July 25, 2024, below:

2024 Income		2024 Expenses	
Late Christmas Payment	\$40.00	Christmas Awards	\$27.00
Supreme Court Swearing In	\$2,200.00	Christmas Party Band	\$500.00
Dues	\$7,340.00	2023 Accounting Fee	\$2,300.00
Law Day	\$850.00	Paypal Fees	\$219.26
Golf Sponsors	\$2,100.00	Wages – K.S.	\$8,765.53
Golf	\$9,752.00	Monthly lunch	\$1,079.05
Saginaw Community Foundation Law Day	\$1,454.76	Saginaw Country Club Golf Outing	\$9,410.48
		Summons	\$150.00
		Mailing	\$10.07
		Taxes – City of Saginaw	\$1.19
		Law Day Expenses	\$3,244.75
		Golf outing Staples and Awards	\$598.56
<b>1st State Bank – Checking Account:</b>			
January 1, 2024 Account Balance			\$35,967.57
July 25, 2024 Account Balance			\$33,143.53
<b>Other SCBA Account Balances:</b>			
Frankenmuth Credit Union Savings			\$153.19
Financial Plus Credit Union CD			\$10,500.00
Financial Plus Credit Union CD			\$5,500.00

I also want to take a moment to acknowledge the significance of Constitution Day, which is on September 17th. Constitution Day serves as a reminder of the principles and values that form the foundation of our legal system. It is a moment to reflect on the importance of

upholding the rights and liberties protected in our Constitution and to reaffirm our commitment to the rule of law.

Have a great September and I hope to see everyone at the Red Mass on October 10, 2024!

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## INVITATION

**The Saginaw County Bar Association  
will hold its 3rd Annual Memorial Recognition  
on Thursday, September 19, 2024, 4:00 pm  
Saginaw Club – 219 N Washington Ave  
Light Hor d'oeuvres, Cash Bar  
Honorable Patrick McGraw presiding**

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**RSVP by Sept 9th: [scba@saginawcounty.com](mailto:scba@saginawcounty.com) or 989 790-5285**



# SAGINAW COUNTY LAWYERS' AUXILIARY

By: Claudia J. Wallace

SCLA welcomes everyone to our fall events, which are starting now.

September 4th brings us to our fall luncheon being held at the Saginaw Club. There will not be a meeting on September 3rd due to the luncheon.

We are asking for volunteers for the 2024 fall entertainment and 2025 spring luncheon, along with hostesses for our February and March in-home meetings.

Please contact Elissa Basil at [etbasil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:etbasil@sbcglobal.net) or Carrie Burns at (989) 992-9071 for any questions.

The November meeting will be held at Kathleen Horn's home.

Boehler gift cards will go on sale soon. Please contact Claudia Wallace to make

your purchases at [cjwallace1953@gmail.com](mailto:cjwallace1953@gmail.com) or (989) 245-4628.

Our fundraisers are definitely worth the effort. Attached is a short biography of our 2024 scholarship winner, Avery Mantei. Please take a few minutes to read.

The American Lawyers Alliance 2024 Judicial Civics Educational Award Recipient is our own 70th District Court Judge, the Honorable Terry L. Clark. He was nominated by our one and only, Terry Oeming! Congrats to both. You can read the article at [www.americanlawyersalliance.org](http://www.americanlawyersalliance.org).

We hope to see everyone this fall and winter and to those traveling, travel safe, enjoy and we will see you in the spring.



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### AVERY MANTEI

2024 SCLA Scholarship Winner

Graduated from Freeland High School in 2024 and is heading to Western Michigan University - Pre Law.

#### Highlights:

- Softball & Basketball teams
- 4 Year Student Council President

#### Volunteer Commitments:

- Be The Change
- National Honor Society
- Great Lakes Leadership Institute
- Freeland Chamber Of Commerce
- Bailee Mantei Foundation
- Girls Town Basketball Camp

#### Honors/Awards:

- The Society of Women Engineers - Certificate of Merit
- Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens
- Outstanding Junior Award presented by the MSU Alumni Club
- Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics
- The Difference Maker Award given Junior Year (2023) for contributing to the school project
- Coaches Award (Sophomore Year) for being the basketball teammate who inspires the team

- Tri-Valley Conference Athletic Achievement in Sportsmanship awarded Junior Year for having good overall sportsmanship on the team
- Tri-Valley Conference recognition of outstanding athletic achievement awarded Sophomore Year for good athletic performance
- 2023 Team First Award given Junior Year presented by the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan
- Golden Glove Award given Junior Year for making no errors in fielding in the season

## **Career Goals and Leadership Questionnaire**

### What are your education and career goals/plans?

*After graduating from High School, I plan to attend a college or university to pursue an undergraduate degree in political science with a pathway of pre-law. I also would like to have minors in English and Psychology. I plan to complete my undergraduate in 3 years, and attend law school following graduation. After receiving my Juris Doctor (JD), I plan to become a family lawyer to help parents who are fighting for visiting rights, couples looking to adopt, and domestic violence cases. Through my career, I am looking to find ways to help families find their place. On top of my career, I hope to start a non-profit that will seek to help kids who are in foster care. I also plan to find other ways to be involved in the community I live in and make a difference in those lives around me.*

### What is your inspiration or motivation for pursuing these goals and plans?

*There are three motivations that I have for pursuing my goals and plans: my younger self, my sister, and my parents. As a young girl, I always wanted to help people. I grew up in a fantasy house for the larger part of my childhood, not knowing that people were facing hardships everyday. I was always the kid who put money into the Salvation Army red tins when people stood out ringing the bell during the holiday season. While I will always appreciate giving two dollars to those in need, I know that I can do something bigger in my life. As I approach college, I remind myself of that little girl who wishes she could've done more for those that were struggling, and she pushes me to achieve my goals and dreams. Now, I said that I grew up in a fantasy world for a large part of my childhood, but at twelve years old I also faced the realities of life. My sister, my biggest inspiration, passed away in a car accident at just 14 years old. My sister was a dreamer, a hard worker, and a beautiful soul. She wanted to be a mechanical engineer for medical equipment so she could do her part in helping the ill. Similar to me, she did not have the stomach for a career like nursing, but she found other ways to help people. I know for certain that she was going to make a difference. Everyday, I am motivated by her dreams because she was unable to fulfill them, and I am still here to make a difference in this world. Finally, my biggest supporters, my parents. They have truly pushed me to be the best version of myself that I can be, and they have provided me with so much opportunity and love over the past 18 years. As I continue on my journey, they will also be there to motivate me to fulfill my dreams.*





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# SCBA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By: Kelli Scorsone, Executive Director

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## WHY CELEBRATE PRO BONO?

Pro bono work is a professional responsibility and an individual ethical commitment of each lawyer. In October, we set aside a week to celebrate Pro Bono because of the increasing need for pro bono services during harsh economic times and the unprecedented response of attorneys to meet this demand. Every October since 2009, legal organizations across America participate in the National Celebration of Pro Bono to draw attention to the need for pro bono participation, and to thank those who give their time year round.

## THE 3RD ANNUAL MEMORIAL RECOGNITION

Set for September 19, 2024, 4:00 pm.  
Please plan to attend and honor SCBA's departed members.

## JOIN A COMMITTEE!

The SCBA Committees thrive when members get involved. Your Board cannot do it all. When members step up to offer their guidance and assistance, the extra hands can be a massive help in advancing the cause. Your Board is grateful for the many members that are active in the various committees, but additional help takes the strain off those that have continually contributed. Many of these commitments may be looking for new leadership.

Participation on committees can benefit from those that know and can guide that committee because of expertise in that area. Is that you? It is so important for more voices to participate.

We know you are already busy enough as it is and asking you for even more of your time seems like a lot to ask. But, please

consider this request.

Please email either myself (scba@saginawcounty.com) or President, Beth McGrandy (bmcgrandy@bradylaw.org) to let us know which committee(s) you would like to be an active member.

The following is a list of current SCBA committees. Check it out and see if one is of any interest. Or, do you know of a new committee to add to SCBA?

ADR/Case Evaluation & Facilitation  
Bench & Bar

Civil Procedures & Courts

Criminal Defense Bar

Diversity & Inclusion

Domestic Relations

Historical Committee

Law Day

Membership Committee

Memorial Committee

Pro Bono Committee

Probate & Estates Committee

Public Relations & Publicity Committee

Recognition & Awards Committee

Red Mass Committee

Retirees, Emeritus, Seniors Committee

Social Committee

Specialty Courts Committee

The Children's Law Section

Women Lawyers

Young Lawyers

Veterans Law

Special Committee – Bar Foundation

Special Committee –

Continuing Legal Education

Special Committee –

Digital Resource Committee

A NEW COMMITTEE you would like to see added and be part of: \_\_\_\_\_





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# CIRCUIT COURT CHIEF JUDGE'S CORNER

By: Judge Julie A. Gafkay

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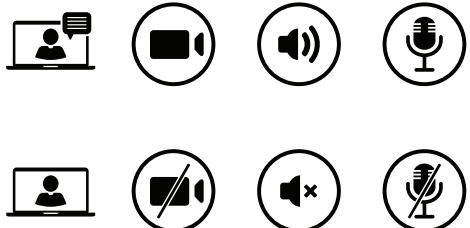
## DIGITAL VIDEO COURT RECORDING SYSTEM INTRODUCED IN SAGINAW COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

On July 22, 2024, Courtroom 407 (Judge Julie A. Gafkay) implemented digital video court recording with plans for the other four circuit courtrooms to add video within the next year. The courtroom was fitted with high-quality digital video recording equipment. For the last couple years, the circuit court has been equipped with digital audio recording equipment. The video equipment added 5 voice-activated cameras strategically placed throughout the courtroom to record the judge, attorneys, witness, and overview of the courtroom, while keeping the jury out of the view of the camera.

Equipment was also added to both counsel tables allowing counsel to use an HDMI cable to seamlessly display exhibits or a presentation on the courtroom's television screen. A screen has been added to the witness box to allow a witness to view exhibits. The added video court recording system will augment the certified stenographic reporter (CSR), who will continue to transcribe most proceedings. At times, when the CSR is not available, other court personnel will be able to operate the system, which does not require the operator to be certified under MCR 8.108(G)(1), although the CSR will still be needed to prepare any transcripts requested. The addition of video should make the courts more efficient, accurate, and eventually more cost-effective.

## Ten practical tips for attorneys appearing in digital video court recording courtrooms

1. Speak loudly and clearly.
2. Identify yourself properly when making an appearance at the beginning of each proceeding and spell your name for the record.
- 3. Use the MUTE button at counsel table if you wish to consult with your client during a hearing.**
4. Coughing or sneezing near a microphone will adversely affect the recording.
5. Speak into the microphone.
- 6. Only one person should speak at a time!**
7. Avoid overlapping questions and answers or colloquy.
8. On-the-record bench conferences are conducted at the bench conference microphone.
9. Address jurors by number (or name, depending on judge's preference) for proper identification during voir dire.
10. Remember the court proceedings are being electronically recorded when the lights are **RED**.



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# UPDATE TO LAO 2024-25 AWOLP

By: Todd E. Borders, Circuit Court Administrator

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The 10th Circuit – Juvenile and Family Division has updated the Local Administrative Order referencing the process the Court must take when a youth under its jurisdiction is Absent Without Legal Permission (AWOLP).

AWOLP for abused or neglected youth refers to situations where a minor leaves their “Court Authorized” residence without legal authorization. This term is particularly relevant in cases involving child protective services (CPS) or foster care systems.

When a youth is classified as AWOLP, it indicates their departure from a Court approved placement or home environment. The response to AWOLP cases typically involves immediate efforts to locate the youth and ensure their well-being. The Court, social workers, law

enforcement, and community resources collaborate to find the youth, assess their current circumstances, and address any immediate risks or needs they may have.

The overarching goal of responding to AWOLP incidents is to ensure the safety and protection of the youth. This includes assessing the reasons for leaving, addressing underlying issues such as abuse or neglect, and providing appropriate support and interventions to prevent further harm. AWOLP cases require sensitive handling to balance the legal aspects of abuse/neglect cases with the best interests and safety of the youth involved.

The following is the signed Local Administrative Order 2024-05 AWOLP.

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Local Administrative Order  
10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court 2024-05

Rescinds Local Administrative Order Numbers  
10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court 2003 – 01

## **Reviewing Cases of Children Absent Without Legal Permission (AWOLP)**

This local administrative order is issued in accordance with the Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 2002-04, and in order to establish a plan for review of cases involving children who are absent from court-ordered placements without legal permission, and to protect those wards of the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court-Juvenile & Family Division.

### **IT IS ORDERED:**

#### **1. Establishment of Special Docket or Expedited Review Process**

- a) An expedited review process has been established by the Court to ensure that an AWOLP youth's case is reviewed with urgency. This process is outlined under section 4 of this LAO.

#### **2. Responsibility for Ensuring Compliance**

- a) The Presiding Judge of the Juvenile & Family Division is responsible for supervision of this plan and the on-going efforts to locate children absent without legal permission (AWOLP).
- b) Cases of children absent without legal permission will receive priority oversight from the Juvenile & Family Division. The Court, along with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, have committed to monitoring and updating the status of any wards deemed to be AWOLP.
- c) The Presiding Judge's judicial assistant of the Juvenile & Family Division will maintain a list of any children under court jurisdiction AWOLP from approved placements in Saginaw County. The judicial assistant will keep the judge advised of information concerning those children; whether that information is received from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, law enforcement, the State Court Administrative Office, or any other source.

#### **3. Coordination of Efforts with Department of Health and Human Services**

- a) The Saginaw County Department of Health and Human Services will notify the Judge's judicial assistant of any child who is absent without legal permission. This notification will be by way of filing with the Court the "Unauthorized Leave Report to Court/Law Enforcement" (MDHHS 3198A) within 24 hours/1 business day after the child is identified as AWOLP. This will involve electronic, as well as hard copy notice provided by supervisors designated by MDHHS to perform this function.
- b) The Court will issue an "Order to Take/Place into Temporary Custody" the same day the Court is notified of the AWOLP.
- c) The designated MDHHS liaison responsible for MDHHS efforts to locate AWOLP children is Teri June, Program Manager.

#### **4. Process for Review of Cases involving AWOLP children.**

- a) The Court will schedule an initial review hearing or a case status conference to ascertain steps that may be taken to locate, secure and appropriately place the child within 24 hours of the Court being notified of the AWOLP. At this hearing or case status conference, the Court will ensure the following:
  - i. Determine persons of interest who may have information to aid in locating the missing child.
  - ii. Make decisions regarding actions to be taken to locate the missing child.

- iii. Determine the appropriate actions to be taken when the missing child has been located.
  - iv. The initial review process will include review of MDHHS reports, reports from law enforcement, and information received or maintained by the court.
- b) A status conference with MDHHS shall be scheduled within seven days of notification that a child is AWOLP. This status conference will allow the Presiding Judge to assess “active efforts” the MDHHS has been involved with to locate the child.
  - c) After the expedited hearing, hearings will be scheduled, as needed, ensuring at least seven days’ notice to interested persons. A hearing must be scheduled every 30 days to re-evaluate the progress of the department in locating the child.
  - d) Should the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile & Family Division be unavailable, for any reason, the Senior Juvenile & Family Division Referee will provide oversight and direct action consistent with this administrative order.

## 5. Identified Special Problems

- a) No special issues have been identified that may delay implementation of this order. Presiding Judge will confer regularly with the Director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. This on-going communication will identify and remedy systemic problems, as they arise. Any special case specific issues that may arise will be dealt with through the status conference and/or hearing process for that case.

## 6. Obtaining Information and Scheduling Hearings

- a) Information required by the court on AWOLP cases will be provided to the court by the designated MDHHS worker within 24 hours of a scheduled hearing and includes:
  - i. All pertinent available information in the MDHHS case file related to the potential location of child. This includes family members, unrelated caregivers, friends, known associates, churches, or a neighborhood center.
  - ii. All information related to the school that the child last attended to verify that the child is not in attendance and determine if there are friends/teachers who may have information.
  - iii. All information related to the MDHHS diligent search checklist.
- b) Procedures that will be used to obtain information that will assist in efforts to locate AWOLP children include:
  - i. In its discretion, the Court may use informal measures to locate, communicate with and ensure proper placement of an AWOLP child. In all cases, the Court will utilize all statutory and court rule authority to locate and expedite return of the AWOLP child to proper placement. The Court will also offer assistance, consistent with this plan, to Saginaw County and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services in locating all AWOLP children, even if the child involved is not a current ward of the 10th Circuit Court-Juvenile & Family Division. The only exception to this is the Court will not duplicate efforts of another court within this state.

ii. The MDHHS, in cooperation with this plan, will provide the court all information requested using the procedures listed below:

1. DHS-3198A – Unauthorized Leave Report to Court/Law Enforcement.
2. DHS-710 – Clearance to Publish Children AWOLP on MDHHS Web and NCMEC Web.
3. DHS-991 – Diligent Search Checklist.

c) AWOLP review hearings will be scheduled every 30 days a child remains in AWOLP status.

b) The presiding Judge will also consult with the 10th Circuit – Juvenile and Family Division Court Administrator to ensure that all updates to the state MCAP system occur the 1st of every month. This is to ensure that accurate and up to date information is provided on these children.

**Effective Date**

This plan shall take effect upon approval of the State Court Administrative Office.

Date 6/17/24 Patrick J. McGraw  
Hon. Patrick J. McGraw  
Chief Judge - Probate Court

Date 6/17/24 Barbara J. Meter  
Hon. Barbara J. Meter  
Presiding Judge, Juvenile & Family Division

Date 6/17/24 Julie A. Gafkay  
Hon. Julie A. Gafkay, Chief Judge Circuit Court

**7. Priority to Cases of Children Ages 15 and Younger**

a) Because of the high priority of cases involving children under 16 years of age, the Presiding Judge will personally monitor and report on the status of these children absent without legal permission. Reports will be updated, as circumstances indicate, and that information will be provided to the Chief Circuit Court Judge and the State Court Administrative Office.



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# BANKRUPTCY CASE NOTES

By: Jack Weinstein

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Does the Bankruptcy Court look to the original source of a debtor's claimed exemption? That was the issue before Bankruptcy Judge Daniel S. Opperman, in the case of Kevin Michael Majeski, 22-20947 decided on May 11, 2023. Debtor claimed an exemption for his 2021 tax refund; however, his Trustee objected to his claimed exemption. The Court heard the parties' respective arguments and issued its decision on May 11, 2023. The Court noted that the parties generally agreed to the facts but had different legal conclusions.

Debtor had filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy relief on September 27, 2022. In his schedules, he noted a 2021 tax refund that had not yet been received and was joint with his ex-wife. Subsequently, debtor amended his Schedule C and claimed an exemption for the IRA penalty refund check he had received in the amount of \$3,113.00, which he exempted per MCL §600.5451(1)(k). The Trustee objected, claiming that those monies were merely a tax refund and therefore, not exempt.

Debtor's position was that the source of the tax refund was due to his early retirement withdrawal due to his permanent disability and because the law would not allow him to re-deposit those monies into his IRA account, that he should be allowed to exempt those monies. Factually, debtor was under the age of 59 ½, and could not withdraw his IRA monies without paying a 10% penalty, which had been automatically deducted and paid by his IRA administrator to the US Treasury Department. Thereafter, debtor filed his 2021 tax return and received those penalty monies back in a refund

check after he had filed for bankruptcy.

The Court, in its decision, cited MCL § 600.5451(1)(k) and was guided by the general principle that exemptions are to be liberally construed in debtor's favor pursuant to the bankruptcy code's general policy of granting debtors a fresh start. Further, that Bankruptcy Rule 4003(c) placed the burden of proof on the Trustee to prove that debtor's exemption was not properly claimed.

Judge Opperman concluded that MCL § 600.5451(1)(k) allowed a debtor to exempt all individual retirement accounts and the distribution from those accounts. Those types of assets retain their exempt status. The Court upheld Mr. Majeski's logic in tracing those exempt funds from his IRA monies withheld by his IRA administrator, paid to the United States Treasury, and returned to Mr. Majeski in the form of an income tax refund. The Court concluded that the \$3,113.00 was exempt and denied the Trustee's objection.

## **Classified Ad**

### **1609 Court Street - Office Building**

Long-time law office now as one office, previously with two apartments. May be sold with practice based upon retirement. Terms negotiable. Contact Rod O'Farrell at (989) 792-9767.

**Summer's smiles:**

At one point during a game, the coach called one of the 7-year-old hockey players aside and asked, "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?"

The little boy nodded in the affirmative.

"Do you understand that what matters is not whether we win or lose, but how we play together as a team?"

The little boy nodded yes.

"So," the coach continued, "I'm sure you know, when a penalty is called, you shouldn't argue, curse, attack the referee, or call him names. Do you understand all that?"

Again, the little boy nodded.

He continued, "and when I call you off the ice so that another boy gets a chance to play, it's not good sportsmanship to call your coach names, is it?"

Again, the little boy nodded.

"Good," said the coach. "Now go over there and explain that to your parents."

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**S A V E   t h e   D A T E**

**CELEBRATE**

**PRO BONO**

**SCBA & LSEM Pro Bono Luncheon**

**Speaker: Hon. Stephen L. Borrello**

**Court Of Appeals - District 4**

**Thursday, October 24, 2024**

**Noon**

**Saginaw Club**

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# 2024 JUDICIAL CIVIC EDUCATION AWARD RECIPIENT - TERRY L. CLARK

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**70TH DISTRICT COURT JUDGE  
THE HONORABLE  
TERRY L. CLARK**

Hon. Terry L. Clark serves as a district judge in Saginaw County, Michigan. While Judge Clark is busy handling the many cases assigned to him he also finds time to serve his community in many other ways.

Judge Clark has been a member of the State Bar of Michigan Judicial Ethics Committee since 2015. As a committee member, he readily takes on virtually every volunteering opportunity with the committee, serving on subcommittees, drafting ethics opinions and speaking to various groups. He has served on the criminal jury instructions committee. He has chaired the State Bar Representative Assembly.

Judge Clark is dedicated to and enthusiastic about educating young people. During his many years on the bench, he has enjoyed educating elementary, middle and high school students about the judiciary, the law and the role they play in our system of government. He has been known to interrupt his judicial duties to entertain and educate student visitors. He welcomes students touring the courthouse into his chambers where he learns their names, and calls on them to guess and answer questions he poses about how judges perform their duties, their judicial robes and more. He also loves to seat students in the jury box in his courtroom as he describes the legal process and the roles of prosecutors, his staff, the court reporter, defense attorney and even the jurors. In addition, Judge Clark has participated for many years in helping to conduct the annual Mock Trials in Saginaw County.

Judge Clark has made community service, and in particular the education of young people, one of the foundations of his life.

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