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LAW CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 5, 2018	5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Meet the Board Networking Event	
June 12, 2018	11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Board Meeting	
June 19, 2018	11:15 am - 1:00 pm
Membership Luncheon & One Hour General Credit CLE	
June 28, 2018	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Lean In Mentoring Circles Quarterly Meeting	

[Click Here](#) for a complete listing of LAW events and registration details!

June 19, 2018

Membership Meeting and

One Hour General Credit CLE

11:15 a.m. Registration/buffet opens

11:45 a.m. Announcements

12:00 Noon CLE Begins



Annual Legislative Update

**Speaker: Mandy Haynes Young, Erica Bell Vick
and Kim Adkins**

B.B. King's Jazz Club

Cost:

Members: Lunch \$25/CLE \$15

Nonmembers: Lunch \$30/CLE \$25

***Reservations must be made by Friday, June 14, 2018, at Noon.**

Register Online at www.law-nashville.org/events



**The June Legislative Update is a
great opportunity to introduce
your summer associates to LAW!**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ashonti Davis



Anything's Possible

When I joined LAW in early 2012 after moving home to start my new job, I never imagined that six and half years later I would become President. In fact, when I joined LAW, I had no ambitions or desire to become President or even assume a leadership role. I realize that some people join organizations and immediately chart their path to leadership, but even as I write this message, I have not fully accepted that for the next year, this is my new normal.

My best friend gave me a bracelet engraved with the phrase "Anything's Possible" which is one of the mottos of the church we attend. I wear this bracelet every day and it serves as a reminder of that simple truth – Anything's Possible. And, that truth of the endless possibilities that each day brings will be one of the guiding principles for my year as LAW President. The sheer fact that I have the opportunity to serve this organization as President with such amazing people is evidence of that fantastic truth.

As we embark on this new board year for LAW, I hope to build upon the legacy of the tremendous women who served in this role prior to me and work diligently with you -- our members. This edition of the newsletter showcases the phenomenal people who have agreed to serve on the LAW Board this year. I am very thankful for their energy, time, and commitment. With their dedication, we will embark on providing thoughtful lunch programming, starting with this month's program "The Price of Criminal Justice: A Look at the Current Bail System," events for professional development and mentoring, and opportunities for community service.

Offering new ways for member engagement is one of my priorities for this year. From having a presence in schools with ways to serve to continuing initiatives that have had so much success like the Lean-In mentoring circles, the book club meetings, and the networking happy hours. Also, I hope to expand the diverse membership that we already have by offering events that are different and inclusive.

I envision finding and creating ways for LAW to continue evolving as it has over the last four decades. This year's LAW Board will listen to the feedback of our members, passionately pursue new ideas, and creatively implement paths for our members to connect, learn, influence, and grow. Indeed, "Anything's Possible" and for the next year at least, I am loaning that guidepost to LAW.

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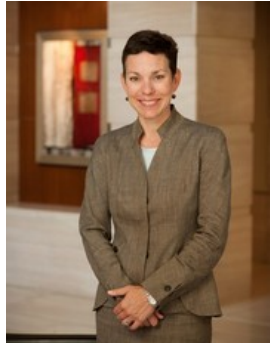
To submit articles for the June issue, contact, Tracy Alcock at tracy.alcock@tn.gov.

Upcoming Monthly Membership Meetings

June 20, 2017—One Hour General Credit CLE

Annual Legislative Update

LAW looks forward to its June membership meeting when Mandy Haynes Young, Erica Bell Vick and Kim Adkins will deliver the Annual Legislative Update on what took place on The Hill during the 111th Tennessee General Assembly. Mandy is a partner at Butler Snow where she practices in the areas of governmental relations, healthcare and insurance law. Erica is Senior Public Policy Advisor at Bass Berry & Sims. Kim is an attorney, entrepreneur and co-owner of Capitol Strategy Group.



Mandy Haynes Young



Erica Bell Vick



Kim Adkins

LAW is a Partnering Organization of the National Association of Women Lawyers' 2018 Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon Thursday, July 19 at the Grand Hyatt at Grand Central in New York City

Since 1899, NAWL has been empowering women in the legal profession, cultivating a diverse membership dedicated to equality, mutual support, and collective success. NAWL's mission is to provide leadership, a collective voice, and essential resources to advance women in the legal profession and advocate for the equality of women under the law.

In addition to morning and afternoon programming featuring candid conversations on diversity, overcoming professional challenges, and how to break into emerging markets, the Awards Luncheon will celebrate leaders in our organization and profession. The confirmed 2018 awardees include:

- **NAWL President's Award** for the advancement and retention of women attorneys by an organization – to **3M Company**;
- **Arabella Babb Mansfield Award** in recognition of professional achievement, positive influence, and valuable contribution to women in the law and society – to **Roberta Kaplan**;
- **Lead by Example Award** for a leading male attorney in a law firm, company, government unit or public interest entity who supports the advancement of women within his organization – to **Ben Wilson**, Chairman of Beveridge & Diamond, P.C.; and
- **M. Ashley Dickerson Award** in recognition of lawyers who promote diversity – **Sandra Phillips Rogers**, Group Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Legal Officer, and Corporate Secretary of Toyota Motor North America, Inc.

LAW members will receive a 10% discount on registration. For additional information about NAWL and the 2018 Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon, please visit NAWL's website at www.nawl.org/2018annualmeeting. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kelsey Vuillemot, NAWL's Member Services and Program Manager, at kvuillemot@nawl.org, or [312.988.5861](tel:312.988.5861).

Annual Meeting/Banquet Recap

by LaTonnsya Burney

On April 26, 2018, LAW hosted its Annual Meeting/Banquet to wrap up another successful year of LAW, congratulate Liz Sitgreaves on her term as President, vote on the board for the upcoming year, and introduce the recipients of the Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey Award and the Rising Star Award. LAW members and guests gathered at the Renaissance Hotel to spend an evening which included dinner, reflection, encouragement, and fun.

Liz Sitgreaves began the program speaking on her connection to LAW, acknowledged the hard work of the Executive Director, Melanie Grand, and gave thanks to her support system during this term. She continued her introduction highlighting the efforts of LAW in this current year. Some of the highlights were hosting the first Symposium, Lean In Mentoring Circles, and other great programs hosted by the organization. Christen Blackburn presented the annual meeting minutes and the treasury report for approval. Following those approvals, the slate of officers for election were introduced and approved.

At the conclusion of the board meeting, Joycelyn Stevenson introduced Patricia Head Moskal as the honoree for the Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey Award. Joycelyn spoke of the influence the Pat Moskal had on her career as an attorney. One memory she shared was Pat being her writing coach and returning her first assignment with red marks. She mentioned how exceptional of an attorney and mentor Pat is. Although there was a laundry list of Pat's career accomplishments, Joycelyn made it clear that Pat also instilled in her the obligation to be a dedicated public servant. Joycelyn told the audience how Pat was dedicated to pave the way for other women attorneys. In her remarks, Pat explained how dear to her heart LAW is. She was grateful as a recipient especially given her admiration of Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey. Pat ended her remarks challenging the audience to continue to search for ways to work hard and protect the gains made by LAW.

After Pat's remarks, Liz Sitgreaves introduced the Rising Star Award recipient, Jenny Moreno. Liz introduced Jenny as a doer that takes and works tirelessly to complete her responsibilities until completed. Jenny Moreno leads the successful Lean In Circles program for LAW and has maintained her passion and energy to make the idea happen. Jenny spoke on her labor of love, the Lean In Mentoring circles. Jenny captured the audience by telling a story of her late grandmother's perseverance. Her grandmother was an immigrant that left Cuba on her own with her children in the early sixties. Jenny explained that her hard work included working for a clothing manufacturer for two decades and ultimately bought the company that went on to employ 200 women, including other immigrant women that she considered family. She thanked the audience for the award and said she knows her grandmother would be proud of her.

The program closed with Liz introducing Ashonti as the upcoming President and spoke on Ashonti's ability to lead the organization. Ashonti thanked the sponsors, the members, the board, and the executive director. Ashonti thanked Liz again and presented an award to Liz while speaking on her passion and love for LAW. Ashonti adjourned the meeting by encouraging members to "Let's go do!"

It was an exciting night of reflection and goals for the upcoming year. LAW looks forward to continued growth and impact on the legal community. LAW would like to thank its sponsors for their continued support in assisting with a successful banquet!

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LaTonnsya is a 2010 graduate of Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis. She is the Director of Contracts/Assistant University Counsel, Tennessee State University and was recently elected to the office of LAW Treasurer for 2018-2019.

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INTRODUCTION OF PATRICIA HEAD MOSKAL MARTHA CRAIG DAUGHTREY AWARD By Joycelyn Stevenson

Have you ever met someone, and you knew instantly, that this person would have a profound impact on your life? What about someone who was so accomplished and well-respected that you used this person as a role model and guide for your own career goals?

That person, for me was Pat Moskal. I met Pat as a law student clerking as a summer associate at Boulton Cummings—now, known as Bradley. Back then, you received a mentor and a writing coach at the beginning of the summer.

I learned that Pat would be my writing coach. I did not appreciate the gravity of that assignment until she reviewed my first written project. Those of you who had her as a coach know where I am going with this.

I am not sure I have seen that much red ink on one piece of paper in my life. Little did I know, that she would make me a much better writer, a much better student, and eventually a better lawyer.

Anyone in here who has had any interaction with Pat as a coworker, board member, mentor, family member or friend knows that she makes everything and everyone better just by her mere presence but also because of her work ethic, her thoughtfulness and her selflessness.

When I started working as a first-year lawyer, I instantly knew that Pat was the kind of lawyer and kind of person that I wanted to become. She is one of the most accomplished lawyers that I have ever met. After earning her degree from Indiana University Bloomington, Pat received her law degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law, where she graduated with highest honors. She has spent the last 30 years representing clients in business and commercial disputes. She is listed in the Best Lawyers in America in the areas of tax, appellate law, commercial litigation and insurance law and is named “Appellate Lawyer of the Year” in Nashville.

She was recognized by Benchmark Litigation as one of the top 250 women in litigation in America. She was also recognized as a litigation and appellate star in the state of Tennessee. She has been selected by her peers as one of Nashville Business Journal’s “Best of the Bar” for more years than I can count.

Pat currently serves as chair of the Tennessee Business Court Rules Advisory Commission for the specialized business court docket that has been implemented by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Those are merely a few examples of her career accomplishments. What makes Pat so great and frankly the perfect recipient of this award, is that while I know she is proud of her professional accomplishments, she is just as proud of her personal ones.

She was very clear when I joined the firm that I had an obligation not only to be an excellent lawyer, but a dedicated public servant. She was instrumental in my initial involvement and the involvement of so many other women, in the important work of state and local bar associations.

Pat has been an unwavering champion of equal opportunities for women and minorities, previously serving as a member of her law firm’s diversity and hiring committees. She also advocated for issues affecting women during her time as First Vice President of the Nashville Bar Association and as President of LAW.

She is simply one of the most courageous, tenacious and caring people that I have ever met. Her fortitude and ability to work hard and still care about the development of others is a gift.

The Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey award honors members who model personal and professional achievement in the practice of law and have promoted the visibility of women in the legal field and personally encouraged female lawyers to excel.

I, like many women in this room, am a direct beneficiary of Pat Moskal’s leadership. She has knocked down barriers, open doors, pushed through glass ceilings so that the women following in her footsteps would have even greater opportunities.

I was honored when she asked me to introduce her because it provided me an opportunity to publicly express my gratitude for every impromptu meeting, every lunch, every phone call, every recommendation letter, every referral and every expression of compassion.

Pat, on behalf of the many women you have mentored throughout the years, I would like to thank you for your leadership, your example of professional excellence, your dedication to service and your friendship.

You, my friend, are more than deserving of this honor.

Please join me in welcoming the 2018 recipient of the Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey Award, Pat Moskal.

REMARKS OF PATRICIA HEAD MOSKAL UPON RECEIVING THE 2018 MARTHA CRAIG DAUGHTREY AWARD

April 26, 2018

Thank you, Joycelyn, for your very kind and gracious introduction.

We have long been colleagues, dear friends, and former law partners, traveling down a number of roads together—some perhaps a bit more winding than others—and I am forever grateful for your friendship.

Thank you to my beloved LAW sisters in law. Many of you have heard me often say that LAW is “near and dear to my heart,” and never more so than tonight. I am deeply honored that you selected me to receive the distinguished Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey Award for 2018.

Thank you to my law firm—Bradley Arant Boult Cummings—which has been a generous supporter and sponsor of LAW and its events over many years, and to my law firm colleagues—many of whom are here this evening—with whom I am pleased to practice law.

Thank you to my family and especially my two sons, Eric and Evan—the loves of my life—both of whom are here tonight. They had the pleasure—or the frustration—or maybe some of both, growing up watching their mom work hard to take care of our family, build a legal career, and devote time and energy to LAW. And I think they always seemed to understand just how much it has meant to me.

And, thank you most of all, to “Cissy” Daughtrey who, unfortunately, could not be here for this evening’s celebration. She truly is the founding mother of LAW, and it has been her trailblazing path, lit with inspiration, that so many of us in this room have followed.

Allow me to take just a moment to look back down that well-traveled trail she blazed.

Cissy and a remarkable group of women lawyers founded LAW in 1981. At that time, Cissy—who had so many firsts before her name—was the first, and only, woman state court judge in TN, then sitting on the Court of Criminal Appeals. She attended a women judges’ conference in California and was struck by the number of judges in California that were women. She asked “Why is that?” and learned it was because California had a women’s bar association.

Thinking “Now there’s an idea,” Cissy returned to Nashville, gathered together committed women lawyers then practicing in Nashville—all 45 or so—and galvanized them to organize LAW.

Fast forward to 2018, 37 years later. Isn’t it remarkable how the first spark of an idea in 1981 has now grown through the commitment, dedication, hard work, strong leadership, and encouragement into the vibrant organization it is today.

Yes, we have come a long way in just 37 years. My law career began in Nashville just a few short years after LAW was formed. Then, there was only one woman judge serving on the Davidson County trial bench, Judge Muriel Robinson, and only one woman judge elected to the Davidson County General Sessions Court, Judge Barbara Haynes.

After I was elected to be LAW’s President and served in 2007-2008, I vividly remember attending the swearing-in ceremony of the Davidson County Trial Court Judges. As they stood there—lined-up across the stage of the War Memorial Building—to take their oath of office, I was struck by the realization, which was the original vision that Cissy and the founders shared, that half of our trial court judges were now women. Remarkable.

So, how does the road ahead look?

I think it looks full of promise with many great things yet to be achieved.

What I see is that LAW continues to advocate for increased numbers of qualified women on the bench. LAW encourages its members to take risks, to put their names on the ballot, and to make the commitment to devote their legal careers to becoming leaders in our community.

For example, I hope you noticed the number of LAW members who are on the primary election ballot for May 1, just around the corner. These candidates are so well qualified and have received the overwhelming recommendations of their sisters and brothers of the bar. They have all been out there on the campaign trail, working hard just for the chance and the privilege to serve our community.

What I see is that LAW continues to grow and continues to focus on issues of importance to women lawyers every day. For example, the LAW Women's Symposium held last fall, as Liz mentioned, was an outstanding program with great speakers addressing important issues to women lawyers. We also saw the creation of the LAW mentoring circles this year, another wonderful initiative.

What I see is that LAW is as vibrant and relevant of an organization today as it was when it was founded in 1981. I am thrilled to see the number of new members who join each year, bringing enthusiasm and fresh ideas to LAW, and who continue to support and mentor each other every day.

I was honored to serve LAW as its President in 2007-08.

I am humbled to receive LAW's Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey Award in 2018.

So, as we look down the road to the coming year for LAW,

I challenge each of us to search for new ways to continue the work and the hard-fought gains those who came before us.

I challenge each of us to not allow ourselves to become complacent and watch our progress slip away or our voices to become hushed.

I challenge each of us to always reach back and mentor those who are coming along behind us, you will be richer for it.

There is no Award that could possibly mean more to me than this one from LAW tonight.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart.



(From L) Joycelyn Stevenson and Pat Moskal



Meet the LAW Executive Board for 2018-2019



President—Ashonti Davis. Ashonti is a 2009 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She recently transitioned from Butler Snow to Counsel at Aetna Senior Supplemental Insurance. Upon graduation from law school, she was a judicial law clerk for The Honorable John W. McClarty, Tennessee Court of Appeals, Eastern Section. Ashonti is the recipient of the 2017 Rising Star Award.



President-Elect—Christen Blackburn. Christen is a 2008 graduate of The University of Memphis School of Law. She is a Partner in the law firm of Leitner Williams Dooley and Napolitan, where she practices civil litigation focused primarily in the areas of transportation, products liability, medical malpractice, and professional liability. Christen has previously served LAW as chairs of the Programming Committee and Judicial Appointments, Nominations and Awards. She is also active in NBA, where she serves on the Community Relations Committee.



Secretary—Sara Anne Quinn. Sara Anne is a 2010 graduate of The University of Tennessee College of Law. She is an Attorney at the law firm of Butler Snow, LLP where she practices in the Labor and Employment Group and Healthcare Regulatory and Transactions Group. Sara Anne has previously served LAW for several years as a co-chair of the New Admittees' Breakfast.



Treasurer—LaTonnsya Burney. LaTonnsya is a 2010 graduate of Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis. She is the Director of Contracts/Assistant University Counsel, Tennessee State University.



Archivist—Mandy Strickland Floyd. Mandy is a 2012 graduate of University of Memphis College of Law. She recently transitioned from Bone McAllester to a two-year Staff Attorney position with The American Civil Liberties Union of Tennessee. Prior to going into private practice Mandy served as Senior Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Richard H. Dinkins of the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle Section.



Archivist—Shellie Handelsman. Shellie is a 2014 graduate Belmont University College of Law, where she also earned a certificate in Entertainment and Music Business Law. She is an Attorney with Shuttleworth PLLC where she practices in the area of civil litigation, insurance defense litigation, entertainment, sports, and IP law, and estate planning and probate law.



Newsletter—Tracy Alcock. Tracy is a 2011 graduate of The University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. She is an Assistant General Counsel at the Tennessee Department of Health's Office of General Counsel, where she serves as an advisory attorney for Tennessee Health Professional Boards and where she prosecutes the Tennessee medical licenses of physicians and nurses practicing in Tennessee for the overprescribing of narcotics and other controlled substances.



Newsletter—Jennifer Lankford. Jennifer is a 2010 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is a Partner with Thompson Burton, PLLC, where she practices employment law.



Newsletter—Jennifer Bonilla Moreno. Jenny is a 2011 graduate of Duke University School of Law. She is an Assistant Metropolitan Attorney, Metropolitan Government of Nashville. Jenny is the 2018 recipient of LAW's Rising Star Award.



Newsletter—Tabitha Robinson. Tabitha is a 2017 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is a Law Clerk at Nashville Electric Service.



Second Year Director—Kimberly Faye. Kimberly is a 2015 graduate of the Nashville School of Law. She is an Attorney at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, LLP. Prior to entering private practice she served as Senior Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Frank G. Clement, Jr. of the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle Section.



Second Year Director—Camille Steward. Camille is a 2000 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is Acting Staffing and Employee Relations Manager at Nashville Electric Service.



First Year Director—Kyonzte Hughes-Toombs. Kyonzte is a 2004 graduate of Vanderbilt Law School. She is Deputy General Counsel for the Tennessee Department of Health where she is a healthcare regulatory attorney.



First Year Director—Samantha Simpson. Camille is a 2016 graduate of Belmont University College of Law. She is a Judicial Law Clerk to The Honorable Robert L. Holloway, Jr., Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals, Middle Section.



Immediate Past President—Elizabeth Sitgreaves. Liz is a 2008 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is an Attorney at The Law Offices of John Day, P.C. Prior to going into private practice, she served as Judicial Law Clerk to The Honorable Frank G. Clement, Jr., Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle Section.

Meet the LAW Committee

Co-Chairs for 2018-2019



Breakfast—Callie Hinson. Callie is a 2014 graduate of the Belmont University College of Law. She is an Associate attorney at Leitner Williams Dooley Napolitan, PLLC.



Diversity—Jessica Lim. Jessica is a 2014 graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law. She is an Associate at Leader Bulso & Nolan, PLC and practices in commercial and business litigation.



Breakfast—Erin Palmer Polly. Erin is a 2002 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is a Partner at Butler Snow LLP and President of the Nashville Bar Association.



Diversity—Kimberly Veers. Kimberly is a 2013 graduate of the University of Mississippi School of Law. She is a Labor & Employment Attorney at Bass, Berry & Sims.



Breakfast—Emily Warth. Emily is a 2006 graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School. She is Senior Counsel at Asurion.



Health & Wellness—Rebekah Baker. Rebekah is a 2005 graduate of Appalachian University School of Law. She is Deputy General Counsel for the Department of Human Services. She is a former law clerk to the late Tennessee Supreme Court Justice Adolpho A. Birch, Jr.



Community Relations—Brooke Coplon. Brooke is a 2014 graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School. She is an Associate at Howell & Fisher, PLLC.



Health & Wellness—Grace Stranch. Grace is a 2014 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is an Associate at Branstetter, Stranch & Jennings, PLLC.



Community Service—Danielle Nellis. Danielle is a 2009 graduate of Boston University School of Law. She is an Assistant District Attorney in the Office of the District Attorney, Nashville.



Judicial Appointments, Nominations and Awards—Casey Duhart. Casey is a 2016 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is an Associate at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis LLP where she practices employment law.



Judicial Appointments, Nominations and Awards—Leighann Ness. Leighann Ness is a 2012 graduate of the University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. She is a Litigation Attorney at HCA, where she manages various healthcare-related litigation matters.



Mentoring/Member Development—Callie Jennings. Callie is a 2011 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is an associate at Branstetter Stranch & Jennings PLLC.



Legislation and Litigation—Brenda Gadd. Brenda is a graduate of the Nashville School of Law. She is Partner with Hancock & Gadd Public Strategies.



Mentoring/Member Development—Mariam Stockton. Mariam is a 2010 graduate of the Nashville School of Law. She is an associate at Neal & Harwell, PLC where she handles complex litigation matters including both civil trial cases and criminal defense work.



Legislation and Litigation—Nina Kumar. Nina is a 2010 graduate of the Vanderbilt University Law School. She is a Partner at Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP.



Networking—Stella Kamm. Stella is a 2016 graduate of Washington University School of Law. She is an Associate at Rogers, Kamm & Shea where she practices in the areas of family, estate and probate law.



Membership—Paige Nutini. Paige is a 2015 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is a Judicial Law Clerk for the U.S. District Courts.



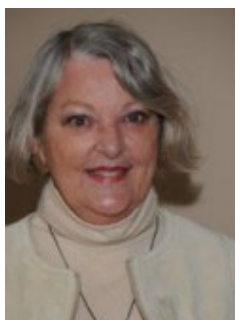
Networking—Courtney Orr. Courtney is a 2014 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is an Assistant Attorney General (Criminal Appeals Division). She is a former law clerk to Judge Robert Holloway, TN Court of Criminal Appeals.



Membership—Joyce Safley. Joyce is a 1989 graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School and holds a masters in nursing. A former Administrative Law Judge, she is now in private practice.



Practicing Parents—Amanda Bradley. Amanda is a 2016 graduate of the Nashville School of Law. She Law Clerk and Judicial Assistant to the Honorable Frank G. Clement Jr. on the Tennessee Court of Appeals.



Mentoring/Member Development—Nancy Krider Corley. Nancy is a 1970 graduate of the Nashville School of Law. She is a Partner in the firm of Corley Lyle Levy and Langford PLC.



Practicing Parents—Lynne Ingram. Lynne is a 2003 graduate of Western Michigan University Cooley Law School. She is an Assistant U.S. Attorney, where she focuses on a variety of criminal cases, including violent crimes, gun crimes, and child exploitation cases.



Programs—Tayo Atanda Tayo is a 2012 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. He is an Attorney at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis LLP.



Programs—Gulam Zade. Gulam is a 2011 graduate of the University of Louisville. He is General Counsel at LOGICFORCE.



Programs—Laura Baker. Laura is a 2006 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is a Shareholder in the Law Offices of John Day, PC. Laura served as the 2014-2015 LAW President and was the recipient of the 2016 Rising Star Award.



Publicity/Technology/Social Media—Caroline Hudson. Caroline is a 2014 graduate of the University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. She is an Associate at the Law Offices of John Day, PC.



Programs—Valerie Diden Moore. Valerie is a 2004 graduate of Vermont Law School. She is an Attorney at Butler Snow LLP. She is a former judicial clerk for Magistrate Judge Joe B. Brown, Jr.



2019 Marion Griffin Women’s Symposium—Kay Caudle. Kay is a 2000 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is General Counsel for STR.



Programs—Malaka Watson. Malaka is a 2010 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She is Corporate Counsel at HealthTrust Purchasing Group.



2019 Marion Griffin Women’s Symposium—Andrea Perry. Andrea is a 2000 graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School. She is an Attorney at Bone McAllester & Norton PLLC.

Membership Directory

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Did You Know ?

LAW's Past Presidents meet annually for breakfast on the first Wednesday in May? The tradition began 20 years ago to celebrate the incoming president. It is an opportunity for the new president to share her platform for the upcoming presidential year, and seek counsel of those who previously led the association.



(From L) 2019 President-Elect Christen Blackburn, Past Presidents Laura Baker, Candice Reed, Mary Dohner Smith holding Candice's daughter, Stella.



(From L) Past Presidents, Former Chancellor Rose Cantrell, Chancellor Claudia Bonnyman and President-Elect Christen Blackburn.

The Culinary



The Chef and I

If you're looking for an interactive culinary experience, then you must visit The Chef and I. The restaurant is the creation of husband and wife restaurateurs, Erica Rains and Executive Chef Chris Rains. The Chef and I began as a catering company in 2008, with the restaurant first opening in 2012 in Lenox Village, then relocation to the Gulch in 2018.

We sat at the chef's counter and spent our evening chatting and laughing with Chef Chris and his staff. I definitely recommend counter seating if it is available. The menu is filled with appetizer and entrée options or you can try the Chef's Tasting Courses. The tasting courses change daily and sometimes hourly depending on the ingredients on hand. One of the things I liked about The Chef and I's tasting courses was that you could select from either three, five, or seven courses.

We selected a beef carpaccio appetizer, a duck entrée, and opted for the chef's seven courses. We also added the wine pairings with the tasting course. It was all delicious, but we quickly realized we had ordered way too much food when we saw the size of the "tasting" courses. Nevertheless, we were able to try everything, and I had leftovers the next day. My favorites from the chef's unique creations featured bacon, cauliflower, Berkshire pork, and scallops.

I have been to several interactive cooking restaurants, and I am usually never disappointed with the food and experience. That being said, interactive dining experiences have a tendency to be pricey and leave you hungry at the night as the portions are usually small. The Chef and I is an exception to that preconceived notion.

If you're looking for a fun night out, The Chef and I is a great choice! It's perfect for a date night or with a group of friends. Also, because The Chef and I's offerings change based on the availability of ingredients, most of which are locally sourced, you'll always find new culinary creations.



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