

# THE ADVOCATE

April  
2016



Judge Lampson  
swearing in the  
incoming 2016  
Board Members.

## Upcoming events:

### APRIL Meeting/CLE

**When:** April 20th  
3:00 to 5:00 pm  
Happy Hour at 5:00  
Dinner at 5:45

**Where:** Hollywood Casino at  
Kansas Speedway

**Cost:** CLE is \$30  
Dinner is \$25  
Both for \$50

**CLE Topic:** Consumer Law  
presented by A.J.  
Stecklein and  
Michael Rapp

**Speaker:** Mark Ebbitts will  
speak about Travel  
in the New Millenium

### MAY Meeting/CLE

**When:** May 18th  
3:00 to 5:00 pm

**CLE Topic:** Health Care Law

**\*Note the CLE has been  
moved up 1 hr earlier.**

### APRIL BAR MEETING SPEAKER: Mark Ebbitts

Our guest speaker will be Mark Ebbitts, President of Shelton Travel Service. Shelton Travel was founded in 1945 by Mark's mother, Kay Shelton. In 1979 Mark joined the agency after a very rewarding career as an Electrical Engineer. In 1989 he became President of Shelton Travel, and Kay was named Chairman.

Mark has traveled extensively and been round the world 2 times, and has visited over 250 countries. He is a CTC (certified travel counselor) and has worked on many European vacations including romantic Provence France, spectacular England and Ireland. Mark's topic will be Travel in the New Millennium. What travel places are hot or not, safe or too scary. This is not a talk about group or cruise travel but about world adventure. He has been there, done it, and can answer any question from his first-hand knowledge.

Mark is or has been active in many Kansas City charities including Jazzoo, Jewel Ball, The Nelson Atkins Museum, Starlight Theatre, America Cancer Society, and many, many more. Mark has served on various travel advisory boards, and is a past member of the Aviation Board of Kansas City. Mark is also currently serving the City of Kansas City, MO on the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

## Save the Date

The Annual Wyandotte County Bar Association Golf Tournament is coming up on June 30th.

Start getting your teams together and if you have any questions contact Zak Kolich at [zak@mrwallaw.com](mailto:zak@mrwallaw.com)



## A message from our President

**One of the things I love most about practicing law in Wyandotte County is the strong sense of community and camaraderie found amongst the members of the bar. That is one of the reasons it is my honor and privilege to be chosen to serve as your Wyandotte County Bar President this year.**

**As President of the Bar Association, I am looking forward to an exciting and successful year! We have some great**

**events planned, and, as always, we have top notch speakers and CLE's. Ray Probst and Jane Wilson have taken over our CLE program this year. The Wyco Bar CLE programs are still one of the most affordable and convenient ways to fulfill your annual CLE requirements.**

**This year promises a lot of opportunities to enjoy social and networking time with your fellow attorneys. The golf tournament is on June 30, 2016, and is always a fun time and a great success. This year, we will again host a family event at the TBones game on July 7, 2016. Last year, many members enjoyed this family friendly event, and we are excited to offer it again this year. Judge Burns and Judge Griffin will be planning our Deceased Attorneys program. Our social committee will be planning some fun social hours throughout the year for our members. We will also plan a community service project and ask for participation from our membership. Please be on the lookout for those events as dates get finalized.**

**The Wyandotte County Bar is only as great as its membership, and I encourage each and every one of you to attend as many events as you can this year. Many people work extremely hard on the board all year on behalf of all of the members, and we sincerely hope that you take advantage of all the Wyandotte County Bar has to offer. I look forward to seeing all of you throughout this coming year!**

**Renee S. Henry,  
President**

**Jury verdicts** January, February & March**Civil****Division 3****3/7/16**

Case No. 15 CV 494

Martin vs. May and Farmers Insurance Company

Type of case: Automobile accident

Plaintiff: Blaine Dickerson

Defense: Lisa Bower

Verdict: For the Defendant

**Division 6****3/2/16**

Case No. 13 CV 962

Jacqueline Allison vs. Diana Parks

Type of case: Automobile accident

Plaintiff: John Ivan

Defense: John Pazel

Verdict: For the Plaintiff in the amount of  
\$30,000**Criminal****Division 4****1/4/16**

Case No. 15 CR 667

State of Kansas vs. Edroy D. Taylor

Prosecution: Jennifer Tatum

Defense: Damon Mitchell

Charges: Count I—Aggravated Indecent  
Liberties with a Child  
Count II—Domestic BatteryVerdict: Hung on Count I, not guilty on  
Count II.**2/22/16**

Case No. 14 CR 1209

State of Kansas vs. Dominaez Thomas

Prosecution: Shawn Boyd

Defense: Dionne Scherff

Charges: Count I—Aggravated Battery

Verdict: Not guilty.

**Division 5****1/19/16**

Case No. 15 CR 291

State of Kansas vs. Scottie Lindsay

Prosecution: Jennifer Tatum

Defense: Michael Sexton

Charges: Count I—First Degree Murder  
Count II—Attempted First Degree  
MurderCount III—Criminal Possession of  
a FirearmVerdict: Guilty of lesser included charge of  
Second Degree Murder on Count I,  
guilty of lesser included charge of  
Attempted Second Degree Murder  
on Count II, guilty on Count III.**1/26/16**

Case No. 15 CR 641

State of Kansas vs. Christian Peterson

Prosecution: Jennifer Tatum

Defense: Fred Zimmerman

Charges: Count I—Aggravated Indecent  
Liberties with a Child  
Count II—Lewd and Lascivious  
BehaviorVerdict: Guilty on Count I, not guilty on  
Count II.**2/16/16**

Case No. 13 CR 1368

State of Kansas vs. Timothy Hernandez

Prosecution: Mollie Hill

Defense: Phillip Sedgwick

Charges: Count I—Aggravated Criminal  
Sodomy  
Count II—Rape

Verdict: Hung.

**Jury verdicts** (continued)**2/29/16**

Case No. 15 CR 73

State of Kansas vs. Anthony Whitehead

Prosecution: Jacob Fishman

Defense: Richard Klein

Charges: Count I—Aggravated Assault

Verdict: Hung

Charges: Count I—Kidnapping  
 Count II—Aggravated Robbery  
 Count III—Burglary  
 Count IV—Theft

Verdict: Hung jury on all counts

**Division 8****1/25/16**

Case No. 14 CR 1188

State of Kansas vs. George Lingenfelter

Prosecution: Jerome Gorman

Defense: Bret Richman

Charge: Count I—First Degree Murder

Verdict: Guilty of lesser included charge of Second Degree Murder.

**2/8/16**

Case No. 15 CR 121

State of Kansas vs. Andrew Farish

Prosecution: Alan Fogleman

Defense: Mike Nichols

Charge: Count I—Second Degree Murder  
 Count II—Felon in Possession of a Firearm

Verdict: Not guilty on all counts.

**3/14/16**

Case No. 15 CR 543

State of Kansas vs. Jasper T. Epps

Prosecution: Johnathan Grube

Defense: Cline Boone

Charge: Count I—Forgery  
 Count II—Interference with Law Enforcement

Verdict: Guilty on Count I, not guilty on Count II.

**3/21/16**

Case No. 13 CR 1353

State of Kansas vs. John D. Ward

Prosecution: Jacob Fishman

Defense: David Mandelbaum

Charge: Count I—Cultivation of Marijuana  
 Count II—Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute  
 Count III—Possession of Controlled Substance without a Tax Stamp

Verdict: Not guilty on all counts

**Division 9****1/11/16**

Case No. 15 CR 28

State of Kansas vs. Warren Richardson

Prosecution: Jennifer Tatum

Defense: John Duma

Charges: Count I—Attempted First Degree Murder  
 Count II—Rape

Verdict: Hung.

**2/1/16**

Case No. 15 CR 234 &amp; 15 CR 235

State of Kansas vs. Cecil Meggerson and Dyron King

Prosecution: Kristiane Bryant and Shawn Boyd

Defense: James Spies (Meggerson)  
 Debera Erickson (King)

Charges: Count I—Attempted Capital Murder

Verdict: Guilty as to both defendants.

**2/16/16**

Case No. 14 CR 1009

State of Kansas vs. Thomas Stuteville

Prosecution: Ethan Zipf-Sigler

Defense: Craig Lubow

Charges: Count I—Burglary  
 Count II—Theft

Verdict: Guilty on all counts.

## Jury verdicts *(continued)*

Old photos, like these:

### Division 16

1/18/16

Case No. 12 CR 1268

State of Kansas vs. Eddie Fry

Prosecution: Ian Tomasic

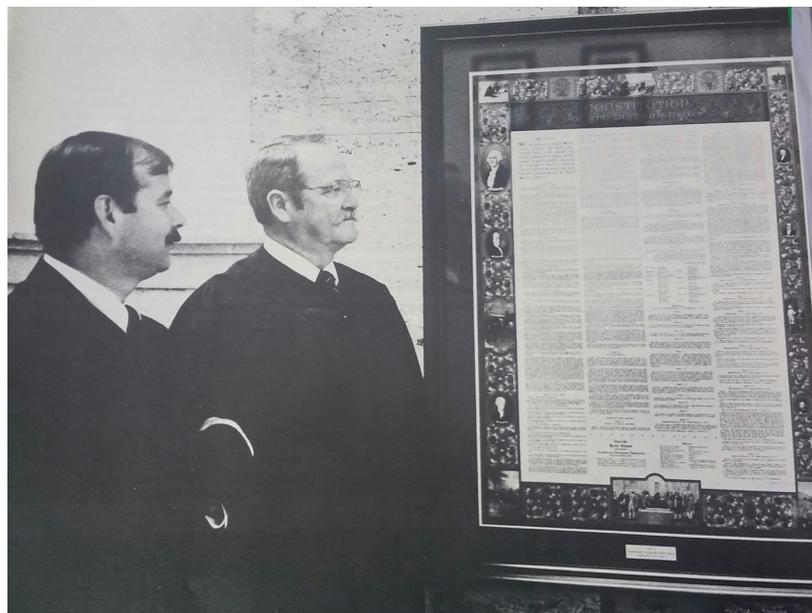
Defense: Paul Dent

Charge: Count I—Possession  
Marijuana with Intent to Distribute

Verdict: Hung

### SPECIAL REQUEST:

This year, in lieu of a roast we will be presenting photographs and stories of past and present bar members. This will be a fun trip down memory lane! If you have any old photographs you'd like to share, please contact Casey Meyer at [cmeyer@wycokck.org](mailto:cmeyer@wycokck.org).



Retired Judges Tom Boeding and Leo Moroney.



The caption from this photo from 1987 read: "Left to right: Jim Foster, Jerry Gorman, Tom Boeding, John Duma, and Bob DeCoursey tee it up on the eighth hole while C.B. (Cool Breeze) Burdette skulks off after putting his tee shot into the pond"

## Ask a Lawyer Program

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