



BABC's Nashville Office Names Lela Hollabaugh Managing Partner

Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP (BABC) named Lela Hollabaugh managing partner of its Nashville office. She will continue to lead the firm's Business Litigation Team.

Hollabaugh is a former chair of the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility and a graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Law. She succeeds partner Robert S. Patterson.

BABC also appointed Nashville partners Emily Hatch Bowman and Ty E. Howard as new practice group chairs within the firm.



Stites & Harbison PLLC Establishes Entertainment Law Practice

Stites & Harbison PLLC is opening a new, Nashville-based entertainment law practice, according to the Nashville Business Journal. Stephanie Taylor of Bone McAllester PLLC will be brought on as a partner and will lead the new practice. Taylor serves on the board of the Foundation for Bluegrass Music and the International Bluegrass Music Museum.



Dave Yoder, Nashville Lawyers Receive Awards at Equal Justice University

Dave Yoder, executive director of Legal Aid of East Tennessee, received the 2nd Annual Janice M. Holder Award at the Equal Justice University (EJU) 2015 in Murfreesboro. The award recognizes an individual who has advanced the quality of justice statewide by ensuring that the legal system is open and accessible to all. Lenny Croce of the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland received the B. Riney Green Award for his collaborative efforts to promote law reform for the protection of low income Tennesseans. Robert Downs of the Legal Aid Society of East Tennessee received the New Advocate of the Year Award for his effective advocacy efforts on behalf of domestic violence victims in the Knoxville area. Tennessee Bar Association President Bill Harbison spoke at the EJU Leadership Luncheon alongside Herman Hicks of First Tennessee and Cedric Harris of Memphis Area Legal Services.

Baker Donelson Names Rowland, Gilmer New Practice Group Leaders

Nashville attorneys John H. Rowland and Courtney H. Gilmer were named new practice group leaders in the Financial Services Department of Baker Donelson, according to the Nashville Ledger. Rowland was named chair of Corporate Restructuring and Bankruptcy Group, and Gilmer was named co-leader of Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Task Force.

Janice Holder Named to Tennessee Women's Hall of Fame

Janice Holder, the first female chief justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court, will be inducted into the Tennessee Women's Hall of Fame, according to the Tennessee Bar

Association. Former NASA astronaut Rhea Seddon and six other women will also be inducted as a part of the 12th Annual Economic Summit for Women.

Three Middle Tennessee Firms Announce Their Launch

Nashville attorneys Bill Lassiter, Bill Farmer, Bill Purcell, Jim White, Jonathan Farmer, John Belcher, Elizabeth Sykes, Hank Hildebrand, Tim Kappel and Curtis Harrington have formed Farmer Purcell White & Lassiter PLLC. Parks Snyder PLLC, a new firm formed by Houston Parks and Shawn Snyder in Columbia, will specialize in domestic relations and estate planning. William B. Hawkins III and Miller Hogan are re-branding their firm as Hawkins Hogan PLC, according to the Nashville Post.

LaunchTN Appoints Paul Ney to Board of Directors

Nashville attorney and Tennessee Bar Association General Counsel Paul Ney was appointed to the LaunchTN board of directors by House Speaker Beth Harwell, R-Nashville, according to the Nashville Ledger. Ney is a partner of Patterson Intellectual Property Law PC, and he previously served as director of the Nashville Davidson County Mayor's Office of Economic and Community Development.

NFJE Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees Appoints Nashville Lawyer

L. Gino Marchetti, Jr. of Taylor, Pigue, Marchetti and Blair PLLC was elected to the National Foundation of Judicial Excellence's (NFJE) Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. Marchetti has been a partner with Taylor, Pigue, Marchetti and Blair since 1977.

Megan Barry Names Jon Cooper Nashville's Metro Law Director

Under Nashville Mayor Megan Barry's administration, Metro Council attorney Jon Cooper will serve as the new director of the Metro Department of Law, according to The Tennessean. Cooper replaces Saul Solomon.



Kristina Schrader to Lead Firm's New Anti-Counterfeiting Practice

Kristina Montanaro Schrader joined the Nashville office of Adams and Reese and will lead the firm's Anti-Counterfeiting Practice team that will serve clients in combating counterfeiting, piracy and other intellectual property infringements, according to [Inside Counsel](#).

Matt Potempa Named a Fellow by American Bar Association Law Practice Division

The American Bar Association Law Practice Division announced its [Fellows Class of 2015-2016](#), which includes Matt Potempa of Martin, Heller, Potempa and Sheppard PLLC. Criteria for candidacy includes a history of bar involvement, public service and excellence in the law profession.

Tennessee Ranks Sixth in Lawyer Population Growth

Tennessee is ranked sixth in the greatest growth for lawyer population during a 10-year trend, according to the American Bar Association's [2015 National Lawyer Population Survey](#). Lawyer population grew 17.7 percent overall in the last decade.

August 2015 Circuit Court Trial Report

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DEPARTMENTS BY THE NUMBERS August 2015								
CIRCUIT COURT				GENERAL SESSIONS CIVIL				
	Current	YTD		Current	YTD			
New Civil Cases Filed	212	1,566	Total New Cases Filed	4,174	30,099			
Jury Demand	114	804	Civil Warrants	1,688	13,514			
Non-Jury	98	762	Detainer Warrants	1,268	7,233			
New Divorce Cases Filed	205	1,553	Recovery Warrants	25	355			
Domestic Petitions Filed	69	965	Pet for Order of Protection	393	2,758			
Orders of Protection Filed	89	860	Emergency Commitments	771	6,083			
Judicial Commitments Filed	19	191	Immediate Possession	2	26			
New Adoption Petitions	10	89	Sue & Attach	0	2			
Civil Cases Concluded	190	1,481	Petitions to Interplead	2	2			
Jury Demand	133	994	Counterclaims	15	95			
Non-Jury	57	487	Distress Warrants	10	31			
Divorce Cases Concluded	161	1,570	Executions Issued	4,127	30,329			
Domestic Petitions Concluded	85	907	Garnishment Payments	1,457	31,338			
			Judgments Collected	\$819,053	\$7,612,282			
PROBATE COURT				TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS BUREAU				
	Current	YTD		Current	YTD			
Total New Cases Filed	170	1,443	Total Traffic Violations	8,835	72,716			
Total Cases Closed	166	3,422	Moving Citations	5,399	44,438			
Probate Will	75	616	Parking Citations	1,436	28,278			
Probate Will for Murniment of Title	9	56	Environmental Citations	170	898			
Letters of Administration	23	194	Total Fines Collected	\$277,923	\$2,461,245			
Small Estate Affidavits	25	251	Municipalities	416	3,127			
Conservatorship	20	179	Municipalities Fees Collected	\$4,993	\$17,536			
Guardianship of Minor	2	42	Credit Card Payments	4,956	41,675			
Name Change	11	65						
Trust Matters	5	22						
Other Miscellaneous	0	24						
CIRCUIT COURT TRIALS BY CASE TYPE								
AUTO ACCIDENT	Current	YTD	CONTRACT	Current	YTD	MISCELLANEOUS	Current	YTD
Total Cases Tried	5	22	Total Cases Tried	4	23	Total Cases Tried	9	54
Plaintiff Verdicts	4	35	Plaintiff Verdicts	2	13	Plaintiff Verdicts	5	34
Defendant Verdicts	1	7	Defendant Verdicts	2	6	Defendant Verdicts	3	17
Other/Under Adv	0	0	Other/Under Adv	0	2	Other/Under Adv	1	3
Jury Trials	3	20						
Non-Jury Trials	2	2						
Appeal from U.S.	1	3	HEALTH CARE LIABILITY					
Plaintiff Verdict	1	2	Total Cases Tried	0	1			
Defendant Verdict	0	1	Plaintiff Verdicts	0	0			
Other/None	0	0	Defendant Verdicts	0	1			
			Other/Under Adv/Jury	0	0			

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