

## **May 2007 Scriptum**

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### **THE SCRIPTUM**

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**MAY MEETING:** The May “meeting” of the Linn County Bar Association will be at the Cedar Rapids Kernels baseball game on Friday, June 1, 2007. For more information, please go to the LCBA website, [www.linncobar.org](http://www.linncobar.org). You can sign up to attend the LCBA event by e-mailing Jeannie McCall at [jmccall@lynchdallas.com](mailto:jmccall@lynchdallas.com)

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR EDITOR :** Mary Klingler, the editor of this publication, has changed employment. She can now be reached at Lederer Weston Craig, PLC, 118 Third Avenue S.E., Suite 700, P. O. Box 1927, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1927; phone - 365-1184; fax – 365-1186; e-mail – [mklingler@lwclawyers.com](mailto:mklingler@lwclawyers.com). The deadline for submitting information to be included in each issue is 10 days prior to the date of the monthly meeting.

**INVESTITURE OF JUDGE SCOLES:** The United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa invites you to witness the Investiture of the Honorable Jon Stuart Scoles at the U. S. Courthouse in Cedar Rapids on May 24, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Karo Stigler **by May 16, 2007** at 286-2344 or [Karo\\_Stigler@iand.uscourts.gov](mailto:Karo_Stigler@iand.uscourts.gov)

**ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON JUNE 14, 2007 :** The Annual Meeting of the LCBA will be held on June 14, 2007. Committee Chairs are reminded to submit their reports to President Eugene Kopecky prior to the meeting.

**REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** The Nominating Committee of the LCBA has selected the following slate of nominees to be placed on the ballot for election at the June 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting:

President-Elect: Scott McLeod (to be President in 2008-09)

Secretary: Stephanie Hinz (term expiring 2009)

Board of Governors: Darin Luneckas (term expiring 2010); Mary Chicchelly (term expiring 2010); Laura Mueller (term expiring 2008)

Current President-Elect Allison Heffern will become President at the June 14 meeting.

In addition to the names submitted by the Nominating Committee, any member of the LCBA may have his or her name placed upon the ballot for a position by submitting to the LCBA a petition with at least 10 LCBA members' signatures. Nomination petitions shall be submitted to LCBA President Gene Kopecky ([gkopecky@akklaw.com](mailto:gkopecky@akklaw.com)) at least four weeks prior to the meeting (by May 17, 2007). Members will vote on and elect the officers and governors for the open positions at the Annual Meeting.

**SUMMER OUTING:** The annual Linn County Bar Association Summer Outing will be held on Thursday, July 12, 2007. You should have received your mailing with postcards. Please return them as soon as possible. Questions can be directed to Dave Thinnes at 363-3185.

**LCBA SUMMER OUTING BIKE RIDE TAILWIND TRAINING RIDES AND LCBA RAGBRAI TEAM:** LCBA members and their cycling friends and family members are invited to a series of "Tailwind Training" rides to be held **every other Wednesday night starting May 16 at 5:30 p.m.** Rides will be approximately 15 miles, have sag-wagon support, include an ice cream stop and will be designed for a tailwind on the final leg of the route. For more information, please contact Stephanie Hinz at 366-7621 or [shinz@pbalawfirm.com](mailto:shinz@pbalawfirm.com).

THERE'S MORE! The LCBA is interested in putting together a bike team for RAGBRAI 2008. To prepare, a "test" team is doing Thursday through Saturday of this year's ride (Cedar Falls-Independence-Dyersville-Bellevue). Please contact Allison Heffern at 366-7641 or [aheffern@simmonsperine.com](mailto:aheffern@simmonsperine.com) for more information.

**THANK YOU FROM KIDS FIRST:** Kids First Law Center's 2-year anniversary was a big success, with over 75 attorneys and judges in attendance and over \$5,600 raised! Thank you to all who participated and thank you to the LCBA for its year-round support. The auction results can be viewed [here](#).

**THANK YOU LETTER FROM CHIEF JUDGE DAVID REMLEY:** Click here to see a letter from Sixth Judicial District Chief Judge David Remley, thanking the Linn County Bar Association for its funding for a private mental health referee: [Judge Remley's letter](#)

**IOWA DOCS® TRAINING:** The Iowa State Bar Association is offering Iowa Docs® 2007 Training in Cedar Rapids at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Tuesday, June 12, 2007. To obtain more information and to register online, go to [www.iowadocs.net](http://www.iowadocs.net).

**WANT ADS:**

**Associate Wanted:** Senior attorney working toward semi-retirement seeks an associate to join five-person, well-established and well-furnished association in Cedar Rapids. Seeking an attorney with interest on taking on additional work in general practice with emphasis on real estate, litigation and general business. Responses held in strictest confidence. Reply to Carson Reporting, LCBA, P O Box 74127, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407.

**For Sale:** Solid walnut conference room table, approximately 8 feet. Made in the Amanas, 1984. Has Amana stamp. \$5,000 or best offer. Contact Stephanie at P O Box 8177, Cedar Rapids, IA 52408-8177.

**Attorney Wanted:** Seeking attorney who wishes to build a private practice. First three months of rent free. Phone system, state-of-the-art void mail, own phone number and phone line, DSL, server, scanner, fax, copier, conference room, free convenient client parking, IowaDocs, Child Support Guidelines software, some legal assistant services available. Send resume and letter of interest to the attention of Stephanie at P O Box 8177, Cedar Rapids, IA 52408-8177. All inquiries held in strictest confidence.

**For Sale:** Multi-line Vodavi telephone system, 10 phones. Contact John Lane at 363-3839.

**Office Space for Rent.** Attractive modern office building in suburban setting. Ample free parking for staff and clients. Conference room, kitchen, updated office equipment and phones. 1-4 offices to rent on short or long-term contracts. Call Dave Mullin or Anne Laverty at 395-9191.

**Office Space Available.** Office space is available with other sole practitioners in the historic Averill House located in a developing medical area, 1120 2nd Avenue S.E., Cedar Rapids. Includes phone system with voice mail, DSL, two conference rooms, free client parking and available paralegal services. Furnishings and office equipment available. Very reasonable overhead expense. Contact Wm. F. Olinger at 319 - 364-0113 or [wmfolinger@aol.com](mailto:wmfolinger@aol.com).

**Associate Wanted for Downtown Law Office.** Prime downtown office space available in the Dows Building. Newer office equipment, large office, very reasonable. Case referrals available. All inquiries to 364-1538; ask for Mary.

**LCBA MEMBER CONTACT INFO ON LCBA WEBSITE - UPDATE YOURS TODAY!**

Did you know contact information for all LCBA members is available to the public via the LCBA website? However, some of the contact information listed on the website is out of date! Please take a minute to view the information listed for your name at [www.linncobar.org/directory/attorneys/index.html](http://www.linncobar.org/directory/attorneys/index.html) and let the LCBA know if any changes need to be made by emailing [webmaster@linncobar.org](mailto:webmaster@linncobar.org).

**PLACEMENTS NEEDED FOR PARALEGAL INTERNS:** The Kirkwood Community College Paralegal Program has an unusually large intern class to place this summer. If you have a need for an intern in your office, please contact Wendy Geertz at [wendy.geertz@kirkwood.edu](mailto:wendy.geertz@kirkwood.edu).

**ELMO AVAILABLE:** Your LCBA has purchased an Elmo for use at the Linn County Courthouse. For use, call the Court Administrator to schedule.

**UPDATED, CORRECT E-MAIL ADDRESSES REQUESTED:** If you know of someone who is not receiving this publication via e-mail, please have them contact the LCBA at [webmaster@linncobar.org](mailto:webmaster@linncobar.org) so the LCBA can verify the correct e-mail address for that individual.

**NOTIFICATIONS OF CHANGES OF ADDRESS:** If you have a new address, please notify the Linn County Bar Association at P. O. Box 74127, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-4127, or via e-mail, to: [webmaster@linncobar.org](mailto:webmaster@linncobar.org).

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**ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR FILLING STAFF POSITIONS:** Pat Brush, Employment Committee Chair of the Legal Support Professionals of Linn County, encourages any attorney looking for someone to fill a vacant staff position to call her at 366-7641.

**USURYRATE:** In accordance with the provisions of Section 535.2(3)(a), 2005 Iowa Code, the Superintendent of Banking has determined that the maximum lawful rate of interest provided for in said section shall be 6.50% for the month of May and 6.75% for the month of June. Please note the exemption in subsection 2 of said Chapter 535.2. **The usury rate is available on the Internet at [www.idob.state.ia.us](http://www.idob.state.ia.us).**