

# Law Week

OCTOBER 14 – 18, 2019



## MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019

**Monday, October 14th, 12:00 - 1:00 pm**

**Nevertheless She Persisted: Women Claiming their Rightful Place in the Judiciary from 1870 to 2020 | Room 170**

Panelists: Hon. Colleen Clark (Arapahoe County Court, Colo.), Hon. Dawnessa Snyder (Wyo. Dist. Court of the Second Judicial District), Hon. Tori R.A. Kricken (Wyo. Dist. Court of the Second Judicial District)

*Despite the fact the first woman joined the judiciary in Wyoming nearly 150 years ago, women still fight for judicial "firsts."*

**Sponsored by: Women's Law Forum**

**Monday, October 14th, 6:00 - 7:30 pm**

**Building Your Theory of the Case: Finding the Story Beyond the Law | Room 178**

Speakers: Garvin Isaacs (Garvin A. Isaacs, Inc., Oklahoma City, Ok.), Alaina Stedillie (Wellborn Sullivan Meck and Tooley, Casper, Wyo.)

*Many trials are won and lost, not based on the legal issues, but on who the judge or jury believes. How does a trial lawyer turn those confusing and conflicting facts into a compelling story which addresses the relevant legal issues, and convinces the factfinder to accept that story as the most likely version of events?*

**Sponsored by: Wyoming Trial Lawyers Association**

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019

**Tuesday, October 15th, 5:00 - 6:30 pm**

**Unveiling the "Ghost of the Innocent Man Convicted" with the Power of DNA | Room 178**

Speakers: Professor Lauren McLane (UW Defender Aid Clinic), Brittany Wright (Forensic Scientist)

*Please join Professor Lauren McLane of the College of Law and Forensic Scientist Brittany Wright as they discuss wrongful convictions and the power of DNA to both exonerate the wrongfully convicted and lead us to necessary reforms of our criminal justice system. Ms. Wright will also share her role in the exoneration of Donovan Allen in the state of Washington where DNA testing she conducted led to Donovan's freedom after 15 years of wrongful incarceration.*

**Sponsored by: Equal Justice Student Chapter**

**Tuesday, October 15th, 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

**The Human Right to Water in the Context of the Wind River Indian Reservation | Room 178**

Speaker: Professor Itzchak Kornfeld (Mercer University School of Law)

*The Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho from the Wind River Indian Reservation both have problems/issues both with water infrastructure and contaminated water from the Susquehanna-Western mine. Do these U.S. citizens have a right to uncontaminated potable water?*

**Sponsored by: Wyoming Society for International Law & the Center for International Human Rights and Advocacy**

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019

**Wednesday, October 16th, 12:00 - 1:00 pm**

**The Need for and Benefits of Providing Pro Bono Legal Services | Room 170**

Speaker: Angie Dorsch

*Expanding the availability of legal advice and information to low-income individuals plays a vital role in upholding the integrity of our justice system and maintaining access to and efficiency in our civil courts. Attendees will learn about Equal Justice Wyoming, access to justice initiatives across the state, the need for assistance for pro se litigants, and opportunities to become involved in Equal Justice Wyoming's mission to provide access to justice for low-income individuals.*

**Sponsored by: Equal Justice Wyoming Chapter**

**Wednesday, October 16th, 3:00 - 5:00 pm**

**The Addicted Lawyer | Room 178**

Speaker: Brian Cuban

*Substance use disorders have always been higher than the societal norm in the legal profession. Most lawyers know someone in the legal profession whose career was either lost or significantly harmed due to addiction. Brian Cuban discusses his experiences with mental health issues, both as a law student at the University of Pittsburgh and practicing attorney in Dallas Texas for over twenty years. Brian discusses his recovery, redefining his career as well as restoring family and passion for life.*

**Sponsored by: The Wyoming State Bar Association & The UW College of Law**

**Wednesday, October 16th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

**High Crimes and Misdemeanors: The Constitutional Power of Impeachment | Room 178**

Speaker: Professor Frank Bowman III (University of Missouri School of Law)

*Impeachment of an American President is again at the forefront of the minds of the American People. Frank Bowman III will discuss this flexible tool within the structure of our governmental system, that he argues is adaptable to the needs of any age. A question and answer session will immediately follow the presentation.*

**Sponsored by: American Constitution Society**

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019

**Thursday, October 17th, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**Wyoming Supreme Court Oral Arguments | Room 178**

*Oral Arguments to be followed by a Q & A Session with the Supreme Court Justices in time remaining.*

**Thursday, October 17th, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

**Herrera v. Wyoming – The Path Forward on American Indian Treaty Rights | Room 178**

Panelists: Kyle Gray, John Knepper, Kelly A. Rudd, Daniel Stone

*This program will provide a greater explanation of the Court's decision and outstanding legal and factual questions that may be resolved on remand. The panelists will also discuss the implications of the decision for the Crow Tribe and other Tribes with treaty hunting rights under the same and similar treaties.*

**Sponsored by: The Federal Indian Law and Tribal Section of the Wyoming State Bar Association**

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2018

**Friday, October 19th, 12:00 - 1:30 pm**

**Practicing Energy Law in the Rockies | Room 178**

Speaker: Alexander Obrecht (BakerHostetler)

*Mr. Alexander Obrecht will be sharing his experiences from practicing energy law and working with major companies to develop natural resources in Wyoming and other states. He worked vastly with to develop resources on public lands and has also worked on getting government regulations invalidated.*

**Sponsored by: Natural Resources Law Club**

**Friday, October 19th, 5:00 - 8:00 pm**

**Trelease Dinner: Topics on Water Law | Alice Hardy Stevens Center**

Speaker: Professor Dan Tarlock (Professor Emeritus, Chicago-Kent College of Law)

*Professor Tarlock is an internationally recognized expert in environmental law and the law of land and water use. He is currently one of three United States special legal advisors to the NAFTA Commission on Environmental Cooperation.*

**Sponsored by: Potter Law Club**

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