Our Young Lawyers Section, (“YLS”) aids and promotes the advancement of young lawyers and encourages their interest and participation in the State Bar. The YLS identifies and discusses the responsibilities and concerns unique to South Dakota young lawyers. They perform a variety of member and public service projects, which cultivates relationships on both a local and national level. I am very proud of our YLS, which has received national awards and recognition for their work!

In collaboration with USD School of Law Veterans Legal Education Group, the State Bar Veterans Committee, VA Justice Outreach and Military OneSource, the YLS has planned five walk-in Veteran Legal Clinics over three years. The legal clinics have provided legal assistance to approximately 135 veterans by over 60 volunteer attorneys.

Project Destination, implemented in 2017, is focused on Native American Student Recruitment. A panel of lawyers discuss with school-aged children the practice of law, the law school application process and law school resources. In its debut year, the YLS spoke with approximately 100 students and received help from approximately 20 young lawyers around the state. This program received second place from the ABA Young Lawyers Division, (“YLD”) for their EMBRACING Diversity Challenge. This honor included a monetary award of $1,000 to assist in continuing the program in 2018. We are looking forward to a successful 2018!

The YLS and the State Bar Women in Law committee recently formed a partnership to help Teen Courts across the state in recruiting volunteers to train teen advocates. Watch for the LAY TRACS announcement.

The YLS board of directors decides on public education and outreach programming for the Section each year. A few examples of excellent programming by the SD YLS in recent years include: We the People program (2015); Speakers Bureau (2016); and the Hagemann-Morris Young Lawyer Mentorship Coin Program (2016). Although some of these programs are no longer active, they were successful during implementation and received national recognition from the ABA YLD.

In addition to public service, the YLS provides member benefits. During the annual YLS Statewide Swearing-In Ceremony, usually held in October, Chief Justice Gilbertson administers the oath to new State Bar members. This takes place in the Capitol rotunda in the presence of their friends and families. I was fortunate to address the new lawyers this year and it is refreshing to see the pride and excitement as they accept the oath.

The Hagemann-Morris Young Lawyer Mentorship Coin Program was established in 2010 by then bar-president Bob Morris and Young Lawyer President Sarah Sharp Theophilus. The program formalizes a process that for many decades took place organically, through connections forged at law firms and other close-knit bar communities. The mentorship program offers new bar members one-on-one guidance on elements of a highly competent practice, while promoting the professionalism, civility and collegiality that makes South Dakota one of the best places in the country to practice law. The YLS oversees the operation of the program, receives applications and endeavors to find an appropriate mentorship match for all new lawyers requesting a mentor. The YLS Board of Directors also organizes two “mentorship mixers” for each judicial circuit every year. The mixers are an opportunity for attorneys to celebrate the camaraderie and collegiality of our State Bar. I encourage you to attend any mixers planned in your circuit – they are definitely worth your time.

The Nuts & Bolts CLE is held in conjunction with the Statewide Swearing-In Ceremony with topics that cater to a young lawyer audience. The most
recent Nuts & Bolts CLE included presentations on civil procedure, mediation, pro bono services, and professional responsibility.

The Young Lawyers Boot Camp was designed to bring new lawyers together to discuss a variety of topics specific to their needs. Topics have included law practice management, networking and mentorship, professional development, professional responsibility and case planning and development. This year it is scheduled for March 2nd in both Rapid City and Sioux Falls. The Boot Camp incorporates a wellness section, which is “#Fit2PracticeSD.” It received recognition from the ABA YLD EMBRACING Diversity Challenge in 2016 for incorporating physical and mental health topics into State Bar CLE programming.

At the State Bar Annual meeting the YLS assists with a brief orientation for new attendees. The YLS coordinates a program called Project Connect to match new attendees and law students with bar members to the agenda and social events at the convention. The South Dakota Young Lawyer of the Year is selected each spring by the YLS and he or she is honored at the Annual Meeting YLS LegalPalooza Social.

In addition, our young lawyers are active on a national scale. Most recently, two of our young lawyer leaders have been appointed within the ABA Young Lawyer Division where they have tirelessly represented South Dakota.

Beth Overmoe, a former SD YLS President, most recently served on the ABA YLD Leadership Advisory Board, which considers overall policy and strategic planning for the Division. She also served as co-chair for a Re-Districting Task Force to assist with a comprehensive review of the ABA YLD governance structure and budget. Beth was the 2016-2017 National Conference Team coordinator, helping select and implement programming for four YLD conferences. She is a past YLD scholar and received a Star of the Quarter award. She was most recently recognized as an honoree for the annual On the Rise - Top 40 Young Lawyers, which provides national recognition for ABA young lawyer members who exemplify a broad range of high achievement, innovation, vision, leadership, and legal and community service. Due to this high level of involvement, I appointed Beth to serve as the SD Young Lawyer representative to the ABA House of Delegates from 2018-2020. Beth also is involved in the Professional Development Board for the ABA Law Practice Division and the Membership Board for the National Association of Bar Executives.

Current YLS President Elect Tamara Nash was elected by the YLS Board of Directors to serve as the District Representative for North Dakota and South Dakota. She was appointed by ABA YLD leadership to serve as the Diversity and Inclusion Vice-Director during the 2017-2018 bar year. She was also appointed by ABA president Hillarie Bass to serve on the ABA Commission on Lawyers Assistance Programs (COLAP). Previously, Tamara served as a Division Scholar (2016-2017) and also served on the ABA YLD National Conference Team and ABA Ethics and Professionalism Committee. Tamara will serve as the YLS president for the 2018-2019 bar year.

The road for involvement of these young lawyers was paved by other nationally involved SD YLS leaders who came before them; leaders like Sarah Sharp Theophilus and Francy Foral.

I am excited to see that the torch will continue to be passed. Three young lawyers will represent South Dakota at the ABA Midyear Meeting this month: Tamara Nash, Joe Wiltse and Kassie Shiffermiller. They will debate and vote on current issues in the YLD Assembly. If the Assembly passes a resolution, it will then be considered by the ABA House of Delegates. In addition, they will learn about successful community and member service projects being performed by other young lawyers around the country that can be implemented in SD.

Please join me in congratulating and extending your gratitude to our Young Lawyer Section leaders and members for their stellar public outreach and member service.

Wellness Tip: The Lawyers Assistance Committee and Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, with the financial support of the Bar Foundation, have produced a series of videos related to mental health issues that are crucial for us all to be aware of to recognize the signs and symptoms of several health risks for ourselves and our colleagues and to learn about the assistance available to all members as well as treatment options. The first of this video series may be viewed at https://youtu.be/LvgJVMAz4Vg. The other videos are also posted to the State Bar’s YouTube channel and will soon be available on our website under the Health and Wellness Tab.

Pamela Reith
One of the main tenants of the Young Lawyers Section of the State Bar has always been Public Service. Although we strive to assist our members and provide valuable resources to Young Lawyers across South Dakota, we also recognize the importance of giving back to our communities and finding ways to serve. This spring will be no different and there should be ample opportunity for lawyers to get involved in public service efforts through the YLS.

The YLS will again be working in conjunction with VLEG for the Spring Veteran’s Legal Clinics. Please mark your calendars for clinics on March 22 in Watertown and March 23 in Sioux Falls. The locations will be provided at a later date. These are great opportunities for lawyers to give back to our veteran communities and have been outstanding events in the past. If you have any questions about the Spring Clinics, please contact YL Board Members Jason Krause, Ole Olesen, or Justin Johnson.

The YLS Board is excited about our second year of Project Destination. This program focuses on bringing young lawyers into predominantly Native American schools and providing insight and information regarding preparing for law school and practicing law. We enjoyed working with many students last year and hope to continue to do the same this year. Stay tuned for dates and locations. A Young Lawyer Representative in your area may be contacting you to participate in a panel and help other students as they venture out on the legal path.

YLS is partnering with the Women in Law Committee to embark on the new adventure of Lawyers Assisting Youth to Take Responsibility and Create Solutions (LAY TRACS). Attorneys are encouraged to volunteer and participate in Teen Court Programs around the State to help motivate the youth in our communities to “lay tracks” to make better decisions in the future. Additional information on this program is featured in this month’s newsletter.

On a side note, for those interested in serving as a mentor to a young lawyer, or young lawyers searching for mentors themselves, the Young Lawyers Section is pleased to announce the introduction and utilization of the Mentorship Guide Book, available on the State Bar website. We hope this will be a convenient tool for our members to utilize through the mentorship process. If you have any questions, please contact YLS Secretary/Treasurer, Nathan Chicoine.

Finally, I have asked YLS 7th Circuit Representative Kassie McKie Shiffermiller to tell us a bit about her this month. Kassie has been a true asset to the Young Lawyers Section and she works hard in providing ideas and services for all young lawyers across the state. Thanks, Kassie, for sharing your story.

I was born and raised in Rapid City before moving to North Carolina to attend college. After graduating with a Business Administration degree and Spanish degree from Western Carolina University in 2011, the pull to come back home to South Dakota was too strong to ignore. I attended the University of South Dakota School of Law where I had the pleasure of learning from experienced and knowledgeable faculty, as well as the opportunity to call several talented future lawyers my classmates. While
attending law school, I also met my now-husband, Adam Shiffermiller.

After graduation, I joined Lynn, Jackson, Shultz & Lebrun, P.C., and I split my time between the Rapid City and Spearfish offices. My practice focuses on litigation, including commercial litigation, employment litigation, and insurance defense. At Lynn, Jackson, I have had the opportunity to learn from other attorneys with a wealth of knowledge and experience, which has led me to more opportunities than I could have ever imagined. As a young lawyer, I am appreciative to have other attorneys who are invested in helping me grow professionally, and who I know will be celebrating every victory along the way (even the small ones).

The Young Lawyers Section stresses the importance of experienced attorneys mentoring newly minted lawyers. The Hagemann-Morris Mentorship Coin Program is one way to formalize that relationship. However, a mentorship relationship does not need to be formal to be successful. I am grateful to have several attorneys, both coworkers and attorneys I do not work with, who check up on me from time to time. Sharing experiences with one another is vital to growing the strength of our profession. No one needs to reinvent the wheel, because someone else has (more than likely) already briefed that issue or drafted that provision in a contract. If you have some experience under your belt, don’t be afraid to share war stories, forms, briefs, or any other knowledge with new attorneys. They will be grateful for your kindness, and our profession will continue to be strong.
Many South Dakota lawyers have risen to the challenge of making the SD Bar Foundation a favorite charity. Such generosity deserves public acknowledgement. Therefore, the Bar Foundation Board of Directors has created a “Fellows” program to not only make such acknowledgement, but also to provide an opportunity for more of our members to participate and determine their personal level of professional philanthropy. Participation can be on an annual basis or by pledge with payments over a period of time. All contributions made to the “Fellows” program will be deposited in the Foundation’s endowment account managed by the SD Community Foundation – famous for low management fees and excellent investment returns. Donations to the endowment are tax deductible and a perpetual gift to our profession and the educational and charities the Foundation supports.

**Fellows of the South Dakota Bar Foundation**

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Foundation funds go to very important projects, including: Legal Services Programs in SD, Rural Lawyer Recruitment, SD Public Broadcasting of Legislative Sessions, SD Guardianship Program, Teen Court, Ask-A-Lawyer and Educational videos on ageing, substance abuse and mental health issues.

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Donations to the endowment are tax deductible and a perpetual gift to our profession and the education and charities the Foundation supports.
To: All Members of
The State Bar of South Dakota
From: Tom Barnett

We all have problems. And, most often, we manage to solve them ourselves, but sometimes we can't handle them alone. Recognizing that attorneys can develop personal problems that may jeopardize their health, family structure or employment, the State Bar of South Dakota provides members with the Sand Creek Member Assistance Program.

Sand Creek is a confidential telephonic counseling service that can help members solve personal and work related problems before they grow into serious and costly crises.

Employee Assistance Services (EAP) are provided by a staff of professional counselors, clinical psychologists, and social workers skilled at helping you identify and handle problems such as marital and family issues, chemical dependency, mental and emotional disorders and educational or career problems.

Free confidential telephonic services provided to you by Sand Creek include: problem assessment, action planning, and follow up along with 24-hour crisis telephone services. To access these services - see the box to your right.

The Sand Creek website, www.sandcreekeap.com, is a useful resource designed to help make your life easier. On the website you will find: Child care and elder care referrals; hundreds of articles on important mental and emotional health issues; work-related resources to help manage stress, cope with job changes or deal with a difficult boss; wellness resources including a comprehensive exercise, nutrition and healthy living portal that has hundreds of articles, recipes and tips for healthy living.

Confidentiality is the bedrock of a Member Assistance Program. All discussions and services are kept strictly confidential. The State Bar of South Dakota will not know that you are using the services. We encourage you to use this valuable benefit.

Sand Creek is a HIPPA compliant service.

Go to www.sandcreekeap.com
Click the Work Life Wellness Login Link
Our Company ID is sbsd1
Or call 800-632-7643
Monday-Friday, 7:30am-5pm CT

Immediate, Confidential Support
24 hours a day/7 days a week:
888-243-5744

All discussions and services are kept strictly confidential.

The State Bar of South Dakota will not know you are using the service. These services are FREE. You are encouraged to use this valuable benefit.
A group of Sioux Falls and Rapid City area attorneys are holding informal peer-led meetings of lawyers who have faced or are dealing with depression, anxiety and/or similar issues. Attendance is limited to lawyers. The groups generally meet twice a month and have confidentiality policies. For more information or to receive blind copies of group announcements, send an email to cariboucoffeeclub@gmail.com

**The Caribou Coffee Club is not affiliated with The State Bar of South Dakota, the Second Circuit Bar Association, or the Pennington County Bar Association.**

**LAWYERS CONCERNED FOR LAWYERS**

**LAWYERS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE**

Your Bar Leadership has been concerned that members needing help with chemical dependency or mental health issues may be reluctant to call State Bar Headquarters to inquire where to seek help. Phone calls seeking help for themselves or a loved one or a partner have always and will continue to be kept strictly confidential. That said, Bar Leadership has determined that a referral agency independent of the State Bar staff may reduce any reluctance to call.

Thus, beginning July 1st, we have entered into a contract with South Dakota Advocacy. Both LCL and LAC committees have provided names and contact information for referrals.

You will be provided with the names and phone numbers and proceed to call whomever you select from the appropriate list.

Disability Rights South Dakota: 605-224-8294 or toll free 800-658-4782

Phone calls to Disability Rights of SD are kept strictly confidential.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bangs, McCullen, Butler, Foye & Simmons, L.L.P. is pleased to announce that

Jeff Bratkiewicz

became a partner on January 1, 2018

6340 S. Western Avenue
Suite 160
P.O. Box 88208
Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Telephone: (605) 339-6800
Facsimile: (605) 339-6801
Email: Jeffb@bangsmccullen.com

www.bangsmccullen.com

Jeffrey P. Maks & the law firm of Finch Maks, Prof. L.L.C.

wishes to announce the relocation of their offices, effective February 1, 2018 to the following address located within the Mandalay Plaza:

4940 Fifth Street, Suite #1A
Rapid City, SD 57701

Telephone: (605) 791-4777
Facsimile: (605) 355-6868
www.finchmakslaw.com

Please note that the law firm of

Hope Matchan Law

has moved around the corner.

403 W. 22nd Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57105

(All phone numbers and email addresses will remain the same)

The Law Firm of Delaney, Nielsen & Sannes, PC is pleased to announce that

David A. Geyer

has become a partner in the firm effective January 1, 2018.

PO Box 9
520 2nd Avenue East
Sisseton, SD 57262

Telephone (605) 698-7084
Facsimile (605) 698-7178
Redstone Law Firm LLP is pleased to announce that

Lisa M. Prostrollo

has returned to the private practice of law as partner at Redstone Law Firm effective November 6, 2017. Lisa will be specializing in business and real estate law, as well as commercial litigation.

101 North Phillips Avenue, Suite 402
Sioux Falls SD 57104

Telephone: (605) 331-2975
lisa@redstonelawfirm.com

MorganTheeler LLP is pleased to announce that

RJ Rylance II

has become a partner with the firm effective January 1, 2018.

1718 N. Sanborn Blvd.
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Mitchell, SD, 57301

Telephone: 605-996-5588
Facsimile: 605-996-6129

Please note that the law firm of

Legacy Law Firm, P.C.

has relocated their office to

7404 S. Bitterroot Place
Sioux Falls, SD 57108

(All phone numbers and email addresses will remain the same)
Sexual harassment allegations can result in costly and damaging lawsuits. Now more than ever, employers need comprehensive policies and clear reporting procedures, including education on sexual harassment awareness and prevention detailing what is and is not appropriate, to create a healthy workplace and reduce exposure to litigation. Join Labor and Employment Law committee member Steve Bogue for a presentation on the procedures and policies every employer should have in place and how every employee should be informed of their rights and responsibilities to a safe working environment.

Steve is a 1972 graduate of USD School of Law and practices with the firm McGrath North in Omaha, Nebraska. The goal of Steve’s practice is twofold: First, to provide preventative advice to clients to help them avoid situations in the workplace which might lead to claims of employment-related discrimination or union organizational activity; second, when claims of discrimination have been made, to help clients either avoid liability or minimize any damages associated with such claims.
Trial Academy 2018
July 9-13, 2018
USD School of Law
Vermillion, South Dakota

Trial Academy will provide a step by step, hands-on learning experience where participants will individually develop their courtroom presence in the process of presenting a civil jury trial from jury selection through closing argument. It is designed for new lawyers who want to develop or experienced lawyers who want to practice their jury trial skills in a real-time setting, with mentored support from experienced trial lawyers and judges.

-Stephanie Pochop, ABOTA member

Meet the Faculty:

Heather Lammers-Bogard
Rapid City, SD

Jim Roby
Watertown, SD

Lonnie Braun
Rapid City, SD

Bob Morris
Belle Fourche, SD

Dick Casey
Sioux Falls, SD

Clint Sargent
Sioux Falls, SD

Tom Welk
Sioux Falls, SD

Renee Christensen
Sioux Falls, SD

Hon. David Gienapp
Madison, SD

Shawn Nichols
Sioux Falls, SD

Jana Miner
Pierre, SD
LAY TRACS
Lawyers Assisting Youth to Take Responsibility and Create Solutions

The State Bar of South Dakota’s Young Lawyer Section and Women in Law Committee are excited to announce a brand new service collaboration that members of the Bar will be proud to participate in. We are happy to introduce Lawyers Assisting Youth to Take Responsibility and Create Solutions, or LAY TRACS.

Lack of volunteer participation in our youth diversion and/or teen court programs is the number one barrier to a successful program. The Young Lawyer Section and the Women in Law Committee are challenging members of the State Bar to regularly participate in the twelve Teen Court programs across the state. Teen Courts offer youth the opportunity to take responsibility for their minor offenses and to make amends for any harm done without having to go through the formal court process. Attorneys are needed for training teen advocates – who act as prosecutor and defense counsel – and serving as judges. Teens can also participate by serving on the Teen Court jury that sentences the offender. Any student participating in Teen Court is bound to have a better understanding of how our judicial system works and the offender hopefully “lays tracks” to make better decisions in the future.

Attorneys who participate in three or more Teen Court sessions during a calendar year will be recognized at the Young Lawyers Mixer at the Bar Convention the following year and receive tokens of our appreciation. To participate in LAY TRACS, contact your local Teen Court Coordinator on the list provided. Once you participate in a session, please email kshiffermiller@lynnjackson.com with your name, the date of participation, and location.
# LAY TRACS

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<td>130 Kansas City Street Suite 300,</td>
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YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION 2018 BOOTCAMP

Date and Time: March 2, 2018 from 9-4 (mixer to follow)

Sioux Falls Location: Lumber Exchange Building, 101 S. Reid Street, RSVP to Nicole Tupman, nicole.tupman@midco.com

Rapid City Location: Pennington County Courthouse, 315 St. Joseph Street, 3rd Floor, RSVP to Kassie Shiffermiller, kshiffermiller@lynnjackson.com

Transactional Agenda

8:45-9:00: Registration for morning session and welcome
9:00-9:30: Contracts 101: Tips and Tricks for Contract Drafting
9:30-10:00: Employment 101: Identifying and Drafting Employment Policies and Contracts
10:00-10:20: Fit2Practice Break
10:20-11:00: Business 101: Drafting Purchase Agreements for Business & Real Estate
11:00-11:15: Break
11:15-12:00: Trust & Estates 101: Identifying Appropriate Documents for Your Client’s Needs

12:00-1:00: ALPS-sponsored lunch with the Judges for small group discussions

Litigation Agenda

12:45-1:00: Registration for afternoon session and welcome
1:00-1:45: Evidence 101: Pretrial Evidentiary Motions, and Objections During Trial
1:45-2:00: Break
2:00-2:30: Construction Law 101: Litigating a Construction Deficiency Case
2:30-3:00: Personal Injury 101: Investigating and Litigating a Personal Injury Case
3:00-3:20: Fit2Practice Break
3:20-4:00: Experts 101: Examining a Financial Expert

Circuit Mixer Beginning at 4 p.m. – All Attorneys Are Invited

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And thank you to the following attorneys for answering questions on SD Free Legal Answers this month!

They are:
Scott Moses, Joseph Hogue, Steve Huff*, Kyle Krause, and Brandy Rhead!

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I will maintain the confidence and preserve inviolate the secrets of my client, and will accept no compensation in connection with a client’s business except from that client or with the client’s knowledge or approval;
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Dear South Dakota Bar Member:

The University of South Dakota School of Law Veterans Legal Education Group is holding a two-day drop in clinic for veterans on the east side of the state. On March 22nd, 2018, VLEG will be at the Armory Building located in Watertown, SD (1951 N Highway 20). The time of the clinic will be from 9:00AM to 3:00PM. We hope to reach nearly 30 veterans this day.

The second day, March 23rd, 2018, will be at the DAV in Sioux Falls, SD (1519 W. 51st Street). The time of this clinic will also be from 9:00AM to 3:00PM. We hope to reach an additional 40 veterans on day two of the clinic.

We currently have ten law students planning to attend both days. We are currently in need of attorneys for both days. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions about the clinics, please reach out to me at Kaleb.Paulsen@coyotes.usd.edu or by cell phone at 605-496-5475.

We continue to appreciate all of the support from the State Bar of South Dakota Veterans Committee, Young Lawyers Section Board, and our volunteer attorneys. This project would not be possible without you.

Sincerely,
Kaleb Paulsen
President, Veterans Legal Education Group
In Memory of:

Raymond D. “Ray” Rylance

Raymond D. “Ray” Rylance, age 72, of Watertown, SD, passed away on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, SD. Funeral services will be at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12, 2018, at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer in Watertown. Rev. Kent Stillson and Pastor John Semchenko will officiate. Music will be provided by A. J. Sherrill as organist and Robbyn Givens as soloist.

Visitation will be at Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer in Watertown on Thursday January 11, 2018 from 5 to 7 p.m. and prior to services at the church on Friday.

Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Watertown. Military honors will be conducted by the Vietnam Veterans of America and the Marine Corps League - Kampska N.E. Det. #1079, Watertown. Active pallbearers will be grandsons Austin and Zach Heins and nephews Chad, Steve, Jarrett, and Dan Andersen. Honorary pallbearers will be grandchildren: Amanda Rylance-Bednar, Jennika, Kaden and Nikolas Rylance, Lincoln and Andersen Semchenko and his coffee buddies.

Ray was born on April 21, 1945, in St. Cloud, MN, to Allan and Ruby (Anderson) Rylance. The family moved to Aberdeen, SD, where he spent his youth. He graduated from Aberdeen Central High School in 1963. Ray attended USD where he was a catcher for the baseball team. He was the first USD baseball player to be inducted into the Coyote Sports Hall of Fame. He earned all-North Central Conference honors in 1966 and 1967. In 1966, he led the team with a 0.351 average and was named the team’s most valuable player. Ray graduated from the USD School of Business in 1967.

Ray served in the US Marine Corps from 1967 to 1973 rising to the rank of Captain. During that time, Ray was united in marriage to Roberta Gayle Andersen on June 30, 1968, and graduated from the USD School of Law in 1970. He was a Vietnam-era veteran. Upon completion of his time in the military the family returned to Mitchell, SD where Ray become owner and manager of Andersen Farms, Inc.

Ray and his family moved to Watertown, SD, in 1986. He began a law practice with Wiles and Rylance which he continued until the time of his death. In 1989, he was chosen as the first 100-year South Dakota All-Time All-College baseball team. He became a supporter of Watertown athletics and was an active member of the Arrow Booster Club for 30 years. He served as president of the Boys and Girls Club of Watertown in 1990. Ray served as treasurer of the Watoma Club for 20 years and was responsible for the pole vault competition during the Watoma Relays. He received an award for outstanding service and served as an honorary referee at the 2000 Watoma Relays. He spent more than 27 years as the clock operator at Watertown High School varsity football games. In 2017, Ray received a Distinguished Service Award from the South Dakota High School Coaches Association. He was active in the Elks Club and served as a trustee and treasure, receiving Elk of the Year in 1999-2000. Ray loved hunting and fishing but most of all he loved his family. He enjoyed attending the activities of his children and grandchildren over the years. Family gatherings were a source of much joy. He loved spending time at the lake, especially the 4th of July where fireworks were never in short supply. Christmas time was a favorite in the Rylance household, and one of Ray’s favorite activities over the last few years was to make popcorn balls with his family to share with friends.

Ray is survived by his wife, Roberta, of Watertown; his children: Jodi (Russ) Heins of Sioux Falls, SD, Heath (Anne) Rylance of Watertown, SD, and Dayna (John) Semchenko of Brandon, SD; his brothers: Bob (Mary) Rylance of New Prague, MN, John (Jill) Rylance of Buffalo, MN, and Rick (Rhonda) Rylance of Aberdeen, SD; his grandchildren: Austin and Zach Heins, Amanda Rylance-Bednar, Jennika, Kaden, and Nikolas Rylance, Lincoln and Andersen Semchenko; and numerous friends and loved ones.

He was preceded in death by his parents; twin grandsons, Luke and Tyler Heins; granddaughter Sydney Heins; and his sister, Kathy Brick.
The topics for the ADR CLE scheduled for the afternoon session on April 13, 2018 are as follows:

1. Family Law and Divorce Mediation

2. Arbitration Basics

3. Elder Law Mediation

Speakers are yet to be determined. More information to come!
ATTORNEYS

State’s Attorney: Hughes County
The Hughes County Commission is accepting applications for the position of State’s Attorney. Wendy Kloeppner resigned as State’s Attorney at the Commission meeting on December 18, 2017. Because this is a critical position for Hughes County, the Commissioners want to advertise the position to ensure they find the best possible candidate. They encourage interested attorneys to submit applications as soon as possible. They would like to fill this position quickly. The position will be open until filled. The State’s Attorney is an elected position which serves as the County prosecutor. The Commission will appoint someone to serve until the next general election. Whomever is appointed to this position will then have to run for re-election at the end of that appointed term.

Interested applicants can get a copy of the job announcement and application from the Hughes County Courthouse or at local Department of Labor offices. Candidates may also call Kevin Hipple at 605-773-7477 with questions. Hipple is also available via email at Kevin.Hipple@co.hughes.sd.us.

Transactional Attorney: Mankato, MN
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Applications should be submitted only by the applicant personally and should indicate the applicant’s willingness to serve if selected. The signed original hard copy of the application should be submitted to Ms. Millie B. Adams, Circuit Executive, 111 South 10th Street, Suite 26.325, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-1116, and must be received by Wednesday, February 28, 2018, not later than 4:00 PM (CDT). An electronic version of the original should be sent to CE8employment@ca8.uscourts.gov. The United States Courts are Equal Opportunity Employers.

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Hughes County is currently accepting applications for appointment to the elected position of State’s Attorney. This is an appointment to an elected position until the next general election in 2018. Should the appointee desire to continue to serve at that time, the appointee must run for re-election. The State’s Attorney is the chief legal officer and prosecutor for the county and will supervise and direct all personnel and functions of the Office of the State’s Attorney, pursuant to South Dakota law. The State’s Attorney shall prosecute violations of state law including felony, misdemeanor, juvenile delinquency and citations, and abuse and neglect cases. Duties include reviewing police reports and evidence to make determination on charges. Prepare subpoenas for witnesses and records. Interview witnesses. Select jurors. Review requests for juvenile petitions and determine appropriate course of action. Represent the Department of Social Services in abuse and neglect proceedings. Perform legal research and prepare and file legal documents and correspondence. Provide legal advice to the County Commission and other county officials. Prepare press releases. Communicate with the media. Supervise Deputy State’s Attorneys, clerical staff and work with law enforcement and others.

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Must be a graduate of an accredited law school and a licensed attorney in the State of South Dakota in good standing. Prior trial or appellate law experience is beneficial. Experience with City, County or State Government also beneficial. Must have a valid SD Driver’s License. Background check required. Must be a resident of Hughes County at the time of appointment.

Closing Date: Open until filled.
Starting Salary will be from $72,000 to $84,000 annually, depending on qualifications.
For an application packet contact your local Department of Labor or Karla Pickard at 104 E Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501. Phone 605-773-7477.
Applications and resumes should be returned to: Kevin Hipple, County Manager, 104 E. Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501.
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South Dakota State University
Students’ Association in conjunction with the SDSU Office of Student Affairs is searching for a licensed attorney in the state of South Dakota to serve as an independent contractor in the role of Legal Aid Attorney. The position shall provide appropriate legal services for the Students’ Association, as well as legal advice and assistance to students enrolled at SDSU on an individual basis, not to include representing students in court or administrative or university proceedings, but may include assistance with preparation of simple legal documents including, but not limited to, powers of attorney, wills, living wills, name change, and divorce. Independent professional judgment will be utilized in the selection or control of any legal matter or legal counseling to serve the interests of any individual client and shall be free from interference, influence, or control by any organization, officer, person, or agent of SDSU.

Five (5) hours per week on campus will be expected while classes are in session, and a total of 26 hours of service during the period following the last day of classes for the spring semester and the first day of classes for the fall semester. Compensation will be in the form of a stipend of $11,500 annually, paid in equal monthly installments.

Individuals interested should submit a letter of interest to the Vice President for Student Affairs Office, Box 2201 Morrill Hall 312, Brookings, SD 57007 for consideration. Letters of interest will be reviewed upon receipt, and the position will be open until filled.

Assistant United States Attorney: Pierre, SD
The South Dakota United States Attorney’s office is seeking an experienced attorney to fill one Assistant United States Attorney position in the Criminal Division, Pierre Office. Link to South Dakota U.S. Attorney’s Office: http://www.justice.gov/usaod/sd/.

Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be an active member of the bar (any jurisdiction) and have at least one year of post-JD legal or other relevant experience, be a U.S. Citizen or National. Applicants must demonstrate superior analytical ability; strong research, writing and courtroom skills; exercise fair and sound judgment; follow all Department of Justice and United States Attorney’s Office policies; exhibit the ability to work collaboratively in a supportive and professional manner with other attorneys, support staff, and law enforcement agencies; superior analytical and communications skills; handle matters in court persuasively and justly on behalf of the United States of America; and be devoted to excellence.

The range of basic pay is $61,218 to $160,122, which includes a locality payment of 15.37%. Relocation expenses not authorized. All initial attorney appointments to the Department of Justice are made on a 14 month (temporary) basis pending favorable adjudication of a background investigation.

To apply, you must create a USAJOBS account or log in to your existing account. Applicants must submit a resume and all required documents through USAJobs.gov. Log into USAjobs.gov and search for Announcement number 18-SD-10119853-AUSA or click the link to view: https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/489274300. You will be required to complete an online Occupational Questionnaire, as well as provide a cover letter, resume, writing sample (not to exceed 15 pages) and list of three professional references with contact information. Applications accepted on USAJobs February 2 - 16, 2018.

Attorney: Mankato, MN
Stinson Leonard Street LLP (www.stinson.com), an Am Law 200 firm with offices in 13 cities nationally, is seeking an attorney with experience in the areas of corporate law, business transactions, business succession planning, secured lending transactions and/or commercial real estate to join our Mankato, Minnesota office. The preferred candidate is self-motivated and team-orientated, with the ability to work in a fast-paced collaborative environment. While this position is based in Mankato, MN, the attorney will have the ability to partner with our greater Stinson team and serve clients throughout our offices.

Qualifications Required:
Qualified candidates will have at least three (3) years of experience in the areas of corporate law, business transactions, business succession planning, secured lending transactions and/or commercial real estate. The successful candidate is a professional who can provide exceptional customer service both to our clients and our internal team. Qualified applicants will possess excellent academic credentials and have strong writing, analytical, organizational, and communication skills. Applicant must be licensed to practice law in the State of Minnesota.

To Apply: Please send cover letter, resume, unofficial law school transcript, and writing sample by e-mail to: Anna Lloyd
Attorney Recruiting Manager
Stinson Leonard Street
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Kansas City, MO 64106
recruiting@stinson.com
TRUST OFFICER

Trust Officer: BankWest, Pierre SD
BankWest, a family-owned business with a 129-year history, is seeking new people to join its financial services team. While each position requires a unique skill set, every member of our team shares a passion for customer service and a sincere interest in seeing our customers succeed. We are recognized as a market leader in customer care, community reinvestment and depth of services.
Qualifications/Responsibilities: A Bachelors’ degree preferably in finance, accounting, law, business or other field of study that is applicable to trust and estate planning. Work experience in a related field can be substituted for the degree requirement. A certification or the ability to attain a certification in the field of trust, investing, or estate planning. The ability to oversee their own book of Trust Department clients. Must be able assist in the growth of the Trust Department. To develop and utilize knowledge and skills to effectively administer Trust relationships and promote growth of the BankWest Trust Department.
Application Information: If you’re seeking a fulfilling career with a winning team, see a full job description and apply at www.bankwest-sd.bank, contact your local Career Center, or call BankWest at (800) 253-0362. All new employees must pass pre-employment screening.
AA/EEO Employer, including protected veterans and disability.

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Paralegal (Tribal Advocate): Mission, SD
DAKOTA PLAINS LEGAL SERVICES (DPLS), a non-profit legal services program, has an opening for a paralegal (tribal advocate) position at our Mission, South Dakota, office. The Mission office serves the Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation and Gregory, Jones, Mellette, Todd and Tripp counties in South Dakota.
QUALIFICATIONS/RESPONSIBILITIES: Applicants, through formal education, training, and experience, must have knowledge and expertise regarding the legal system, substantive and procedural law, and the ethical considerations of the legal profession which qualify them to do work of a legal nature under the direct supervision of a licensed attorney; must have strong written and oral communication skills; must be able to handle a significant caseload with regular court appearances; must demonstrate an interest in poverty law and working with Native American and low income clients; must be qualified to obtain a license to practice law in the Oglala Sioux Tribal Court. The primary duties of the successful applicant will be to advise and provide legal representation to clients on matters that are within the jurisdiction of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Court.
SALARY: Competitive, depending on experience.
DPLS has excellent fringe benefits, including generous leave benefits and employee insurance coverage (medical, dental, life, disability).
CLOSING DATE: Open until filled.
APPLICATION INFORMATION: Please submit a letter of interest and resume to: John J. Buchy, Executive Director, Dakota Plains Legal Services, PO Box 727, Mission, SD 57555, (605) 856-4444, dpls1@gwtc.net. Native Americans, Women and Minorities are encouraged to apply. Dakota Plains Legal Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Paralegal (Tribal Advocate): Pine Ridge, SD
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Notice of Judicial Vacancy

TO: All Active Members of the State Bar of South Dakota

FROM: Bruce V. Anderson, Secretary, Judicial Qualifications Commission

The retirement of the Hon. Lawrence E. Long in September 2018 will create a vacancy for a Circuit Court Judge position (Position J) in the Second Judicial Circuit. The Judicial Qualifications Commission is now taking applications for this position.

All lawyers and judges interested in applying should obtain the application form at http://ujs.sd.gov/, or contact Lori Grode at the State Court Administrator’s Office. The application must be returned to the Administrator’s Office and must be postmarked no later than 5:00 PM on March 16, 2018. Applicants should make sure the application submitted is the 2018 revision.

You may also obtain the application form by writing or telephoning:

Lori Grode
State Court Administrator’s Office
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501
Telephone: 605-773-2099
Email: lori.grode@ujs.state.sd.us

Or, visit http://ujs.sd.gov/ for current job openings.

The Second Circuit is comprised of the following counties: Minnehaha and Lincoln.
February 2018

Disciplinary Board..................................................April 5-6.................................ClubHouse, Sioux Falls
ABA Day...............................................................April 9-12.................................Washington D.C
Bar Commission Meeting.........................April 12..................................................ClubHouse, Sioux Falls
Juvenile Law CLE........................................April 13 am......................................Ramkota, Sioux Falls
Alternative Dispute Resolution........April 13 pm.........................................................Ramkota, Sioux Falls
2018 Jackrabbit Bar Conference..........May 31 - June 2, 2017.............................Medora, ND
Young Lawyer Boot Camp......................March 2..................................................Lumber Exchange Bldg., Sioux Falls
Veterans Walk-In Legal Clinic........March 22.......................................................Watertown
Veterans Walk-In Legal Clinic........March 23.......................................................Sioux Falls
Strategic Planning Retreat................April 13.........................................................Sioux Falls
2018 Annual Meeting............................June 20-22............................................Ramkota, Sioux Falls