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## Letter from the President

*by Jackie Armstrong, President*

Have you ever seen one of those videos of folks at a concert or large public event that are so filled with joy and goofy excitement that they throw themselves from a stage into a crowd and miraculously survive with the helping hands of cheerful strong and kind volunteers? That's a picture of how I feel, a bit sheepish that I've agreed to throw myself into this position as President (without a lot of serious experience and no expertise) and yet curiously pleased with a sense of how much fun its going to be and how many women in our organization have reached up to keep me afloat. Thanks to all of you who helped me past my confusion regarding the elections and procedure, and to all of you that have assumed new responsibilities this year to support this organization.

I would like to carry that theme of fun throughout this short year that I will preside as President. When I first joined, I (cerebrally) sold myself on the idea because it would be a great referral base, an excellent way to build my practice, etc. Actually, I have plenty of work, and I don't continue to belong because I want more. I like our organization because the members have a diverse and brilliant spirit that energizes me. When I spoke with Heather at the Bar Meeting in June and learned about her pro-bono work, when I talked with Elizabeth at the Women Judge's Conference and learned about her French education, when I learned that Ruth dances in the streets, that Deb jams in a band and that Anjela jets to Africa, I am just dazzled. I want to get to know all the members better because I think our members are remarkable women. Probably these relationships will make me a better lawyer indirectly because they broaden my base throughout the state—but mostly I'm in it for the fun.

At our first Board Meeting on July 15, 2004, we talked about planning the year's broad agenda. In keeping with the theme of fun, we discussed the idea of a working women's party, sponsored by I.O.W.A members. Brandy and Heather have been involved in local versions of this concept and our new District 2 Rep, Kim Snitker, has suggested that we coordinate such an event so that it's on the same day throughout the state.

I am looking forward to this year immensely.

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# Annual Report

*by Anjie Shutts, Past President*

It has been a great honor to serve as the president of the Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys this past year. IOWA celebrates twenty years in existence in 2004 - a great accomplishment for any organization.

This year, the IOWA board focused on giving the organization a more “polished feel.” We applied for and were granted non-profit organization status with the Internal Revenue Service. With the help of a public relations professional from Cedar Rapids, IOWA revised its brochure to make the informational brochure more professional. We worked on increasing the publicity for IOWA, in an effort to make the organization more visible. The Board spent a great deal of time focusing on ways to increase its membership and providing greater membership services, especially reaching out to those women outside the Des Moines area.

In April, we co-sponsored the regional meeting of the National Association of Women Judges. After a delightful reception with women judges and lawyers from across the state and the Midwest, a joint seminar was held on Friday. It was a great opportunity to get to know other women lawyers and judges.

It is still my passion and goal to increase the role and visibility of women within the Iowa State Bar Association. For the third year we held our annual meeting in connection with the Iowa State Bar Association’s annual meeting and presented the Arabella Mansfield Award. We presented the Gertrude Rush award at the ISBA’s President’s Dinner, which gave IOWA even greater visibility with the ISBA. We also provided a portion of the program at the CLE seminar. We have made strides, but have some work to do. I hope that in the near future, we can sit down with the leaders of the ISBA and have a discussion on the role of women in the ISBA.

I would be remiss if I did not specially thank the IOWA board for its hard work and commitment to the organization. The membership should know that the IOWA board is a tremendous group of women, with whom I have been lucky to work with and call my friends. The future of the organization is in great hands because of these women.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as the President of IOWA.

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## Board Meeting Schedule

All IOWA members are welcome to participate in the monthly Board Meetings. The meetings are either by teleconference or in person, with the ability to call in. The schedule for 2004-2005 is as follows:

- Sat. Aug. 21, noon, Des Moines
- Thurs. Sep. 16, noon, conference call
- Thurs. Oct. 21, or Sat. Oct. 23, noon, Ames
- Thurs. Nov. 18, noon, conference call
- Thurs. Dec. 16, noon, conference call
- Thurs. Jan. 20, noon, conference call
- Thurs. Feb. 17, noon, conference call
- Thurs. Mar. 17, noon, conference call
- Sat. April 23, noon, Cedar Rapids
- Thurs. May 19, or Sat. May 21, noon, Mason City area

For more information about the exact locations of these meetings, contact Jackie at [jarmstrong@iowabar.org](mailto:jarmstrong@iowabar.org).

# Annual Meeting

by Heather Palmer, *President Elect*

The Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys held its Annual Meeting and Banquet on June 17, 2004 at the Marriott Hotel in Des Moines. Nick Critelli, President of the Iowa State Bar Association presented brief remarks, and Marion Beatty and his wife joined the attendees during dinner and for the program. Anjie Shutts, in her last role as President, called the meeting to order following dinner. Miki McGovern presented Emily Gould Chafa with the Third Annual Arabella Mansfield Award, recognizing Emily's commitment to the Iowa Organization of

Women Attorneys and her commitment to mentoring young women in the legal profession. Deb Tharnish provided the keynote speech, which focused on how to balance the professional and personal aspects of our lives as women in the legal profession. 2004 marks the twentieth anniversary of the Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys. The Past-Presidents and Founders of the Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys were invited to and recognized at the Annual Meeting. Many of the Founders and Past-Presidents were in attendance.

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Ione Shaddock  
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Jaki Samuelson

## Miscellaneous

### WellFem-in-Law

Looking for suggestions on well-being? Recipes for tonight's dinner? Visit our website at <http://www.iowawomenattorneys.org> to read Bev Clark's WellFem-in-Law monthly columns (on the News page).

### Newsletter Submissions

Do you have an idea for the I.O.W.A. newsletter? Do you have a job to advertise, news about an I.O.W.A. member, or an upcoming event to announce? Contact Liz Croco at [ecroco@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:ecroco@simmonsperrine.com)

## Award Recipients

by Ruth Cooperrider, Professional Action Chair



*Emily Chafa receives the 2004 Arabella Mansfield Award from Anjie Shutts, president of I.O.W.A.*

Emily Gould Chafa, I.O.W.A. Board member and Public Relations Chair, received the Third Annual Arabella Mansfield award at the Annual Meeting held on June 17, 2004 at the Des Moines Downtown Marriott Hotel. I.O.W.A. established this award in 2002 to recognize outstanding women lawyers in Iowa who have promoted and nurtured women in the legal profession. It was named after Arabella Mansfield, who was admitted to the Iowa Bar in 1860 and held the distinction of being the first woman lawyer admitted to the practice of law in the United States.

Emily has been a past President of both the I.O.W.A. and the Polk County Women Attorneys. She is also

active in the state and local county bar associations. She led efforts to create the I.O.W.A. website and listserv. In addition, she has over many years managed the “boutique,” which has been a great success in marketing I.O.W.A. products and raising funds for special projects.

A second award, the Gertrude Rush award, was presented jointly by I.O.W.A. and the Iowa National Bar Association (INBA) to Diann Wilder-Tomlinson during the Iowa State Bar Association’s Awards Dinner on June 16, 2004. Present at the dinner was the President of the National Bar Association, Clyde Bailey.

I.O.W.A. and the INBA together established the Gertrude Rush Award in 2003 to recognize a lawyer who manifests the pioneering spirit of Gertrude Rush, demonstrates leadership in the community and in the legal profession and demonstrates concern for human and civil rights. Gertrude Rush was the first African-American woman to be admitted to the practice of law in Iowa, in 1918. She became one of the founders of the National Bar Association after she and four other black lawyers were denied membership in the American Bar Association.

Ms. Tomlinson, who is the warden at the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women, was recognized for a number of accomplishments, including being the first female African-American prison superintendent and the first female African-American county attorney in Iowa, and having served as director of the Iowa Civil Rights Commission.

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## NACAUA Conference

by Josephine Bathke,  
University of Iowa Office of General Counsel

The National Association of College and University Attorneys was founded in 1960-61 by a small group of attorneys who regularly provided legal services to colleges and universities. Nearly 1400 campuses (about 660 institutions), represented by 3000 attorneys, comprise the membership today. The Association’s purpose is to enhance legal assistance to colleges and universities by educating attorneys and administrators to the nature of campus legal issues.

NACUA recently held its 44th Annual Conference in Vancouver, Canada. The conference began with an

opening session marking the 50 Year Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education. Once in full swing the conference offered discussion groups and forums on subjects ranging from Civil Rights to Campus Development; Athletics to Negotiation and Conflict Resolution; International Research to Software and Hardware Contracting. A new addition to the conference this year was a pre-conference for lawyers new to higher education. The 1 ½ day pre-conference introduced the new lawyers (or lawyers new to higher education) to a broad range of topics. The pre-conference and the conference were wonderful opportunities to meet and discuss current issues facing colleges and universities with higher education professionals and the 800+ NACUA members in attendance.

## Meet Our New President

Jackie Armstrong was born in Orlando Florida and spent the next 18 years with her Air Force Family in Weisbaden, Germany; Ludlow, Illinois; and Detroit. She attended Wayne State University in downtown Detroit for a year, L' Institut de Science Politique in Aix-en-Provence, France for a year, and a final year at the University of Michigan.

After undergraduate studies, she headed to Denver for a year's break to ski and save money for law school. Jackie graduated from University of Michigan's law school in 1978. She practiced law and skied in Colorado for several years, then joined Schlumberger Limited for several years in the legal departments of subsidiaries in Ann Arbor, MI, Burlington, MA, and Atlanta, GA.



*I.O.W.A. President Jackie Armstrong and family*

Gary Levinson won her heart in 1983 and the babies started coming in 1985, when her daughter Elana was born, followed by Jacob and Ben. Jackie stepped out of her professional life for 11 years to care for children and her mother-in-law in the mountains of western Massachusetts.

She returned to practice in 1996 with Brown, Kinsey, Funkhouser & Lander in Mason City. She focuses her practice on workers' compensation, social security and employment law. The best book that she has read this month is *The Piano Tuner* by Mason. Jackie canoes, bikes and cooks when she's out of the office.

## Job Openings

### Assistant Webster County Attorney

The Office of the Webster County Attorney is accepting applications for a full-time Assistant County Attorney. Requirements include graduation from an accredited law school and license to practice law in Iowa. Salary \$35,000-\$50,000 depending on experience.

*Send resume to:* Pamela Passow, Webster County Attorney's Office, 702 1st Ave. S., Fort Dodge, Iowa, 50501. Phone: 515-573-1452; Fax: 515-573-1468. Position will remain open until filled.

### Adjunct Faculty Position

Des Moines Area Community College Urban Campus  
DMACC Business Law 101, CRN 11860

MWF 8:00 am to 8:55 am from August 30, 2004, to December 15, 2004.

Mid-term is October 22. Final Exam is Wednesday, December 15, 8:00 am to 10:15 am.

Non-working days are: September 6 - Labor Day; November 25 & 26 - Thanksgiving.

The class pays \$1,950 for the term. Requirements: JD or MBA

*Please contact:* Cynthia McCall, DMACC Accounting District Chair, Urban Campus, 1100 7th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314. 515-248-7247

## Member Information

### Membership Directory

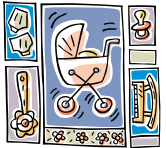
IOWA is proud to announce the recent publication of its membership directory. The directory is available free of charge to any member. If you would like a directory, please contact our Membership Chair Christine Conover at [cconover@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:cconover@simmonsperrine.com) or (319) 366-7641. Many thanks to former Membership Chairs Brandy Dulceak and Lisa Shileny for all their hard work in compiling the directory.

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### New IOWA Brochures

Many thanks to Sharon Hutchcroft who designed at no charge the new IOWA brochures. If you would like a brochure, please contact Membership Chair Christine Conover at [cconover@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:cconover@simmonsperrine.com) or (319) 366-7641.

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Board Member **Sarah Kuehl Kleber** gave birth to her first child, Samuel John, on March 5th, 2004. He weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and was 21.5 inches long. Congratulations to Sarah and her husband.

Sarah and her husband.

**Deborah Svec-Carstens** is no longer with the Baudino law firm in Des Moines. Her new e-mail address is: [svec-carstens@iowabar.org](mailto:svec-carstens@iowabar.org).

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If you have moved, changed jobs, or have a personal or professional accomplishment you'd like to share with our members, please submit the information to [ecroco@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:ecroco@simmonsperrine.com) for inclusion in the next newsletter.

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### Renew your Membership!

Annual membership dues are payable on a fiscal year basis (July 1 to June 30). If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so immediately. Please note that dues have increased slightly this year to cover the cost of the directory and new brochure. Dues are \$35 for members, \$15 for 1st year members, and \$5.00 for law students.

Check with Christine Conover, Membership Chair, to see if your membership is current. You can reach Christine at (319) 366-7641 or [cconover@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:cconover@simmonsperrine.com). To become a member or renew your membership, please complete the membership form on page 11.

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## Upcoming Events

### August 13-27, 2004

### ISBA AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR

Do you love the Iowa State Fair? Are you interested in free fair tickets? The ISBA and the YLD are sponsoring two important events at this year's Iowa State Fair (August 13-August 27) : Trial by Jury and the ISBA Law Booth.

First, the annual State Fair Trial by Jury will be held each evening of the fair, with local attorneys trying short mock trial cases (two brief witnesses for each side) before a judge and an audience of fairgoers. The civil trial is a slip and fall case, the criminal trial is a manufacture of methamphetamine charge. The materials are prepared for you in advance-- your spouse, friends and children can play your witnesses and receive free fair tickets also! Trial by Jury is NOT just for trial lawyers! Consider signing up with a fellow attorney to try a case together. Contact Alison Werner Smith at [awsmith@hhbmlaw.com](mailto:awsmith@hhbmlaw.com) or 319-337-9606 to sign up for a trial!

Second, the ISBA will, for the first time this year, sponsor a booth area in the air-conditioned Varied Industries Building. We need attorneys to volunteer to staff the booth from 9 am to 9 pm each day of the fair to help distribute information and meet the public. Volunteers are asked to sign up for 4-hour shifts. You will receive two free tickets to the Fair and a T-shirt for your efforts. On Older Iowans Day, Wednesday, August 18, we are seeking attorneys comfortable with preparing advanced care directives to volunteer for a special seminar that will assist older Iowans in preparing these documents. This is a new project, and your support is greatly needed to make this event a success. To sign up for your choice of shifts at the ISBA booth, please contact Alison Werner Smith at [awsmith@hhbmlaw.com](mailto:awsmith@hhbmlaw.com) or 319-337-9606.

## Upcoming Events

### August 13 & 14, 2004

#### YLD SUMMER SEMINAR AT OKOBOJI

The Annual YLD Summer Seminar will take place August 13 & 14 at the Inn @ Okoboji. The Agenda is as follows:

*Thursday, August 12, 2004*

2:00-4:30 IOWADOCS Class (complimentary)

If you are thinking about buying IOWADOCS or wanting to review the enhancements of Version 6.1 this is your opportunity to see it in use. Outlines are included. Extensive question and answer period.

*Friday, August 13, 2004*

7:30 Registration Opens

8:00-9:00 Case Law Update Paul Ahlers

9:00-10:00 (E) Dealing with the Unethical Lawyer Hon. Nancy Tabor

10:00-10:15 Break

10:15-11:15 OWI Defense Kent Simmons

11:15-12:00 Indian Child Welfare Act Elizabeth Rosenbaum

12:00-12:30 Luncheon

12:30-1:30 Public Records (New York Crime Family), Mary Walsh, Westlaw

1:30 Adjourn for afternoon activities (golf, boating, etc.)

6:30 p.m. Reception with Food & Beverage at The Inn

*Saturday, August 14, 2004*

7:30 Continental Breakfast-Conference Center

8:00-8:45 Legislative Update Troy Skinner

8:45-9:45 Cross-Examining Expert Witnesses John B. Grier

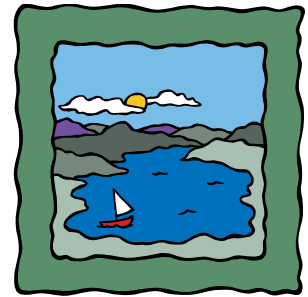
9:45-10:15 Statutes Plus, Mary Walsh

10:15 Break

10:30-11:00 Trademarks and Intellectual Property Chris Curran

11:00-12:00 Appellate Practice Hon. Larry Eisenhauer

For more information or to register, visit [www.iowabar.org](http://www.iowabar.org) and use the CLE Calendar Link.



### August 21, 2004

#### IOWA WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME AWARDS AND LUNCHEON



The Friends of the Iowa Commission on the Status of Women invite you to attend the presentation of the annual Iowa Women's Hall of Fame Awards, Saturday, August 21st, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at the State Historical Building, 600 East Locust Street, Des Moines. Free and open to the public. Reception to follow the ceremony.

Recognition of the inductees (Joy Cole Corning, Mary Ann Evans, Ruth Cole Nash, & Lt. Governor Sally J. Pederson) and the recipient of the Cristine Wilson Medal for Equality and Justice (Marie C. Wilson) will be at a luncheon, 12:30 p.m.: Younkers Tea Room, 7th and Walnut Street, Des Moines. Featuring Maureen J. Korte, Kindred Spirits, a Showcase of Iowa Women. **Reply by August 11** to Friends of ICSW Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines IA 50319. \$30 per person.

## Upcoming Events

### Fall 2004

#### ISBA CIVICS COMMITTEE

The ISBA has created a new committee, the Civics Committee. In addition to other goals, the committee would like to begin the planning process for the creation and maintenance of an IOWA SUPREME COURT HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Other states have similar projects, which seek to preserve legal history, maintain legal archives, and obtain interviews with retired justices and members of the bar. This project is being undertaken with the joint cooperation of other committees, including the ISBA Legal Heritage Committee. If you are interested in participating in the planning of this project, please contact committee chair Alison Werner Smith at [awsmith@hhbmlaw.com](mailto:awsmith@hhbmlaw.com) or 319-337-9606. Our planning process will begin in earnest in the fall.

### September 16 to September 18, 2004

#### DES MOINES TO HOST ABA/YLD MIDWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The ABA/YLD Midwest Regional Conference will be held at the Downtown Marriott from 9-16-04 to 9-18-04. Registration is \$100.00. You can register on line at [www.iowabar.org](http://www.iowabar.org). If you have any questions, contact Joseph Moreland, YLD President at (319) 337-9606 or [moreland@hhbmlaw.com](mailto:moreland@hhbmlaw.com) or Kelley Rue, CLE Director, ISBA at (515) 243-3179 or [krue@iowabar.org](mailto:krue@iowabar.org). [See related article on page 9.]

#### *Schedule of Events:*

*Thursday, September 16, 2004*

7:00 p.m. Welcome to Des Moines! The Young Lawyers Division of The Iowa State Bar Association welcomes you to Des Moines. Come experience Des Moines' famous Court Avenue District at Papa's Planet. Good Fun! Great Food! Thirst-quenching Drinks! Fabulous Dancing!

*Friday, September 17, 2004*

8:30-9 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9 a.m.—5 p.m. CLE Program: Join us for a terrific line-up of CLE presentations from many nationally recognized speakers including Time Co-Person of the year, FBI whistleblower Coleen Rowley. Program topics include:

- Advocacy & the Art of Storytelling, John Mooy
- Marketing for the Young Lawyer, Nick Critelli
- Arguing Before the U.S. Supreme Court
- Devil's Knot & Evidence Issues, Mara Leveritt & Emily Hughes
- Ethics Jeopardy, Iowa Supreme Court Justice Michael Streit

12:30 p.m. Luncheon Presentation: National Security v. Individual Rights Coleen Rowley, 2002 *Time Magazine's* Co-Person of the Year!

7:00 p.m. Reception/Dinner/Live Band

Entertainment will be provided by Flip Side, Des Moines' premier 70's & 80's dance band!

*Saturday, September 18, 2004*

8:30-9 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9 a.m.—Noon Affiliate Presentations

- We the Jury Project, Iowa YLD
- Affiliate Assistance Subject, National Public Service Team Member
- Planning for YLD Success, Alan Olson, Former ABA YLD President

12:00 Noon Adjourn



## Upcoming Events

# FBI “Whistleblower,” Native Iowan Coleen Rowley, A Midwest Conference Highlight Here in September

*IOWANS HOST 2004 ABA/YLD MIDWEST REGIONAL IN DES MOINES*

*by David Bright, YLD Publicity Committee Chair*

*Time* picked her as one of its Persons of the Year in 2002 because she blew the whistle on an apparently inattentive FBI, her employer for a number of years. Special Agent Coleen Rowley is one of the headliners for the Midwest Regional ABA/YLD Conference hosted by the ISBA’s Young Lawyer’s Division September 16-18 at the Marriott Hotel downtown. The Midwest Regional features informative programs presented by dynamic, nationally-known speakers, the chance to meet other regional YLD members, and to relax and enjoy some Des Moines nightlife. Following on the heels of the ISBA Annual Meeting, the Midwest Regional promises to be a full-featured event you cannot afford to miss.

The conference kicks off at 7 p.m. Thursday, September 16, with attitude adjustment at Papa’s Planet in Des Moines’ Court Avenue District. Home to a number of brew pubs, bars and restaurants, the district is part of the revitalization of downtown Des Moines. Papa’s Planet is right in the center of it all! In anticipation of the large turnout we anticipate for the Midwest Regional, Papa’s Planet has been reserved exclusively for conference attendees and their guests. Put your dancing shoes on and get ready to give your mind a rest.

On Friday morning, September 17, a continental breakfast is offered from 8:30- 9 a.m. CLE Programs run from 9 a.m. to noon. Included are “Advocacy & the Art of Storytelling” with headliner John Mooy and “Marketing for the Young Lawyer” with ISBA President Nick Critelli. Over lunch on Friday, FBI Agent Coleen Rowley will discuss “National Security v. Individual Rights.” With the events of recent years across the globe, what she has to say should be interesting and

possibly controversial, so be sure not to make other plans for lunch! Friday afternoon continues with additional CLE programs, including “Devil’s Knot & Evidence Issues” with Mara Leveritt and Emily Hughes, and “Ethics Jeopardy” with Iowa Supreme Court Justice Michael Streit. The day winds down with a reception and dinner with entertainment provided by Flip Side, Des Moines’ premier 70’s and 80’s dance band. The annual Leisure Suits and Leg Warmers Ball will not be held this year, so this will be your annual chance to kick up your heels and relive your youth!

On the morning of Saturday, September 18th, another continental breakfast will be held from 8:30-9 a.m. before the Affiliate Programs begin. These programs run from 9 a.m. until noon, and will include presentations on the “We the Jury Project,” “Affiliate Assistance Subject,” and “Planning for YLD Success.” This last program will be presented by Alan Olson, Former ABA/YLD President. The Midwest Regional wraps up at noon on Saturday, September 18, but save time to see what else Des Moines has to offer. There are many places to visit, including the Des Moines Art Center ([www.desmoinesartcenter.org](http://www.desmoinesartcenter.org)), Blank Park Zoo ([www.blankparkzoo.com](http://www.blankparkzoo.com)), and Des Moines Botanical Center ([www.desmoinesbotanicalcenter.com](http://www.desmoinesbotanicalcenter.com)). For more information on what to do and see in Des Moines, see [www.desmoines.com/cities/desmoines.asp](http://www.desmoines.com/cities/desmoines.asp).

The YLD and ISBA encourage all YLD members to attend. If you have any questions about the event or the YLD, please feel free to contact YLD President Joe Moreland at [moreland@hhbmlaw.com](mailto:moreland@hhbmlaw.com)

We look forward to seeing all of you.

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## In the Spotlight: Anjela Shutts



Anjela Shutts completed her undergraduate training at Luther College in 1993. Following graduation, she attended law school at Drake University, earning her Juris Doctorate in 1996. In June of 1996, Anjie was admitted to the Iowa Bar and associated with the law firm of Whitfield & Eddy, P.L.C., where she practices in the area of family law, working as a practitioner and mediator. Anjie is a graduate of the Des Moines Leadership Institute. In 2002 she was awarded the “40 Under 40” Award. Anjie is devoted to civic and bar-related activities, serving as a Board Member and President of the Board for Mentor Iowa from 1997 through 2003, Board Member and President of the Polk County Volunteer Lawyers Project Board from 1999 through the present, Chair of the Minority Affairs Committee for the Iowa State Bar Association from 2001 through 2003, Chair of the Dissolution Subcommittee for the Family Law Section of the Iowa State Bar Association from 2000 through 2003, Iowa State Bar Association Annual Meeting Committee Member from 2001 through 2003, Polk



County Bar Association Ethics Committee Member from 2001 through the present, Board Member and President of the Polk County Women Attorneys from 1996 through 2001, President of the Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys from 2003 through 2004, Iowa State Bar Association’s Steering Committee on Domestic Violence Symposium from 2000 through 2001, Member of the Iowa State Bar Association Strategic Planning Committee from 2002 through 2003, Member of the Luther College Strategic Planning Committee from 1999 through present, and Member of the Drake University Law School Board of Counselors from 1999 through present. Throughout her career Anjie has been devoted to public service, and she continues to serve as a volunteer for the Polk County Volunteer Lawyers Project, partner for two children in Mentor Iowa, and a volunteer for the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence. In her spare time Anjie enjoys spending time her husband, Peter, and their nine-month old daughter, Mary.