

Behesha Doan has more than 29 years as a Certified Dog Trainer & Certified Service Dog Trainer through the International Association of Canine Professionals (IACP). She currently operates two professional dog trainer schools: the Canine Behavioral Psychology Academy and the Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Service Dog Trainers Academy, from her training facility located in Carbondale, IL. She has conducted dog behavior seminars throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

Ms. Doan pioneered methods to train service dogs to assist individuals with post-traumatic stress. She was a contributing author for the “PTSD Service Dog Best Practices Paper” for Assistance Dogs International, and speaks extensively about her work with veterans and service dogs and the unique Trauma Resiliency Program developed at This Able Veteran. In 2011 she was an invited speaker to Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government on the topic.

Ms. Doan is also a certified life coach specializing in trauma resiliency. She serves as a subject matter expert in trauma resilience with the Illinois Fire Service Institute (IFSI), and as a trainer for the Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellowship, a project of Southern Illinois University’s School of Medicine.

Ms. Doan is a formerly approved instructor for the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board for Law Enforcement Narcotic Detection, K-9 Certification, Remote Collar Training for K-9 Reliability; and Police K-9 Unit Tactical Operations.

Marilyn Forbes is a senior lecturing fellow at Duke University School of Law. She teaches classes in Negotiation, Pretrial Litigation, Ethics for Civil Litigators, and Animal Law. She is an experienced mass tort and products liability lawyer. She entered private practice with Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC after first clerking for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. She has been named to *Best Lawyers in America*,[®] annually from 2008-2018. In both 2015 and 2017, she was named “*Lawyer of the Year*,” Product Liability Litigation, Defendants – Raleigh NC. Before joining the Duke faculty, she spent her career handling cases throughout the United States, including California, Louisiana, Mississippi, West Virginia, New York and Florida. Forbes received her JD from Wake Forest University School of Law and her BA with high honors from The Pennsylvania State University.

Forbes has served the Bar as a NITA Faculty Member, UNC Chapel Hill Trial Skills Program. She has been active in the American Bar Association, and has previously served as co-chair of the Corporate Counsel Subcommittee of the ABA Litigation Section’s Woman Advocate Committee and as a vice chair of the ABA TIPS Animal Law Section. Forbes has been active in community service and has served on numerous nonprofit boards. Forbes has also served on the Board of Visitors for the Wake Forest University School of Law, the Board of Directors for the Animal Legal Defense Fund, and the Advisory Board for the Wake County SPCA. She lives in North Carolina with her spouse Tim Phillips and their two golden retrievers, Ranger and Charlie.

Camilla H. Fox is the founder and executive director of [Project Coyote](http://www.projectcoyote.org) - a national non-profit organization based in Northern California that promotes coexistence between people and wildlife and compassionate conservation through education, science, and advocacy. With more than 20 years of experience working on behalf of wildlife and wildlands and a Master's degree in wildlife ecology, policy, and conservation, Camilla's work has been featured in several films, books and national media outlets. A frequent speaker on these issues, Camilla has authored more than 70 publications and is co-author of two books— *Coyotes in Our Midst* and *Cull of the Wild* and is co-producer of the award-winning documentary *Cull of the Wild ~ The Truth Behind Trapping*. She produced and directed the award-winning documentary film *KILLING GAMES ~ Wildlife in the Crosshairs*. Camilla has served as an appointed member on the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee and currently serves on several national non-profit advisory boards. In 2006, Camilla received the Humanitarian of the Year Award from the Marin Humane Society and the Christine Stevens Wildlife Award from the Animal Welfare Institute. She was named one of the 100 Guardian Angels of the Planet in 2013 and the 2014 Conservationist of the Year Award by the John Muir Association. In 2016 she was honored with the Grassroots Activist of the Year Award by the Fund for Wild Nature. Learn more about Project Coyote here: <http://www.projectcoyote.org>

Prof. Rebecca J. Huss began teaching at Valparaiso University Law School in 1999 and is the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, a Professor of Law and the Phyllis and Richard Duesenberg Chair in Law. In addition to Animal Law, Professor Huss has taught Business Associations, Mergers & Acquisitions, Professional Responsibility, Non Profit Organizations, and other business law courses during her academic career. Prior to beginning her academic career, Professor Huss practiced in law firms focusing on corporate issues as well as in-house in the animal health division of a pharmaceutical company. Professor Huss is currently licensed to practice law in Iowa and Missouri. A link to her publications and other biographical information can be found at her faculty webpage available through valpo.edu/law.

She is a past Chair of the American Bar Association's Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section's Animal Law Committee and was the 2011 recipient of that committee's Excellence in the Advancement of Animal Law Award. In 2007, Professor Huss was appointed by the District Court of the Eastern District of Virginia as the guardian/special master of the dogs seized during the Bad Newz Kennels case.

Professor Huss has a Master of Laws in International and Comparative Law from the University of Iowa College of Law (1995) and graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Richmond School of Law (1992).

Chelsea E. Kasten is a licensed, practicing attorney in both the State of Illinois (2016) and Missouri (2015). A graduate of Southern Illinois University School of Law (2015), Ms. Kasten received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in History with a Minor in Legal Studies from Western Kentucky University (2011). During her undergraduate career, she published an Honors Thesis on the history of the Clean Air Act. Throughout law school, Ms. Kasten served, among other activities, as the 1L, 2L, and 3L Environmental Law Society Representative and Student Animal Legal Defense Fund President from 2013-2015. Ms. Kasten is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association and serves on the ISBA Animal Law Section Council.

Jane E. McBride is founder and president of Illinois Humane. Illinois Humane's primary mission is cruelty and neglect investigations, recovery of the animals who are the subject of these cases, and advocacy. Ms. McBride herself has served as an approved humane investigator since 1999. She has been directly involved in the prosecution of a variety of neglect and cruelty matters. Ms. McBride has been active in numerous state animal welfare legislative efforts, as well as work with local governmental units crafting local ordinances and spearheading private/public animal welfare initiatives.

Ms. McBride is currently chair of the American Bar Association's Animal Law Committee. She is a member of the ISBA Animal Law Section Council – serving as CLE chair for the past 8 years. Ms. McBride's career practice area is environmental law. She is licensed in Illinois and Wisconsin. She has a Bachelor's of Science in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology and a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Journalism from Iowa State University. She earned her J.D. with a Certificate in Environmental and Energy Law from Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Dr. Diana Uchiyama joined the Illinois Lawyers' Assistance Program (LAP) in 2018. Prior to joining LAP, she was the Administrator of Psychological Services for DuPage County where she oversaw a DASA licensed substance use treatment program, including a Mentally Ill Substance Abuse (MISA program) and Seeking Safety program, and DHS Domestic Batterer Intervention Program for a court mandated population of clients. Dr. Uchiyama has also worked for the Kane County Diagnostic Center, as both a Staff Psychologist and Juvenile Drug Court Coordinator, and has an extensive background doing court ordered evaluations including psychological, sanity, fitness, fitness to parent, and sex offender evaluations. She is a licensed sex offender evaluator in the State of Illinois. Dr. Uchiyama also conducts therapy with adults and adolescents. She has implemented numerous changes to court ordered programs both in Kane and DuPage County and is a SAMSHA certified trauma informed care trainer. Prior to obtaining her masters and doctorate in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Uchiyama was an Assistant Public Defender in Cook County working in various felony courtrooms at 26th and California. She obtained her law degree from Pepperdine University School of Law.

Bruce A. Wagman has been using his legal education and well-honed skills to help animals in all sectors of society and benefit both society and the animals themselves for almost three decades. He is the only lawyer running an exclusive animal law practice in a major United States firm. He litigates, drafts animal-friendly legislation, oversees rescue operations, and consults clients who care for and protect animals. He has published two major works, the leading casebook for law schools nationwide -- *Animal Law: Cases and Materials* -- and a global survey of animal laws, *A Worldview of Animal Law*, the only global survey of animal law. Bruce also founded Project Chimps, a chimpanzee sanctuary that is home to chimpanzees retired from a research laboratory.

Bruce's forte is the kind of creative lawyering it takes to fit animal interests into the legal world, and his clients regularly applaud his ability to model solutions and take on the toughest problems. His practice covers a broad range of animal-related legal issues -- including cases involving the use of animals in entertainment, biomedical research, animal agriculture/food production, animal cruelty, and wildlife control. He has a long history of wide-ranging "impact litigation," but he also loves to work with individuals on cases involving dog bites, animal custody disputes, and injuries to, and caused by, animals. Bruce brings an undeniable passion for each of his cases, a dedication to both his human clients and the animals involved, and he has a proven ability to turn that passion into winning arguments both in and out of the courtroom. He takes an "eyes on the prize" approach to all of his matters.

Bruce's clients include numerous animal protection organizations as well as private individuals. He has worked on behalf of many species, including birds, cats, chickens, chimpanzees, cows, deer, dogs, dolphins, ducks, elephants, elk, gorillas, horses (domestic and wild), lions, mice, monkeys, pigs, sharks, turkeys, whales, and wolves.

Molly Wiltshire earned her B.A. at Columbia University in New York and her J.D. at The University of Chicago Law School. Prior to law school, she was an international contracts paralegal with The Nature Conservancy. Today, Ms. Wiltshire a Partner at Schiff Hardin in Chicago where she represents companies and individuals in diverse legal areas, including government regulatory and grand jury investigations, complex civil and commercial disputes, and environmental and animal litigation. In addition to litigating, she has presented to corporate counsel and bar association groups on the attorney-client privilege and ethical rules regarding confidentiality, especially as they relate to the in-house counsel role, and diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

Ms. Wiltshire is a member of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Pathfinder; Social Impact Incubator, Institute for Inclusion in the Legal Profession; Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) Animal Law Section Council; and the American Bar Association (ABA) TIPS Animal Law Committee where she also serves as Newsletter Editor.

The National Immigrant Justice Center selected Chicago associate Molly L. Wiltshire as a 2016 Rising Star.