



## Bench & Bar

### The Mission of the [ISBA Bench & Bar Section](#):

To forge a spirit of cooperation, collegiality and exchange among state and federal judges and the practicing bar, and to enhance the court system, the administration of justice for the public, and the relationship between judges and lawyers.

### General:

- ◆ Section fees are \$25 per year.
- ◆ To join, go to [www.isba.org/sections](http://www.isba.org/sections)

### Continuing Legal Education

The Section co-sponsored one program during the year:

- ◆ **Helping Immigrant Children: Special Immigrant Juveniles** (Jan. 25, 2017)

Section members also receive discounts on section-sponsored CLE programs.

### Legislation

The Section Council reviews proposed legislation that may affect their members' practice area. Highlights of the most recent legislative session include:

1. Number of bills reviewed: 48
2. Significant legislation:
  - a. HB 678 - Juv Ct-Hearing Within 24 Hr
  - b. HB 2591 - Criminal & Traffic Assessment-Tech
  - c. SB 889 - Juries-Unlawful Discrimination

### Other

- ◆ [The Bench & Bar Law Discussion List](#) allows section members to pose questions and share information with fellow section members from around the state.

### Newsletters

Delivered electronically unless otherwise requested. During 2016-17 the Section published 11 newsletters. Articles include:

- ◆ Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (May 2017)
- ◆ Book review of *The Anxious Lawyer: An 8-Week Guide to a Joyful and Satisfying Law Practice Through Mindfulness and Meditation* by Jeena Cho and Karen Gifford (Oct. 2016)
- ◆ Broadening our horizons (Apr. 2017)
- ◆ A call for caution when limiting the public's access to criminal courtrooms (Feb. 2017)
- ◆ Can a defendant be compelled to submit to a Rule 215 physical or mental examination? (Jan. 2017)
- ◆ Can justice be served online? (April 2017)
- ◆ Chair's column (Oct. 2016)
- ◆ Chair's column: A bias-free profession (Jan. 2017)
- ◆ Chair's column: On honesty (July 2016)
- ◆ Cook County Judge Debra Walker is first judge to receive NCBF Excellence Award (March 2017)
- ◆ Courthouse professionalism: Not just for judges and lawyers (July 2016)
- ◆ Criminal trials in Britain (Sept. 2016)
- ◆ Do corporations need an attorney in administrative review hearings? (Mar. 2017)
- ◆ Fee Petitions: Kaiser and beyond (Dec. 2016)
- ◆ A few words on why lawyers still admire an Illinois lawyer named Abraham (Feb. 2017)
- ◆ Forensic tools solve new, cold cases (May 2017)
- ◆ I know it when I see it (Sept. 2016)
- ◆ The ideal standing order: What should be included? (June 2017)
- ◆ An interview with Justice Garman (Nov. 2016)
- ◆ An interview with the Chief Justice (Nov. 2016)
- ◆ A judge's perspective on sentencing hearings (Apr. 2017)
- ◆ Judge's side of the bench (Sept. 2016)
- ◆ A jury of 12 (Not 6), as heretofore enjoyed: The Illinois Supreme Court strikes down Public Act 98-1132 (Dec. 2016)
- ◆ Lawyer Lincoln: A lesson in character (Mar. 2017)
- ◆ Lincoln sites of interest (Feb. 2017)
- ◆ Madison County Domestic Violence Accountability Court (June 2017)
- ◆ More will come! (Mar. 2017)
- ◆ The Ninth Circuit's ruling in *Rizo* suggests employers can pay women less than men for the same job based on prior salary (June 2017)
- ◆ Our evolving notion of what is an 'impartial jury' (Oct. 2016)
- ◆ *People v. Jones*: Prejudicial remarks in a criminal trial (Dec. 2016)
- ◆ The Petrillo doctrine examined (Dec. 2016)
- ◆ Proportionality in e-discovery: The Illinois appellate court seeks to find the right fit (Apr. 2017)
- ◆ Read any good books lately? (Nov. 2016)
- ◆ Recent appointments and retirements (Nov. 2016)
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- ◆ Recent appointments and retirements (Jan. 2017)
- ◆ Recent case concerning contempt (Jan. 2017)
- ◆ Rule 502: Something Illinois litigants can learn from federal courts (May 2017)
- ◆ The Second District avoids causing new ripples in the common law "test the waters" doctrine (Sept. 2016)
- ◆ The Seventh Circuit's decision in *Hively* signals protection for transgender individuals (May 2017)
- ◆ The Supreme Court moves proactively on attorney malpractice insurance and liability issues (Feb. 2017)
- ◆ There is no bright line test for the admission of alcohol in a civil case (Mar. 2017)
- ◆ To arbitrate or to not arbitrate—That is the question (June 2017)
- ◆ To be or not to be—Is that the question? (Sept. 2016)
- ◆ Video testimony: One-way, two-way, Skype, closed circuit: Let me count the ways.... (Nov. 2016)
- ◆ What does the Second Amendment really mean? (Apr. 2017)
- ◆ What federal Magistrate Judges do and why they can or can't do it (May 2017)
- ◆ What traits make for a good lawyer? What about a good judge? (June 2017)
- ◆ Willis R. Tribler (Dec. 2016)