



Section on Child Law

The Mission of the [ISBA Child Law Section](#):

To inform all lawyers practicing in the areas impacting children, including but not limited to juvenile justice and child protection law, adoption, education, guardianship, and family law, of current and significant developments in these areas; to review, monitor and propose legislation in all legal areas impacting children; to enhance the professional skills of lawyers who practice in these areas through continuing legal education programs and publications; and to provide a forum for all entities, lawyers and other interested parties to work for the refinement and improvement of laws and systems impacting children.

General:

- ◆ Section dues are \$30 per year.
- ◆ To join, go to www.isba.org/sections

[Legislation](#)

The Child Law 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: 102
2. Significant legislation:
 - a. House Bill 1804 - Minors arrested or taken into custody for vehicular hijacking
 - b. House Bill 5341 - Sealing or expungement petitions
 - c. Senate Bill - Purchase age for tobacco products

[Newsletters](#)

During the 2017-18 bar year, the Section published 1 newsletters.

Articles included:

- ◆ Chair's column (May 2018)
- ◆ New rule eliminating indiscriminate shackling of children working well (May 2018)
- ◆ Tips for representing stepparents in uncontested adoption cases (May 2018)
- ◆ Relevant articles (May 2018)

ISBA Central

- ◆ Members of the ISBA section get free access to the section's community on ISBA Central. The ISBA Central community allows section members to pose questions, answer questions, and share information with fellow section members from around the state.