

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
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PERSONAL STATEMENT:

I joined the Columbus Bar Association as a law student, and I never looked back. The CBA has been a fixture in my legal life, and in September 2025 I answered a call to fill a vacancy on the Board of Governors. I readily agreed to the opportunity to give my time and energy to the Board and the CBA membership. I bring a service and leadership-oriented mindset to the Board, which I pair with my experience as a private practice, small firm Partner, and a (relatively) new attorney. Throughout my legal career I have demonstrated a commitment to service through pro bono and foundation work, volunteering with my local library, and non-profit board leadership. I'm on the ground at bar association and law school events explaining the importance of being both a lawyer and an active member of the local bar and legal community.

I believe forward thinking and diverse leadership are critical to ensuring that our bar is thriving, not just surviving. And in our current times, we need the CBA more than ever to advance education, professionalism, and service in our legal community. Serving as a Board Member has been a great honor and privilege. I am running for reelection to the Board of Governors for the chance to continue to serve the members of the CBA by enthusiastically showing up for you, welcoming you, and supporting you.

EDUCATION:

Clemson University (B.S., 2014)
Capital University Law School (J.D., 2017)

- *Magna Cum Laude*
- Pro Bono Honors

LAW RELATED BACKGROUND:

As a Partner at The Law Firm of Kitrick, Lewis & Staley-Sladek Co., L.P.A. I represent clients through all stages of complex personal injury and wrongful death cases. I joined

the firm in October 2018 as an Associate Attorney and became Partner in January 2024.

Prior to my time with KLS, I was an Associate at Chapin Legal where we primarily represented plaintiffs in FLSA cases.

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND:

I'm an empath and an environmentalist. I'm a reader. I'm a baking and Great British Bake-Off enthusiast. I'm an animal lover. Since 2022, I have been a regular volunteer in the Homework Help Center at my local branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library. In my capacity as a volunteer, I am frequently humbled by middle school math. I currently serve as a Board Member for the non-profit Slow Food Columbus and volunteer each summer at the Columbus Book Festival. Yearly, I serve as a mentor to student members of the Women's Law Association at Capital University Law School.

BAR ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES:

Board of Governors – Member (October 2025 – present)

Young Lawyers Committee – Co-Chair (June 2020 – June 2022)

Barrister Leadership Program (September 2018 – May 2019)

Young Lawyers Committee – Member (2017 – present)

Columbus Bar Association – Member (2014 – present)

OTHER BAR ASSOCIATION AND LAW RELATED ORGANIZATIONS:

Women Lawyers of Franklin County – Member (2017 – present)

- Secretary (May 2026 expected)
- Treasurer (May 2025 – May 2026)
- Membership Chair (August 2024 – May 2025)
- Law School Chair (August 2023 – July 2024)

Chief Justice Thomas J. Moyer American Inn of Court – Member (2022 – present)

- Secretary (May 2025 – present)
- Membership Co-Chair (June 2023 – May 2025)

Ohio State Bar Foundation – Fellow (April 2024 – April 2025)

Ohio Association for Justice – Member (2018 – present)

HONORS, AWARDS, AND PUBLICATIONS:

2025 District 7 Community Service Award for Newer Attorneys, Ohio State Bar Foundation

Networking Needs a Rebrand, Winter 2025 Columbus Bar Lawyers Quarterly, 37 (Jan. 14, 2025).

Comment, *Harmful Algal Blooms: Ohio Senate Bill 1 and the Challenge of Agricultural Regulation*, 45 Cap. U. L. Rev. 795 (2017).