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Coalition for Court Access Conference

Save the date for this year's Coalition Conference, which will be held via Zoom on Friday, October 30 from 10:00 am-3:30 pm Eastern. The Coalition Conference annually brings together pro bono and civil legal aid partners from around the state.

Pro Bono Reporting

This month, the Foundation sent notifications to calendar year 2019 donors to assist with annual pro bono reporting for the Indiana Supreme Court attorney registration. Find FAQs on pro bono reporting [here](#).

Welcome New Board Officers, Members

The Foundation's board of directors selected its officers and five new members for the 2020-2022 term. Scott Barnhart, Office of the Indiana Attorney General, will serve as board chair; Caryn Glawe, Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, is vice-chair. Julie Slaughter, City of Indianapolis Office of Corporation Counsel, will serve as secretary/treasurer.

Newly elected board members include Hon. James Sweeney, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana; Hon. Elizabeth Tavitas, Indiana Court of Appeals; Hon. Terrence Cody, Floyd Circuit Court; Judy Okenfuss, Ice Miller LLP; and Jacquelyn Pillar, Crist Sears & Zic LLP. See the full list of board members [here](#).

Virtual We the People Competitions

To protect the safety and health of students, teachers, and volunteers, the Foundation has made the difficult, but necessary, decision to move 2020 We the People competitions online. See the full statement [here](#), which includes a survey link for We the People teachers to help us better plan and prepare for the competition season.

We the People Summer Institute

Sixty Indiana teachers attended the Foundation's first virtual We the People Summer Institute on June 30 and July 1. Dr. Robert Dion from the University of Evansville lectured on checks and balances, and Linda Monk, J.D., presented "We the Whole People: Women and Constitution Change from the 14th Amendment to the ERA." Additionally, seven mentor teachers helped attendees craft the content into lesson plans for the classrooms.

Guardianship Information Now Available

Information on guardianship, including forms to request minor uncontested guardianship, is now available on [Indiana Legal Help](#). The Coalition for Court Access and its Indiana Legal Help project continue to expand and improve the resources available for Hoosiers in need of civil legal assistance.

Support Pro Bono, Civil Legal Aid

The Foundation promotes collaboration among pro bono and civil legal aid providers to help low-income Hoosier families. Partnerships between volunteer and staff attorneys assure that every dollar donated expands civil justice for low-income Hoosiers.

Last year, the Foundation awarded grants of \$1.4 million to nonprofit civil legal aid providers. These grants supported innovative programs and expanded services for those in need.

Through your gifts of time and money, we can help Hoosiers and expand civil justice. Please consider [making a gift](#) to the Indiana Bar Foundation.

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