



# BARRISTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members:

Greetings and happy autumn! I am looking forward to serving as President of the Barnstable County Bar Association for the 2024-2025 association year. The collegiality and kindness of our local bar is unmatched, and I am honored to serve our legal community over this next year.

Thank you to Mary Chamberlain for her leadership with the BCBA over the past many years – she was instrumental in sustaining our organization over the difficulties that we have experienced with changes in our internal structure as well as the changes in the world around us post-pandemic.

Already this year, we have seen the BCBA grow and develop – the Southeast Housing Court Lawyer of the Day program has seen great success, and we thank the attorneys who volunteer their time through this program.

Similarly, a continuing thank you to those who volunteer for the Barnstable Probate and Family Court Lawyer of the Day program. There is a core group of attorneys who donate their time each and every month to assist *pro se* individuals navigate the court process, and that takes some of the burden off the judicial and Registry staff. As of October, we have expanded to also accommodate any LOD requests from the Dukes Probate and Family Court. If there is anyone who is interested in volunteering their time for either the Housing or Probate and Family Court LOD programs, please contact me.

Speaking of the Probate and Family Court, we are saddened by Judge Angela Ordoñez's retirement from the bench – she served the Commonwealth for a number of years, and we intend to honor those years of service at the annual Bench & Bar Dinner on November 14. We therefore welcome Judge Denise Meagher as a fantastic addition to the Barnstable Probate and Family Court.

Another honoree at the annual Bench & Bar Dinner is Clerk of the Courts Scott Nickerson, whose presence at the Barnstable Superior Court will be missed. His successor will have big shoes to fill.

Please join us on November 14, 2024, 5:00 p.m. at Alberto's Ristorante in Hyannis to thank Clerk Nickerson and Judge Ordoñez for their dedication to the Massachusetts legal community. You can RSVP through the BCBA website: [barnstablebarassociation.org](http://barnstablebarassociation.org).

The 2024-2025 Board of the Barnstable County Bar Association is already hard at work planning events and educational programming for the upcoming year. We welcome your suggestions and feedback, so please feel free to reach out to myself or the other members of the Board.

Excited to see what this year will bring.

Best,  
Crissa A. Morton  
President, 2024-2025



JOIN THE BCBA AT THE BENCH & BAR  
ON NOVEMBER 14TH!

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## ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY POSITION

### LITIGATION AND COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INVESTIGATION GROUPS

We are seeking an associate attorney to join our litigation and college/university investigation group who wants to enjoy both the practice of law and a great quality of life. We are a team with big city experience handling sophisticated matters, who choose to practice in the Berkshires for its wealth of outdoor and cultural opportunities. Our litigation team works on a variety of cases, including business, employment, property and tort matters. We also conduct investigations for colleges and universities throughout New England. We are a growing firm with offices in Pittsfield, Great Barrington, and Williamstown, offering a collegial atmosphere and excellent opportunities, including partnership track, for the right candidate.

The ideal candidate will have 3+ years of experience working on civil litigation cases in state and federal courts. Candidates should have excellent communication skills and the ability to manage a variety of projects. Experience drafting pleadings, motions, and discovery is required. Court, trial, and deposition experience is preferred. Prior college/university investigation experience is not required.

For the right candidate, this position may be remote, with the expectation of traveling to Berkshire County and other locations for court appearances, client meetings, and other events as necessary. Candidates should live within a 90-minute driving distance of our Pittsfield office.

#### Required Qualifications

1. Must have 2+ years of civil litigation experience.
  2. Must have an active Massachusetts bar admission (or be eligible in MA).
  3. Must live within a 90-minute drive of our Pittsfield, MA office (or willing to relocate).
- Salary: \$110,000 - \$150,000, plus a generous benefits package. Additional salary commensurate with experience will be considered.

*Interested candidates should submit a resume and writing samples to [chennessy@cohenkinne.com](mailto:chennessy@cohenkinne.com).*

## HELP THE BCBA LAWYER OF THE DAY PROGRAM

### *Lawyer of the Day is Conducted Virtually*

Clients call the Barnstable Probate & Family Court and calls are then distributed to the *LOD* for response.

**FOR MORE INFO,  
CONTACT**

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# THE BCBA INVITES YOU TO OUR AUTUMN BENCH & BAR AT ALBERTO'S RISTORANTE

Special Guest Speakers: The Hon.  
Angela Ordoñez & Scott Nickerson,  
Clerk of the Courts

November 14, 2024 at 5 pm

\$55 per person

Cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, & dinner  
Tickets available for purchase at the  
[BCBA website](#)

# An Update from the Barnstable County Clerk of Courts, Scott Nickerson

I want to thank the bar association for giving me this last opportunity to address them with what is going on in Superior Court. I hope everyone had a nice summer and I wish everyone a Happy and Healthy 2024 holiday season. We have one conference room on the second floor that can be used by attorneys to have private conversations with their clients or to use to talk with other counsel about resolving a case. The room can also be booked for depositions if necessary, by contacting me at 508-375-6684 and when you get to the opening message press 6. You can also email me at [scott.nickerson@jud.state.ma.us](mailto:scott.nickerson@jud.state.ma.us) It is located in the former jury check-in office on the second floor.

There is a lounge to be used by attorneys and court staff only to wait during court recesses, lunch recesses and during jury deliberations. The lounge contains two restrooms (unfortunately one is not working at present) and is located in the old victim witness room by the elevator on the second floor. This room is not to be used for meetings with your clients as we have a conference room for that purpose. The other conference room is now being used for the judicial secretary.

All matters are now in person for both civil and criminal matters except as allowed in the Superior Court Standing Order 1-22. If you wish to appear via video-conferencing, you must file a motion and have it allowed by a judge. A clerk cannot allow these types of motions.

We have some personnel changes going on since I last wrote. First, Kristen Eldridge joined our civil department on October 28 and will be cashiering, answer the civil phone and docketing. Doug Clare has been promoted to Case Coordinator. Congratulations, Doug! Lastly, Julia Stagg is now our Head Account Clerk. Please welcome the new

additions to the Clerk's Office.

Since we will be short-handed for a little bit, I ask for the bar's patience during this time. We will be training two new people in new positions which takes time away from those doing their regular roles. I want to thank the bar in advance for their understanding and patience.

I would like to remind the bar that e-filing in the Superior Court has been up and running for over three years in Barnstable Superior Court. We are accepting all types of civil cases and filings. I am pleased that Barnstable Superior Court was chosen for this pilot as it shows our commitment to be on the forefront of court technology and the confidence court administrators have in myself and my office. If you are filing a 9A package, please review the notes on Tyler's homepage because if the correct procedure is not followed, we will reject the filing. If you are filing anything that needs immediate attention or is scheduled for the day you are filing it or the next day, please contact the office to let us know! We do not monitor the e-filing system constantly so a heads up would be greatly appreciated. Any questions, you can contact my office manager John Dale at 508-375-6682.

I would like to remind the bar that it is the attorney's responsibility to write down the start and end times of their cases if they want us to approve FTR requests. My staff will not accept FTR requests that state from 9-1 or worse, 9-4 as times to look for their hearing. We do not have the time to listen through hours of recordings to get to your case. Therefore, if you are not more specific so we can easily find the case, WE WILL REJECT THE REQUEST.

Also, since we are now scanning all documents, I am asking that you do not staple pleadings but to use paperclips.



Photo credit: <https://bcausa.com/barnstable-superior-courthouse>

Staples do not go through our scanners and it takes time to remove the staples so we can scan items in. I appreciate your help in this regard and since all courts will be scanning more documents, you should just stop stapling and use paperclips.

As most of you know, I will be retiring as Barnstable County Clerk of Courts on 01/02/2025. It has been a privilege and an honor to have served as your Clerk of Courts for the past 24 years. I feel that I have left the Clerk's Office in a much better place than what it was when I started in 2001. Many judges have sat in Barnstable Superior Court and have stated that it is one of the best Clerk's Offices in the state. I am proud of what we accomplished over the last 24 years, and it is mostly due to the terrific staff that work here! I wish them, the judges and all others at the Barnstable Superior Court all the best in the future. I want to thank the bar for all the help and assistance over the years. It is the most congenial bar association I have encountered, and I wish all of you many healthy and happy years to come.

As always if any member of the bar has any questions, comments, concerns or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at 508-375-6684 then press 6 or by email at [scott.nickerson@jud.state.ma.us](mailto:scott.nickerson@jud.state.ma.us). Again, I wish everyone a happy and healthy future!

Scott W. Nickerson,  
Clerk of Courts  
Barnstable County



## NEWS FROM THE BARNSTABLE PROBATE & FAMILY COURT

### Greetings from the Barnstable Probate and Family Court Register's Office!

The following is news from the court:

On Thursday, October 17, 2024, the Barnstable Probate and Family Court celebrated the career and retirement of Judge Angela M. Ordonez. Judges, Attorneys, Family and Friends were in attendance. A portrait of Judge Ordonez was unveiled and is in the First Session courtroom. Judge Ordonez was first assigned to Barnstable in 2018 as an Associate Justice. Prior to that, Judge Ordonez was Chief Justice of the Probate and Family Court. Judge Ordonez was a pleasure to work with. She treated the attorneys, self-represented litigants, and all court staff with respect. She had tremendous patience for some of the most difficult family conflicts. The Attorneys and Self-represented litigants felt that had a chance to be heard even if they did not agree with her decision. Judge Ordonez will be missed and we at the court wish her a happy and healthy retirement.

With the retirement of Judge Ordonez, the court welcomed Judge Denise L. Meagher to the court effective Monday, October 21, 2024. Judge Meagher is assigned to the second session courtroom and will be hearing all cases that were heard by Judge Ordonez. Judge Meagher was recently assigned to the Plymouth Probate and Family Court and to the Nantucket Probate and Family Court. Prior to sitting in Plymouth and Nantucket, Judge Meagher was assigned to Worcester. We look forward to working with Judge Meagher.

On September 26, 2024, the Court along with the Barnstable County Bar Association hosted a well-attended Probate and Family Court Round Table Bench and Bar Meeting. One of the topics for discussion is that Massachusetts has expanded the definition of abuse in the context of M.G.L. c. 209A by including "coercive control" as the basis for obtaining an abuse prevention order. The forms have been revised to add this as a basis for an abuse prevention order.

Wi-Fi is now available for your convenience within Barnstable Probate and Family Court. The Wi-Fi service aims to improve connectivity and accessibility for all court personnel and visitors and will be available throughout the courthouse. Please connect to "Court guest" when you enter the courthouse to use this service.

Finally, I am very excited to report that I have worked with First Justice Susan Tierney, Trial court Officials and Barnstable County Officials to acquire more space and update space in our court building for the benefit of our court users and employees. As of October 15, 2024, Phase I of construction began in the building on the lower level. The Probation department will move to this space once the construction is complete. Phase II will begin in some of the space currently occupied by Probation. Once Phase II is complete, Registry and Judicial staff will share this space. Phase III will involve renovating the current Registry space. There will be a public counter in a different location. While this work is in progress, we ask for your patience as the staff will be working at various locations in the building during construction. Construction should be complete by summer 2025.

We will provide further information as we get closer to construction in the Registry. The courtrooms will not be affected by the construction.

As always, a big thank you to all the Lawyers who volunteer for the Lawyer of the Day Program. Thank you also to all the Lawyers who volunteer in countless other ways at the Barnstable Probate and Family Court whether you serve as an ARC Attorney or Conciliator or in any other volunteer capacity. We appreciate all that you do.

As we approach the holidays, wishing you and your families a happy, healthy Holiday Season!

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me at (508) 375-6717 or at [anastasia.perrino@jud.state.ma.us](mailto:anastasia.perrino@jud.state.ma.us)

Sincerely,  
Anastasia Welsh Perrino, Esq.,  
Register/Magistrate  
November 2024





**Pictured left:  
Register Anastasia  
Perrino, First  
Justice Susan Sard  
Tierney, and  
Associate Justice  
Angela M. Ordoñez.**

**Congratulations to  
Judge Ordoñez on  
her retirement.**

**Pictured right: The  
Barnstable County  
Probate & Family  
staff celebrate  
Judge Ordoñez's  
retirement.**



## **BARNSTABLE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE**

The BCBA receives calls from prospective clients in need of a lawyer specializing in a particular area. Our service brings together the client with a participating attorney of the Lawyer Referral Service.

To fully implement our goal of providing a full range and diversity of legal services within the pool of participating lawyers, a reciprocal commitment to the Lawyer Referral Service is a prerequisite. As such, we kindly invite members of the Barnstable County Bar Association to participate in the Lawyer Referral Service.

Go to <https://barnstablebarassociation.org> for additional information and to become a part of our Lawyer Referral Service.



## Office Space for Rent - Centerville

This accommodating space for rent is a sub-lease in a current law office. The available opportunity is perfect for a solo attorney or another professional services business.

### Office space rental includes:

- One large office, fully furnished
- One administrative workstation outside the private office
- All utilities
- Use of kitchen
- Use of conference room
- Use of copiers

**Location:** Bell Tower Mall at 1600 Falmouth Road (Route 28) in Centerville

**Cost:** \$1,000.00 per month, all inclusive

Please contact Karen Wait at (617) 542-6200 x204 for additional information.



## Lawyers with Dogs (and other pets)

Pictured sitting with her pup, Jazz, Susan Moran, Esq. currently serves the Commonwealth as State Senator for the Plymouth and Barnstable Districts. Senator Moran will soon begin her new role as Barnstable County's Clerk of Courts. Congratulations, Su!

# HOLIDAY VOLUNTEERING WITH THE BCBA AT CAPE ABILITIES FARM

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**DECEMBER 2ND FROM 3-5**  
**RSVP INFO TO FOLLOW BY EMAIL.**

The Cape Cod Foster Closet provides new and nearly new clothing, shoes, outerwear, school supplies, baby gear and more for children (NB to age 18) who are being raised by someone other than their biological parent, including foster and adoptive families -- and the more than 3,800 grandparents on the Cape and Islands who are raising their grandchildren. From our storefront in Orleans, our volunteers fan out across the Cape and Islands to provide critically needed supplies, as well as community connection, information on other services, and a listening ear for these uniquely isolated caregivers. No referrals required. No financial threshold to meet. Just great stuff.



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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02108

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CHIEF JUSTICE

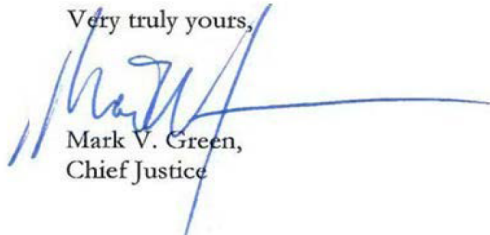
June 6, 2024

President Mary Chamberlain  
Barnstable County Bar Association  
3180 Main Street, P.O. Box 718  
Barnstable, MA 02630

Dear President Chamberlain:

On behalf of the Massachusetts Appeals Court, I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to you and your colleagues at the Barnstable County Bar Association for hosting three of our judges and several staff members for a delicious lunch at the Dolphin Restaurant following "Appeals on Wheels" at the Barnstable Superior Court. We conduct these oral argument sittings outside our regular home in the John Adams Courthouse as part of our continuing efforts to broaden public awareness, understanding, and accessibility of the Massachusetts court system. It is always a delight to be able to share this important aspect of our work with your community. We so appreciated the warm welcome, and we hope to be able to return next year.

Very truly yours,



Mark V. Green,  
Chief Justice

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# OFFICE SPACE IN MASHPEE COMMONS

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Utilities and a high-capacity copier are included.

Rent is \$1,250.00 per month.

Interested? Have questions about this hot-spot space?

Email [sts@snowlawfirm.com](mailto:sts@snowlawfirm.com) for information.



## **BARNSTABLE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION IS ONLINE AND ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

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## 1031 EXCHANGE: A POWERFUL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) provides a powerful tool for real estate investors to defer capital gains taxes when selling property. Commonly known as a "1031 exchange" or a "like-kind exchange," this provision allows investors to reinvest proceeds from the sale of one property into another similar property without immediate tax consequences.

### What is a 1031 Exchange?

A 1031 exchange refers to the exchange of real property used for trade or business or held for investment for a different real property used for trade or business or held for investment. Generally, when real property is sold, the seller must pay capital gains tax upon the sale of the property. However, Section 1031 provides an exception from this general rule if the real property is exchanged solely for another real property of a "like-kind." Properties are of like-kind if they are of the same nature and character.

### Types of 1031 Exchanges

There are three main types of 1031 exchanges: (i) forward, (ii) reverse, and (iii) simultaneous.

#### 1. Forward or Delayed Exchange

In a traditional or "forward" 1031 exchange, an investor sells a property (relinquished property) and then uses the proceeds to purchase another property (replacement property) within a specific timeframe.

#### 2. Reverse Exchange

Conversely, in a reverse exchange, an investor acquires a replacement property before selling the relinquished property. This requires careful planning and coordination to comply with complex IRS regulations

#### 3. Simultaneous Exchange

In a simultaneous exchange, the sale of the relinquished property and the purchase of the replacement property occur at the same time. However, this type of exchange is chosen less frequently as forward and reverse exchanges provide greater flexibility.



**La Tanzi  
Spaulding  
& Landreth**

### Why Conduct a 1031 Exchange?

A 1031 exchange enables investors to defer paying capital gains taxes on the sale of investment or business property, as long as the proceeds are reinvested in a similar property or properties. By doing so, investors can preserve their capital and leverage it to acquire properties with potentially higher returns. Any portion of the sale proceeds that are not reinvested are subject to capital gains tax.

### What Qualifies for a 1031 Exchange?

#### Property that qualifies

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) of 2017 changed what qualifies for exchange under Section 1031. Section 1031 now applies only to exchanges of real property held for productive use in a trade or business or for investment. The quality nor grade of the property has bearing on whether two properties are considered of "like-kind." For this reason, real property is generally considered of like-kind according to the IRS regardless of whether it is improved or unimproved.

#### Property that does not qualify

After the changes set forth in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) of 2017, Section 1031 no longer applies to exchanges of personal property. Examples of property that no longer qualifies include machinery, equipment, patents, artwork, and more. There are also limitations to the real property that qualifies. Since the property must be held for productive use in a trade or business or for investment, properties used for personal use such as primary residences do not qualify. Real property located in the United States cannot be swapped under a 1031 exchange for real property located outside the United States as these properties are not considered to be of like-kind. Moreover, Section 1031 does not apply to any exchange of real property held primarily for sale.

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### ***Exchanges not solely of “like-kind”***

If the real property being exchanged includes additional property or money that does not meet the requirements of Section 1031, then the gain from these additions alone will be recognized. However, if this exchange results in a loss, the loss will not be recognized.

### **Examples of 1031 Exchanges**

The following are some examples of possible 1031 exchanges: (i) improved real estate for unimproved real estate; (ii) an apartment building for an office building; (iii) a shopping mall for a hotel; (iv) a warehouse for a barn, and (v) a retail store for a restaurant.

### **Time Frames and Requirements**

#### ***Identification Period***

Upon the sale of the relinquished property, investors have 45 days to identify potential replacement properties. This identification must be in writing and submitted to a qualified intermediary (QI). The QI is a third party or company that oversees the exchange by holding sale proceeds and acquiring the replacement property. The taxpayer may not receive any sale proceeds without trigger capital gain tax.

#### ***Exchange Period***

After identifying replacement properties, investors must complete the exchange by acquiring one or more of the identified properties. The exchange must be completed 180 days after the sale of the relinquished property or by the due date set for the seller’s tax return for the year in which the property was sold, whichever date is earlier. This timeline includes weekends and holidays.



### **Mortgage Considerations**

In a 1031 exchange involving mortgages, the debt on the relinquished property must either be transferred to the replacement property or replaced with new debt of equal or greater value to avoid triggering taxable gain. Careful attention must be paid to the mortgage terms and financing arrangements to ensure compliance with IRS rules.

### **Importance of Professional Guidance**

Navigating the intricacies of a 1031 exchange requires careful planning and expert guidance. Working with qualified intermediaries, tax advisors, and legal professionals is essential to ensure compliance with IRS regulations and maximize the benefits of the exchange.

### **Conclusion**

For real estate investors looking to defer capital gains taxes and optimize their investment portfolios, a 1031 exchange can be a valuable strategy. Understanding the different types of exchanges, mortgage considerations, and time frames is crucial for successful implementation. With proper planning and professional assistance, investors can take full advantage of this powerful tax-deferral tool to enhance their real estate investments.

Sarah Howes, (pictured left), Intern, Latanzi, Spaulding & Landreth and Cornell Law School Student

Christopher J. Ward, (photo above), Managing Partner, Latanzi, Spaulding & Landreth





## CPCS Seeks Counsel for Child Welfare Appeals

The Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS) is seeking private attorneys to join the Children and Family Law (CAFL) Division appellate panel. CAFL appeals are appeals of final judgments in care and protection, termination of parental rights, guardianship of a minor, contested adoption, and other child welfare proceedings. Most cases concern intervention by the Massachusetts Department of Children and Families in family life. The work of the CAFL appellate panel attorneys includes interviewing and visiting clients, conducting legal research, writing motions and briefs, and arguing cases before the Massachusetts Appeals Court and Supreme Judicial Court. No matter the experience level, CAFL appellate panel attorneys write their own briefs and argue their own cases, and *all* CAFL appeals get oral argument. Private panel attorneys handle the vast majority of CAFL appeals; other CAFL appeals are handled by the CAFL Appellate (staff) Unit. This posting is *not* for a staff position; it is for private attorneys to obtain certification to receive, and be compensated for, CAFL appellate appointments. Compensation is \$85/hour. During the first year after completing the mandatory training, newly certified attorneys are expected to take at least one appellant and one appellee assignment. Panel members should expect to spend about 100-200 hours on each CAFL appeal. New CAFL appellate attorneys receive free mentoring for several years. Private panel attorneys submit bills to CPCS and must agree to follow all billing and other requirements set forth in the CPCS Assigned Counsel Manual, available at:

<https://www.publiccounsel.net/assigned-counsel-manual/>

Kindly direct any questions to Dawn Messer, Supervising Staff Attorney,  
CPCS/CAFL Appellate Panel Support Unit, at: [dmesser@publiccounsel.net](mailto:dmesser@publiccounsel.net).

### Qualifications:

Applicants must have the following minimum qualifications:

Demonstrated proficiency in legal research and writing; and  
At least one of the following:

- i. Two years of child welfare trial experience;
- ii. Primary authorship of two or more appellate briefs in other subjects;
- iii. A recent appellate clerkship, substantial editing experience for a law journal, publication of a law journal article, *or* other substantial research and writing experience.

Applicants must be admitted to the Mass. bar or be eligible for admission by December 2, 2024.

Admission into the training is competitive and not all applicants will be admitted. All admitted applicants must attend the four-day CAFL appellate training program scheduled for **January 21, 23, 28, and 30, 2025**.

The training, which will be conducted by Zoom, will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day. There will also be an orientation by Zoom on **January 14, 2025** from 4:00-5:00 p.m. The agency actively seeks to diversify its private attorney panel membership.

Applications are due on **December 2, 2024**, but will be accepted on a rolling basis until the training is filled.

Applications are available at:

<https://www.publiccounsel.net/train/cafl/>

**Thank you to all who participated in and attended  
the Barnstable Probate & Family Court  
Probate Roundtable Event in April.**



**Many thanks to Leary  
Hodgman Law for  
sponsoring the social  
gathering at the Dolphin.**



## Scenes from the BCBA Annual Meeting at the Cummaquid





Congratulations to the 2024-2025 BCBA Officers and to our newest Board members, Jed Grimm, Rose Mase, and Julie Woodward.









# BARNSTABLE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

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**Admitted 2024: \$0**

**Admitted 2021-2023: \$90**

**Admitted Prior to 2021: \$150**

**Government or Public Defender: \$50**

**Bar Advocate and Legal Aid Attorneys: \$50**

**Retired or over 70 years of age: \$0**