

Dear Colleagues and Fellow Members:

For those of you who cannot tolerate being out of the company of lawyers and lawyers' families, you should have been on the bus excursion to the Peoria Chiefs/South Bend Cubs baseball game on the 13th of June. Of course, there was the bus trip and extra innings following an hour and a half rain delay. Needless to say, we didn't stay through the 16+ innings and the fireworks, if, in fact, they were actually shot off. We were home by then. Still, it was a fun trip. More of you should have made the trip. As always, Andy Hatch did a great job putting everything together.

Our Board is not very innovative when it comes to the election of officers. I am pleased to once again be able to serve as your President. Our other officers are Dan Jackson, Vice President; Stan Freeman, Secretary; and Amber Drew, Treasurer. It is anticipated that Amber will be leaving the Board shortly. That will create not only a vacancy on the Board, but leave us without a Treasurer. Anyone who is interested in serving on the Board will be one leg up on everybody else if that person is able to also serve as Treasurer.

While no one will be chosen as a "token" member, anyone who can add diversity to a bunch of old men will certainly be considered. Any appointment by the Board will be for the remainder of the 2015-2016 year.

A notice of vacancy for Associate Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit accompanies this letter. You will also find this information on the website at www.illinoiscourts.gov.

I am also attaching an email from StdForms regarding new Illinois Supreme Court Rules 10-100 and 10-101.

Please keep Joe Phebus in your thoughts and prayers. We hope he rejoins us soon.

John Gadau, President