Class Notes

Frank J. Daily has been reappointed by the Wisconsin Supreme Court to the Wisconsin Judicial Commission.

Patrick O. Dunphy lectured at Hastings Law School and Stanford Law School on gun litigation and the role of tort law in fostering social change. He is co-founder of Cannon & Dunphy, with offices in Milwaukee and Brookfield, Wis.

Jose A. Olivieri has been named co-managing partner of the Milwaukee office of Michael Best & Friedrich. He previously served as chair of the firm’s labor and employment practice group and led the establishment of its immigration law practice.

Mark V. Afable has been appointed by Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers as the state’s commissioner of insurance. He previously was chief legal officer at American Family Insurance.

Jeffrey L. Hesson has joined von Briesen & Roper in its office in Neenah, Wis.

Tracey L. Klein has become a shareholder in the national law firm of Polsinelli, practicing in its Chicago office.

Maxine A. White, chief judge of the Milwaukee County Circuit Court, received the Jurist of the Year Award from the Wisconsin Chapter of the Justianian Society of Lawyers and the Milwaukee County Sheriff’s Commitment to Excellence Award in fall 2018.

Lynne M. Halbrooks has joined Calburn International, based in Reston, Va., as deputy general counsel and chief compliance officer.

Jeffrey A. Pitman, of Pitman, Kalkhoff, Sicula & Dentice, was elected to the American Board of Trial Advocates. In January 2019, he obtained a plaintiffs’ verdict for $11 million in a nursing-home wrongful-death case in Albuquerque, N.M.

Daniel J. Gabler was appointed by Governor Scott Walker as Milwaukee County Circuit Court judge.

Kevin M. Long was named one of two Milwaukee office managing partners for Quarles & Brady.

Mary S. Gerbig received the 2018 George Tipler Award from the Wisconsin School Attorneys Association. Practicing from the firm’s Green Bay office, she is chair of the school and higher education team at Davis | Kuelthau.

Stacy L. Alvarez joined Westbury Bank, which serves southeastern Wisconsin, as vice president – commercial relationship manager.

Jon E. Fredrickson was appointed by Governor Scott Walker as a circuit judge in Racine County, Wis. Fredrickson was previously a shareholder at Kravit Hovel & Krawczyk.

Katherine Maloney Perhach was appointed by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit to a 14-year term as bankruptcy judge for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

Rebecca Cameron Valcq was appointed chair of the Public Service Commission by Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers. She previously was a partner at Quarles & Brady in its Milwaukee office.

Julie M. DuQuaine joined the district attorney’s office in Outagamie County, Wis.

Employment data for recent classes can be found at law.marquette.edu/career-planning/welcome.
Laura M. Lyons has joined Dean Health Plan as a staff attorney. She is also serving a one-year term as the president of the Wisconsin Association of Worker’s Compensation Attorneys.

David N. Farwell has been named assistant corporation counsel for Milwaukee County.

Kail J. Decker has been appointed city attorney of West Allis, Wis.

Katya L. Zelenovskiy was named one of two Milwaukee office managing partners for Quarles & Brady.

Megan E. Troy was promoted to partner at Seyfarth Shaw, based in Chicago.

Bryant E. Ferguson was named a shareholder at Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren in Milwaukee, practicing in employee benefits.

Jessica B. Prochaska has become a shareholder at Burg Simpson Eldredge Hersh Jardine in Englewood, Colo.

Jaclyn C. Kallie joined the civil litigation team at Gimbel, Reilly, Guerin & Brown, Milwaukee.

Steffanie A. Walczak was promoted to shareholder at Petit & Dommershausen, Menasha, Wis., where she is in the firm’s family law practice.

Heidi M. Gabriel has joined the corporate law practice of Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren, serving the Milwaukee and Madison offices. She is a certified public accountant.

Derek A. Hawkins has joined the Harley-Davidson Motor Company as trademark corporate counsel.

Max T. Stephenson, of Gimbel, Reilly, Guerin & Brown, is president of the Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association’s board of directors.

Stephanie N. Galvin was promoted to associate general counsel with the Miami Marlins Baseball Club.

Kristen D. Hardy is the 2018–2019 president of the Wisconsin Association of African-American Lawyers, and Makda Fessahaye is president-elect. The organization is dedicated to diversifying the legal community through educational programming, community advocacy, and providing scholarships. Hardy is compliance counsel at Rockwell Automation, Inc., and Fessahaye is administrator of the Division of Adult Institutions for the Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

Laura L. Ferrari has joined Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren in its labor and employment practice in Milwaukee.

Matthew J. Ackmann joined the trusts and estates group of Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren, practicing in the firm’s office in Waukesha, Wis.

Elizabeth L. Ehrmann has been named athletics compliance specialist at Cleveland State University.

Michael R. Laing and his wife, Lizzie, welcomed a baby girl, Eloise Alexandra, on December 30, 2018.