

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Committee of the Year

Judge James Z. Davis, Co-Chair

Steven T. Waterman, Co-Chair

Pursuant to the Rules Governing the Utah State Bar, the Utah Supreme Court has delegated to the Bar responsibility to oversee admissions to the Bar. The Bar, through the Admissions Committee oversees the application and admission process for the Bar. In addition, the Admissions Committee recommends to the Bar Commission and Supreme Court amendments to the rules governing admission, Article 7 of the Rules Governing the Utah State Bar. The Admissions Committee functions through the assistance of four additional committees: Character and Fitness, Special Accommodations, Bar Exam Examination, and Bar Examiner. The Admissions Committee has spearheaded numerous improvements to the rules governing admission, the application process, the review process for character and fitness, and the bar exam itself. Internal controls have been implemented to verify the completeness of all applications and insure that all new admittees comply with the qualifications required of new applicants. The Admissions Committee reviewed and analyzed the passing threshold for the Bar exam and Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam prior to recommending increases in the cut scores that were implemented by the Supreme Court. The Admissions Committee also supervises the applications for admission on motion, which allows experienced attorneys from reciprocating jurisdictions to be admitted in Utah without having to take the Bar exam, and applications for house counsel, which permits in house counsel working in Utah to perform non-courtroom services for their employer. The dedicated efforts of the members of this Committee have made a significant contribution to the admission process.

Past Recipients – Committee of the Year

- 1986 LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
- 1987 LAW RELATED EDUCATION *and* LAW DAY COMMITTEE
- 1988 CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- 1989 BAR JOURNAL COMMITTEE
- 1990 BAR EXAMINER COMMITTEE
- 1992 ETHICS *and* DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE
- 1993 LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
- 1994 ETHICS ADVISORY OPINION COMMITTEE
- 1995 DELIVERY *of* LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
- 1996 NEEDS *of* CHILDREN COMMITTEE
- 1997 UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE *of* LAW COMMITTEE
- 1998 COURTS *and* JUDGES COMMITTEE
- 1999 CLIENT SECURITY FUND COMMITTEE
- 2000 ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE
- 2002 CHARACTER *and* FITNESS COMMITTEE
- 2003 NEEDS *of the* ELDERLY COMMITTEE
- 2004 UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE *of* LAW COMMITTEE
- 2005 GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
- 2006 ETHICS ADVISORY OPINION COMMITTEE
- 2007 UTAH BAR JOURNAL COMMITTEE

YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION

Section of the Year

Stephanie Wilkins Pugsley, President
Julie Ladle, Secretary

M. Michelle Allred, Treasurer
Karthik Nadesan, President-Elect

The Young Lawyers Division, with more than 2500 members, is the largest and most active section of the Bar. The 18 committees, with 32 committee co-chairpersons, are committed to serving the YLD, the general Bar membership and the community.

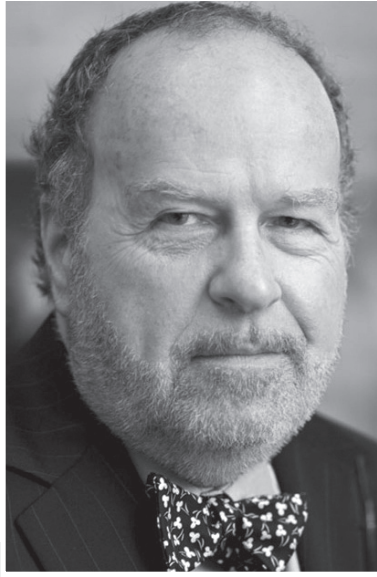
Some of the YLD's highlights this past year include: designing a new logo and look, prominently displayed on its redesigned website and new bimonthly E-Newsletter, which is emailed to all members of the division and in-state law students; hosting the "Been There, Done That" women's forum and mentoring event; bringing the Wills for Heroes program to Utah, which provided more than 200 wills to Utah's first responders, trained more than 145 attorneys, and 50 notaries and witnesses in the first two of the many upcoming Wills for Heroes events; serving over 1,000 people though Tuesday Night Bar, whose co-chairs were recognized as the Bar's Pro Bono Attorneys of the Year on Tuesday Night Bar's behalf; holding a toy drive to benefit dozens of family support centers from St. George to Logan, providing toys to hundreds of children displaced by violence and neglect each year; holding a school supplies drive for low income children; hosting, with UMBA, the second annual Mentoring Marathon providing hands-on interview advice to more than 60 law students; launching the YLD blog advertising job postings, activities, and announcements; rolling out the much anticipated On Demand Mentor video presentation website, and the continued recruiting and filming of additional mentor videos; fundraising successfully for And Justice For All (including the largest Bar Sharks for Justice Pool Tournament and Phone-A-Thon); celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Law Day with our key note speaker 10th Circuit Judge Michael McConnell; hosting and running the Third Annual Young Lawyers Debate Tournament for high school debate students; conducting and participating in several activities with both in-state law schools; and introducing the GEAR UP program to Utah high school students, particularly minority or diverse students, to teach them that legal careers are attainable. The YLD also conducted several CLE seminars though the year and lined up NLCLE tracks at the Mid-Year and Annual Conventions. Not to be forgotten, the YLD put on a great family carnival in Sun Valley.

The Young Lawyers Division appreciates the generous support of the Board of Bar Commissioners and the general membership. The YLD also appreciates the employers of each of the members of the YLD Executive Committee for their recognition of the importance of Bar service in developing service-oriented attorneys committed to giving back to their community. The Young Lawyers Division is honored to be recognized as Section of the Year.

Past Recipients – Section of the Year

1985	SECURITIES LAW SECTION
1987	ENERGY, NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SECTION
1988	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW SECTION
1989	YOUNG LAWYER SECTION
1990	LITIGATION SECTION
1991	FAMILY LAW SECTION
1993	LITIGATION SECTION
1995	LITIGATION SECTION
1997	YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION
1998	LEGAL ASSISTANTS DIVISION
2001	LEGAL ASSISTANTS DIVISION
2002	YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION
2003	FAMILY LAW SECTION
2004	YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION
2005	ADR SECTION
2006	LITIGATION SECTION
2007	PARALEGAL DIVISION

CHARLES R. BROWN



Charles R. Brown was born in Twin Falls, Idaho sometime during the Paleolithic Age. After earning an undergraduate degree in economics, he attended and graduated from the University of Utah College of Law with a J.D. degree in 1971. He began his legal career in Washington, D.C. with the Office of Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service. He remained with the government for five years before changing teams from the black hats to the white hats and leaving for private practice in Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. Brown is currently a director with the Salt Lake City firm of Clyde Snow Sessions & Swenson. His practice primarily involves the representation of clients in tax-related business and real estate transactions and in federal and state tax controversies before the IRS and state taxing authorities, including trial proceedings in various United States and state courts. Mr. Brown is currently listed in *Best Lawyers in America*, *Mountain States Super Lawyers* and the *Utah Business Magazine Legal Elite* in the field of Tax Law. Mr. Brown was also selected by the Tax Section of the Utah State Bar as Tax Practitioner of the year in 1995-1996.

Mr. Brown is regularly involved in the providing of pro bono legal services, primarily in assisting those of limited means and military personnel and their families in the resolution of disputes with federal and state taxing authorities. His achievement and community service in this area was highlighted by the Scott Daniels Award, which he received in 2004 for outstanding service in the providing of pro bono legal services to military personnel, including those stationed in the Middle East. Mr. Brown has shown a strong commitment to the issues involving his profes-

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sion, its independence and integrity. In 2004, in response to the public attacks on the judiciary arising out of the Terry Schiavo controversy, he published an opinion piece in the *Deseret News* explaining the essential nature of and fundamental need for the rule of law and support for the independence of the judiciary.

Mr. Brown has been actively involved in Bar-related activities, having served as Chair of the Utah State Bar Tax Section in 1981-1982, the first Chair of the Utah State Bar Solo and Small Firm Practice Committee in 1993-1994, member of the Utah State Bar Commission from 1994-2000, President of the Utah State Bar in 1999-2000 and a member of the American Bar Association House of Delegates from 2000 to 2006.

Mr. Brown regularly lectures before public groups, including bar seminars, on issues involving taxation, business and real estate transactions and legal ethics. He has also served as an expert witness in numerous trial proceedings involving similar issues.

Mr. Brown has also been involved in a wide variety of community service activities. He has served on numerous non-profit boards, presently serving as a member of the board of the Sheila M. Clark Planetarium and as Volunteer Legal Consultant to the Centro Hispano Low Income Taxpayer Clinic.

Charles and Elke Brown have been married for 38 years and have two daughters and one incredibly gorgeous grandson.

Past Recipients – Lawyer of the Year

1970 DEAN F. BRAYTON

1970 ARTHUR B. WATKISS

1971 HAROLD P. FABIAN

1971 LEROY B. YOUNG

1972 SAMUEL C. POWELL

1973 GRANT H. BAGLEY

1973 MELVIN C. HARRIS

1974 CALVIN BEHLE

1975 CLIFFORD L. ASHTON

1976 SAM CLINE

1977 GEORGE W. LATIMER

1978 IRA A. HUGGINS

1979 F. GERALD IRVINE

1979 CALVIN W. RAWLINGS

1980 REX J. HANSON

1980 WALTER G. MANN

1981 RAY R. CHRISTENSEN

1981 JOHN H. SNOW

1982 REX E. LEE

1983 WILLIAM G. SHELTON

1984 HAROLD G. CHRISTENSEN

1985 EDWARD W. CLYDE

1986 STEPHEN B. NEBEKER

1987 CARMAN E. KIPP

1988 JAMES B. LEE

1988 ELLEN M. MAYCOCK

1989 DONALD B. HOLBROOK

1989 RANDON W. WILSON

1990 BRIAN R. FLORENCE

1990 NORMAN S. JOHNSON

1991 HERSCHEL J. SAPERSTEIN

1992 HARDIN A. WHITNEY

1993 WILLIAM B. BOHLING

1994 JOSEPH NOVAK

1995 GORDON L. ROBERTS

1996 DALE A. KIMBALL

1997 GAYLE F. MCKEACHNIE

1998 LEONARD J. LEWIS

1999 IRENE WARR

2000 D. FRANK WILKINS

2001 ALAN L. SULLIVAN

2002 L. BRENT HOGGAN

2003 JAY E. JENSEN

2003 RODNEY G. SNOW

2004 GEORGE B. HANDY

2005 JAMES S. JARDINE

2006 MAX D. WHEELER

2007 OSCAR W. MC CONKIE

JUDGE GLENN K. IWASAKI



Judge of the Year

Judge Glenn K. Iwasaki was appointed to the Third District Court in July 1992 by Gov. Norman H. Bangerter. He serves Salt Lake, Summit, and Tooele counties. Judge Iwasaki graduated in 1971 from the University of Utah College of Law and served as a Deputy Salt Lake County Attorney. He was also trial attorney for the Salt Lake Legal Defenders Association and was a partner in the law firm of Collard, Pixton, Iwasaki & Downes. Judge Iwasaki has been an adjunct professor of Law at the University of Utah and has served on the Board of Trustees, University of Utah College of Law Alumni Association, and chair of the Youth Parole Authority. During his tenure as deputy Salt Lake County attorney, he served as unit chief for the Special Victims Prosecution Unit. Judge Iwasaki has served as a member of the Utah Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Utah Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Judicial System, the Committee on Improving Jury Service, and the KUED Board. He is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a recipient of the Raymond S. Uno Award from the Utah State Bar.

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1970	HON. CHARLES G. COWLEY	1988	HON. MICHAEL D. ZIMMERMAN
1971	HON. MAURICE H. HARDING	1989	HON. L. KENT BACHMAN
1972	HON. FRED W. KELLER	1989	HON. SCOTT DANIELS
1972	HON. D. FRANK WILKINS	1989	HON. REGNAL W. GARFF, JR.
1973	HON. CALVIN GOULD	1989	HON W. BRENT WEST
1974	HON. DAVID T. LEWIS	1990	HON. CHRISTINE M. DURHAM
1975	HON. GORDON R. HALL	1990	HON. A. LYNN PAYNE
1976	HON. REGNAL W. GARFF, JR.	1990	HON. DAVID E. ROTH
1977	HON. A. SHERMAN CHRISTENSEN	1990	HON. DAVID W. SORENSON
1978	HON. ZACHARY T. CHAMPLIN	1991	HON. CULLEN Y. CHRISTENSEN
1978	HON. DAVID K. WINDER	1993	HON. BRUCE S. JENKINS
1979	HON. JAMES S. SAWAYA	1994	HON. JOHN A. ROKICH
1980	HON. ALDON J. ANDERSON	1995	HON. J. THOMAS GREENE, JR.
1980	HON. J. ALLAN CROCKETT	1996	HON. LESLIE A. LEWIS
1981	HON. RICHARD J. MAUGHAN	1997	HON. W. BRENT WEST
1982	HON. MELVIN H. MORRIS	1998	HON. TYRONE E. MEDLEY
1983	HON. J. ROBERT BULLOCK	1999	HON. LYNN W. DAVIS
1984	HON. JOHN F. LARSON	1999	HON. DAVID SAM
1984	HON. DALLIN H. OAKS	2000	HON. GUY R. BURNINGHAM
1985	HON. ALDON J. ANDERSON	2001	HON. RAYMOND M. HARDING, SR.
1986	HON. DEAN E. CONDER	2001	HON. SHARON P. MCCULLY
1986	HON. SHARON P. MCCULLY	2001	HON. ANNE M. STIRBA
1986	HON. A. JOHN RUGGERI	2002	HON. STEPHEN H. ANDERSON
1986	HON. I. DANIEL STEWART	2002	HON. JERIL B. WILSON
1987	HON. VENOY CHRISTOFFERSEN	2003	HON. RONALD N. BOYCE
1987	HON. FLOYD H. GOWANS	2004	HON. WILLIAM B. BOHLING
1987	HON. GORDON R. HALL	2005	HON. ANDREW VALDEZ
1987	HON. JOSEPH E. JACKSON	2006	HON. GORDON J. LOW
1988	HON. D. DENNIS FREDERICK	2007	HON. SANDRA N. PEULER
1988	HON. MICHAEL L. HUTCHINGS	2007	HON. GREGORY K. ORME
1988	HON. PAUL C. KELLER		