

# **Executive Staff**



Lori Ann Tores
Chief Deputy

Lori Torres is Chief Deputy Attorney General for Attorney General Todd Rokita. Torres is a veteran public servant, having served as the State's Inspector General, Indiana Commissioner of Labor, and Indiana Department of Transportation General Counsel and Deputy Commissioner. She has practiced law for more than thirty-five years, including private practice. Torres graduated from Indiana University and received her law degree cum laude from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.



Jamie W. Weber Chief of Staff

Jamie Weber is the Chief of Staff for the Indiana Attorney General's Office. She has spent her career working with elected officials and consulting candidates for state and federal office. Jamie graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Political Science.



Cory Christian Voight

Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General

Cory assists Chief Deputy Lori Torres and Attorney General Rokita on important legal matters and strategic Office initiatives. Possessing more than 20 years of practice, Cory began his career as a Deputy Prosecutor, was an attorney at two local private firms and has been with the A.G.'s Office for approximately 11 years. Most recently, Cory has been Co-Director of the Complex Litigation Division and looks forward to leading from a more global OAG perspective. Cory resides in Noblesville with his wife, Shannon, and their three children, William, Jacob, and Caroline.



Clinton Bohm
Chief Administrative Officer

Clinton Bohm is the father of five boys and husband to Anne. He has always prided himself on being a father first. During his professional career, he has been an agent of change and improvement in his previous roles with the Department of Child Services and the Ports of Indiana. This is his second tour of service with the Office of Attorney General as he previous serviced as the Director of Finance.



#### Senior Staff



William H. Anthony
Chief Counsel of Advisory

William ("Bill") Anthony joined the Office of Indiana Attorney General in April 2019, as a Deputy Attorney General within the Advisory Division serving as Assistant Chief Counsel. Prior to joining the office, he held various management and advisory roles at the municipal level concentrating on code enforcement, permitting/licensing, and public works. Mr. Anthony graduated from the University of Southern Indiana and earned his Juris Doctorate from Indiana University – Robert H. McKinney School of Law



**Angela N. Sanchez**Chief Counsel of Appeals

Angela Sanchez is the Chief Counsel for Appeals. In that position, she is responsible for all aspects of the Appeals Division's operation and leads a team of over forty outstanding attorneys and support staff. Angela joined the OAG shortly after law school and has been with the Appeals Division nearly her entire tenure. She has handled hundreds of appeals and argued dozens of complex cases before Indiana appellate courts.



**Betsy M. DeNardi**Director of Complex Litigation

Betsy M. DeNardi (formerly Betsy Isenberg) currently serves as the Director of the Complex Litigation Division. She joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in October 2003 as a deputy in the Civil Rights and Employment Litigation Section. She previously served as the Assistant Section Chief and the Section Chief of the Civil Litigation Section in the Office. From February 1, 2017 to July 12, 2020, Betsy served as the Director and Chief Counsel of the Consumer Protection Division.



**Scott L. Barnhart**Director and Chief Counsel of Consumer Protection

Scott Barnhart began his legal career with the Attorney General's Office in 2003. He began as a Law Clerk and later served as a Deputy Attorney General. In 2008, Mr. Barnhart was selected by the Office to cross-train as a Deputy Prosecutor in Indianapolis. He returned to the Office in 2009. From 2012-2019, he practiced at his own firm and returned to public service in 2019. Mr. Barnhart currently serves as Chief Counsel and Director of the Consumer Protection Division.



#### Senior Staff



#### **Patricia Orloff Erdmann**

#### Chief Counsel of Litigation

As Chief Counsel of the Litigation Division, Erdmann leads the Division's four sections consisting of 60 attorneys and over 4,500 cases in state and federal courts. Erdmann's caseload involves complex litigation, constitutional challenges, civil rights and employment, RICO, and whistleblower cases. She has over three decades of legal and management experience that spans the private, public (state and federal), and nonprofit sectors and has served four Attorneys General.



#### Matthew G. Whitmire

#### Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Matthew Whitmire serves as the Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Matthew coordinates the efforts of attorneys and investigators in civil, criminal, and licensing actions involving fraud by providers in the Medicaid program and the abuse and neglect of Medicaid patients in long term care facilities. Matthew received a bachelor's degree in 2000 from Wabash College and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Dayton School of Law, graduating with honors, in 2005.



#### James A. Barta

#### Deputy Solicitor General

James Barta serves as Solicitor General. In this role, he handles constitutional challenges and other litigation of vital importance to state interests. Previously, he served within the office as Deputy Solicitor General, practiced at a nationally recognized litigation boutique, and taught at Georgetown University Law Center. He clerked for Judge Raymond M. Kethledge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and Judge Stephen J. Murphy, III, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.



# Krista Kelly

Chief Data Officer

Krista's experience in the public and private sector in engineering, education, and finance roles provides her with a unique perspective on collecting and using data for strategic decision making. She looks forward to working with the OAG to build flexibility and reliability in processes and to capitalize on technology to create efficiencies.



#### Senior Staff



Ethan Simcox

Chief Financial Officer

Ethan graduated from IU's Kelly School of Business and has been a State employee for 13 years where he worked for the Department of Child Services, State Budget Agency, Department of Health and was most recently the Deputy Controller of the Adjutant General's Office. He plans to leverage his experience in governmental accounting and finance to ensure office resources are used in an efficiently and cost-effective manner while maintaining accuracy and transparency of reporting.



Marlin Dean Gross Jr.
Chief Technology Officer

Marlin Gross has served as the Director of Information Technology for the Indiana Office of Attorney General since October 2017. Marlin is a seasoned Information Technology leader with over 20 years of experience. Marlin has a breadth and depth of enterprise experience from his work with some of the largest enterprises in state, federal, and international government.



Michael G. Chopp
Director of Human Resources

Mike returned to the Attorney General's Office in January 2021 after serving as HR Director from 2004 through 2016. He returned due to his passion for the work that the Office performs daily, the collaborative and collegial environment that is exemplified on a regular basis, and the fact that all employees share in the many wins that the Office enjoys. Mike and his wife Caren have two children.



Michael R. Ward
Director of Investigations

Mike Ward joined the Attorney General's Office in 1986 and was quickly promoted to Director of Special Investigations where he currently serves. Mike is a graduate of the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy's Specialized Investigator Training Academy and is an adjunct Firearms Instructor for the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. Mike has served under eight Attorney's General and has investigated and supervised thousands of sensitive civil, criminal, and internal investigations.



#### Senior Staff



Amy T. Hendrix
Director of Unclaimed Property

Amy Hendrix is the Director of Unclaimed Property for Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita. Amy and her team return an average of one million dollars per week to Hoosiers and their heirs. Most recently, she served as the director of financial empowerment for an Indiana-based not-for-profit where she taught foster youth financial literacy and managed a credit building microloan program.



**Corrine Lorraine Youngs**Policy Director & Legislative Counsel

Corrine Youngs serves as Policy Director and Legislative Counsel to Indiana Attorney General. Prior to joining the OAG, Corrine worked at the Bopp Law Firm PC, as an associate attorney practicing civil trial and appellate litigation in the areas of First Amendment, Campaign Finance, Election, and Constitutional Law. While at the Bopp Law Firm, Corrine also served as general counsel for Indiana Right to Life.



**Erin Tuttle**Legislative Director

Erin Tuttle serves as a consultant to the Office of the Attorney General, working with legislative and policy staff, elected officials, and external stakeholders to further the priorities of the Attorney General. Before joining the office, she worked as a senior policy analyst conducting research and drafting legislation for a variety of clients. Tuttle is the co-author of Deconstructing the Administrative State and a faculty scholar at The Catholic University of America.



**Benjamin Fearnow**Director of Communications

Benjamin Fearnow was born and raised on Indy's Southside before he moved to New York City, where he bounced around newsrooms for 12 years. Always the charmer, Ben enjoys guitar, Italian food & political banter over a nice bourbon.



## Advisory



Hilari Anne Sautbine
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Hilari has worked for the State of Indiana since 2012. Prior to joining the Office of the Attorney General in 2021, she worked for the Indiana Department of Health in various roles. Being an attorney is Hilari's second career – her undergraduate degree is in Biology, and she worked as a microbiologist for several years before going to law school.



**Heidi Adair** Deputy Attorney General

Heidi Adair serves as a Deputy Attorney General in the Advisory Division. Before coming to Advisory, she worked in the OAG's Professional Licensing Enforcement and Homeowner Protection Unit. Her other prior experience includes working as a Staff Attorney for the Indiana Inspector General and interning with the Hendricks County Prosecutor's Office. Heidi is a native Hoosier and resides west of Indianapolis with her husband, Josh, and energetic toddler son, Graham.



**Christopher M. Anderson**Deputy Attorney General

Christopher joined the OAG in October 2018. His legal representation for the State and its agencies includes litigating constitutional challenges, whistleblower actions, judicial reviews, and agency enforcement actions. Before joining the OAG, Christopher served as the Assistant General Counsel for Governor Mike Pence, and then as the Associate General Counsel for the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. Christopher obtained his juris doctor from IU McKinney in 2014, and his bachelor's degree from Taylor University in 2009.



**Claire Zanna Dyer**Deputy Attorney General

Zanna Claire Dyer has served as a Deputy Attorney General with the Office of the Indiana Attorney General since October 2015. Prior to being sworn in as a Deputy Attorney General, Claire joined the Office in August 2013 as a post-graduate law clerk for the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Claire worked in the Medical Licensing Section until August 2019 when she transferred to the Advisory Division.



# Advisory



#### Donald L. Hannah

#### **Deputy Attorney General**

Donald Hannah has served as a Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana working in the Advisory Division since April of 2014. He has written a wide array of official published opinions. Additionally, he provides legal counsel to several boards and commissions, including: the State Board of Nursing; the Board of Accountancy; the Indiana State Fair Commission; the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers; and the Manufactured Home Installer Licensing Board.



# **James Harry**

#### **Deputy Attorney General**

Born and raised as a Hoosier, James proudly calls Indiana "home." James joined the Advisory Division of the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in 2020. Prior to that, James practiced civil litigation and then acted as counsel to the Indiana House of Representatives. James now serves his fellow Hoosiers by advising state agencies on licensing law, contract analysis, and administrative law, as well as a multitude of other issues.



**Adam Harvey** 

#### Deputy Attorney General

Adam Harvey has worked for the Office of the Indiana Attorney General since 2018. Adam has served as a Law Clerk to the Medical Licensing and Advisory Divisions. Following law school at IU McKinney, Adam served as a member of the 2020 I-DAG class and now works as a Deputy Attorney General in the Advisory Division where he serves as an advisory counsel to the Medical Licensing Board among other Boards, Commissions, and state clients.



Leif K. Johnson

#### **Deputy Attorney General**

Leif Johnson serves as a Deputy Attorney General for the Advisory Division. He has been with the Office of the Attorney General since 2011, beginning his time as a summer law clerk and then progressing into a Deputy Attorney General position. He previously served the office's Licensing Enforcement section from 2012 until 2021, fulfilling the roles of Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Section Chief, before joining Advisory.



# Advisory



# Clarence Benjamin Leatherbury

**Deputy Attorney General** 

Clarence graduated from the IU Kelley School of Business in 2012 and earned his J.D. from IU McKinney in 2015. While in law school, Clarence was an extern for the Indiana Supreme Court and Indiana Attorney General's Office. Clarence received his LLM in Corporate Law from IU McKinney in 2021. Clarence is licensed in Indiana and Kentucky.



#### Appeals - Civil



**Benjamin Jones**Section Chief of Civil Appeals

A Hoosier native, Ben completed his undergraduate degree at DePauw University before attending the Indiana Maurer School of Law in Bloomington. After graduation, Ben spent several years in private practice before joining the Office of the Attorney General's litigation division in 2015. Ben joined the appellate division in 2019 and was promoted to Assistant Section Chief for Civil Appeals in 2022.



**Kyle Hunter**Assistant Section Chief of Civil Appeals

Kyle joined the Office's appeals section in 2012, after graduating from Indiana University McKinney School of Law. After five years in appeals, Kyle worked as a staff attorney for the Indiana Supreme Court. Kyle returned to the Office in 2023, and shortly thereafter became the Assistant Section Chief of Civil Appeals.



**Frances H. Barrow**Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Frances has been a Deputy in Civil Appeals since 2002. She has presented about 90 oral arguments in the Indiana Court of Appeals, Indiana Supreme Court, and U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. Frances has been a presenter at CLE seminars on topics including defending class actions, injunction practice, child support appeals, and administrative law, and has lectured at the McKinney School of Law on child support issues.



**David E. Corey**Supervising Deputy Attorney General

David E. Corey is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General in Civil Appeals. David graduated magna cum laude from both Hope College (BA 1991; Phi Betta Kappa) and IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law (JD 2000). David joined the OAG in July 2013 after working as trial and appellate counsel for the Department of Child Services. Before working at DCS, David was in private practice in Michigan and then practiced at Ice Miller, LLP.



# Appeals – Civil



**Evan M. Comer**Deputy Attorney General

Evan Comer joined OAG's Appeals Division as a Deputy Attorney General in January 2018 after having previously clerked in the division from 2016 to 2017. Evan is a graduate of Butler University and the University of Louisville's Brandeis School of Law. Evan has argued multiple cases before the Indiana Supreme Court and Court of Appeals on behalf of the State of Indiana, and he currently serves as chair of the Appeals Division's Law Clerk Committee.



**Katherine A. Cornelius**Deputy Attorney General

Katherine Cornelius attended Valparaiso University School of Law. Katherine clerked for the Indiana Court of Appeals before becoming a trial attorney. She litigated civil, family law, bankruptcy, and juvenile delinquent cases before joining the Marion County Public Defender Agency. After 10 years, Katherine returned to Juvenile Court in the Child in Need of Services and Termination of Parental Rights division. Katherine worked for the Department of Child Services before joining the Office of the Attorney General.



**Abigail Rae Recker** Deputy Attorney General

Abigail R. Recker has been a DAG in civil appeals since 2014. She practices in the Indiana appellate courts, the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana. Mrs. Recker graduated from Indiana State University in 2011 with a double major in political science and legal studies, and in 2014 from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.



**Monika Prekopa Talbot**Deputy Attorney General

Monika Prekopa Talbot is a Deputy Attorney General in the Civil Appeals Section of the Appellate Division. Talbot joined the office in 2000 as a deputy in criminal appeals. She became a supervising deputy in that section 2004, and she held that position until 2019, when she transferred to the civil appeals section. Talbot has presented at least 50 oral arguments in front of the Supreme Court of Indiana and the Indiana Court of Appeals.



# Appeals – Civil



Natalie F. Weiss
Deputy Attorney General

Natalie Weiss joined the Office in 2018. She is a graduate of Muhlenberg College. Natalie earned her Master's Degree in Teaching at Marian University. From 2012-2014, Natalie served as a Teach for America corps member in Indianapolis. After completing the Teach for America program, Natalie attended Loyola University Chicago School of Law. Before joining the OAG, Natalie was as an associate attorney at a law firm in Noblesville, Indiana practicing education law.



# **Appeals - Criminal**



Andrew Kobe
Section Chief of Criminal Appeals

Andrew A. Kobe began his legal career clerking for Justice Brent E. Dickson of the Indiana Supreme Court. He worked as Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Huntington County for four years handling cases from serious felonies to infractions. In his two stints as a Deputy Attorney General, Andrew has argued over 40 cases in the Indiana Supreme Court and over fifteen cases to the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. He has been the Section Chief of Criminal Appeals since 2010.



Jesse R. Drum
Assistant Section Chief of Criminal Appeals

Jesse manages federal habeas corpus litigation as an Assistant Section Chief for Criminal Appeals. He joined the OAG as a law clerk in 2012. He has written briefs and presented oral arguments in the Indiana appellate courts and the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals and has drafted briefs in the Supreme Court of the United States. He lives in Indianapolis with his wife and two sons.



**Kelly Allison Loy**Assistant Section Chief of Criminal Appeals

Kelly Loy is the Assistant Section Chief in Criminal Appeals. During her fifteen years with the OAG, Kelly has represented the State of Indiana in criminal and post-conviction appeals, federal habeas corpus proceedings, and capital post-conviction hearings. Additionally, Kelly served as a prosecutor in securities fraud cases and had a general practice in Maine for several years following law school.



**Tyler G. Banks**Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Tyler Banks is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General in Criminal Appeals and handles criminal cases on direct appeal, post-conviction appeal, and federal habeas corpus review. He also litigates matters in capital cases. He was previously a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Southern Indiana.



# **Appeals - Criminal**



lan McLean
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Ian McLean joined the Attorney General's Office from private practice in civil and criminal law in 2007. He is a former Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney. He has prepared and filed over 750 briefs for OAG in the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court and argued 31 cases in the Supreme Court and 32 cases in the Court of Appeals.



**Ellen Meilaender** Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Ellen H. Meilaender is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Appeals Section. After receiving her J.D. from the Indiana University Maurer School of Law, where she graduated magna cum laude and served as an Articles Editor on the Indiana Law Journal, she joined the Attorney General's Office in 2000 and has been a supervising attorney since 2004. She is one of the State's most experienced appellate advocates.



Justin F. Roebel
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Justin F. Roebel is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Appeals Section. Justin joined the office in June 2012, but previously served as a Deputy Attorney General from 2002-2008. In the interim, Justin served as Assistant Corporation Counsel to the City of Indianapolis. Justin is from Fort Wayne and now lives in Indianapolis with his wife and daughter.



**George P. Sherman**Supervising Deputy Attorney General

George Sherman has represented the State of Indiana in over 1,200 criminal prosecutions on appeal. During law school, George became interested in a career in criminal law while volunteering to assist victims of domestic violence. He also clerked at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in the General Litigation and Appeals Divisions. After completing a post-doctoral fellowship with the dean of the law school, George was hired as a Deputy Attorney General in 2002.



## **Appeals - Criminal**



Caroline G. Templeton
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

Carrie is a native of Indiana. After graduating law school, she began her law career by working for the Department of Child Services in Wayne County. She joined the OAG in October 2017 in criminal appeals. In addition to state appeals, Carrie also works on federal habeas conviction cases. Carrie has presented oral argument in the Indiana Court of Appeals, Indiana Supreme Court, and the Seventh Circuit.



**Jennifer B. Anwarzai**Deputy Attorney General

Jennifer previously worked in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, where she prosecuted cases involving drug diversion, patient abuse, neglect, and healthcare fraud. Prior to joining the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in March 2022, Jennifer was a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in the Major Felony Division at the Marion County Prosecutor's Office. She completed her bachelor's degree in English Literature and Political Science at Butler University in 2012.



**Catherine E. Brizzi**Deputy Attorney General

Catherine Brizzi is a Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Appeals Section. Catherine joined the Office of the Attorney General in 2019 as a member of the second class of the Intensive Deputy Attorney General Program. She completed her bachelor's degree in Psychology at Indiana University Bloomington and graduated cum laude from the University of Cincinnati College Of Law. She is licensed to practice law in the State of Indiana.



**Samuel J. Dayton**Deputy Attorney General

Sam has worked in the criminal appeals division of the office since January 2019, and he has worked for the office since June 2014. As of June 2022, Sam has authored around 200 appellate briefs and has delivered oral arguments in the Indiana Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals of Indiana.



#### **Appeals - Criminal**



**Steven J. Hosler**Deputy Attorney General

Steven Hosler is a member of the second class of the Intensive Deputy Attorney General program. Steven completed his bachelor's degree at Indiana University and his J.D. at Indiana University Maurer School of Law. He began his time at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General as a clerk in 2018. In 2019 he joined the office as an Intensive Deputy Attorney General and then was placed in the Criminal Appeals Section in 2020.



**Sierra A. Murray** Deputy Attorney General

Sierra was born and raised in the Hoosier State. After completing law school, she joined the OAG in November of 2018 as a member of the Intensive Deputy Attorney General (I-DAG) training program. In March of 2019, she was promoted to Deputy Attorney General in the Appeals Division. During law school, Sierra was a member of the Order of the Barristers, competed in ABA Moot Court Competition, and served as the student graduation speaker.



**Megan M. Smith**Deputy Attorney General

Megan has been a Deputy Attorney General since April 2019. Megan has presented oral arguments in the Indiana Court of Appeals and Indiana Supreme Court. Before joining OAG, she spent over five years as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney with the Marion County Prosecutor's Office, Child Support Division. Prior to graduating from law school, Megan spent two years as a social worker and eight years overseeing the small-claims judgment collections for a property management company.



**Alexandria Sons**Deputy Attorney General

Alexandria joined Criminal Appeals in November 2021 after clerking in Appeals during law school and participating in the I-DAG program. She graduated from Indiana University with a bachelor's degree in Religious Studies and a minor in Philosophy. She graduated cum laude from Indiana University McKinney School of Law, where she was a member of the Order of the Barristers, a quarter-finalist in the moot court tournament, and a member of the Indiana Health Law Review.



#### **Appeals - Criminal**



Courtney L. Staton
Deputy Attorney General

Courtney Staton received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Kent State University in 2012 and her juris doctorate from Ohio Northern University in 2015. After graduating from law school, Courtney began her legal career by working as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for Madison County, Indiana. She joined the Attorney General's Office in March of 2019 and has presented oral argument in the Indiana Court of Appeals and Indiana Supreme Court.



**Jodi K. Stein**Deputy Attorney General

Jodi Stein is a native of Michigan and graduated in 1988 from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. She graduated from the Indiana University School of Law, Indianapolis, in 1992, becoming a member of the Indiana bar that October. Jodi joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in 1993 and has served in both the Advisory and Criminal Appeals divisions.



**Erica S. Sullivan**Deputy Attorney General

Erica is from Indianapolis and is a proud graduate of Indiana University Maurer School of Law. She has clerked for the Indiana Court of Appeals and has worked for a number State agencies, including the Gaming Commission and Department of Child Services. She has worked for the Office of the Attorney General in two stints and is in her fifth year of service. She brings her wealth of knowledge and experience to all of her work in Appeals.



**Daylon Welliver**Deputy Attorney General

Daylon started his career clerking for Justice Dickson on the Indiana Supreme Court. After that he spent 24 years at the Johnson County Prosecutor's Office, including several years handling sex and child crimes, with the final three as chief deputy. He is married and has two adult children and a dog.



# **Appeals - Criminal**



James Whitehead
Deputy Attorney General

J.T. Whitehead graduated from Wabash College in 1987, received his MA in philosophy from Purdue in 1993 and his JD from Indiana University in 1997. His career with the State of Indiana began in June of 1998. He lives in Indianapolis with his two sons, Daniel and Joseph.



**Nicole Dongieux Wiggins** Deputy Attorney General

Nicole began her career with the AG's office in 2009 and was pleased to rejoin Criminal Appeals in 2021. When she is not diligently writing briefs, you may find her chasing around her three young daughters. In the fall, she loves watching college football and cheering on the Irish and Ole Miss.



**Robert M. Yoke**Deputy Attorney General

Bob is from Indianapolis and worked for the Indiana Department of Child Services and the Marion County Prosecutor's Office before joining the Office of the Attorney General.



# **Complex Litigation**



**Christi M. Foust**Deputy Attorney General

Christi Foust is a Deputy Attorney General in the Complex Litigation section. Prior to joining the Office of the Indiana Attorney General, she was a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in the Major Felony Division at the Marion County Prosecutor's Office.



#### Consumer Protection - Data Privacy and ID Theft



#### **Steven Taterka**

#### Deputy Director, Consumer Protection Division

Steven is Deputy Director of the Consumer Protection Division. His prior experience includes consumer protection cases including UDAP, lemon law, odometer fraud, salvage fraud, Truth-in-Lending and Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. He is a former Indiana Deputy Attorney General, Tennessee Assistant Attorney General and legal services attorney in Wisconsin and Alabama. He has drafted various consumer protection statutes including Indiana's lemon law buyback disclosure law and is admitted to practice in Wisconsin, Alabama, DC, Indiana and Tennessee.



#### **Douglas S. Swetnam**

#### Section Chief of Data Privacy & Identity Theft

Douglas Swetnam is the Section Chief for Data Privacy and Identity Theft at the Office of Attorney General Todd Rokita. He leads multi-state investigations and litigation in matters involving technology, robocalls, data breaches and HIPAA. In his early career he was a trial attorney. He subsequently served as Global Director of Web Technologies for a Fortune 200 company and subsequently worked in various capacities for two additional Fortune 500 companies prior to joining the office.



**Hannah Jones** 

#### Deputy Attorney General

After graduating from IU-Bloomington with degrees in Criminal Justice and Sociology, Hannah went on to the Indiana University Maurer School of Law, graduating in 2022 with her JD. She joined the Attorney General's office in 2022 through the IDAG program. After completing the program, she joined the Data Privacy and ID Theft Unit in May 2023.



**Casey Klippel** 

#### **Deputy Attorney General**

Casey Klippel serves as Deputy Attorney General for the Data Privacy & Identity Theft Unit. Klippel enforces robocall, data breach, and HIPAA violations across Indiana. He previously served as an attorney for the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles and was tour manager for several country bands. Klippel attended law school at Belmont University College of Law in Nashville, Tennessee and earned his bachelor's degree from Indiana University — Bloomington. He and his family reside in Zionsville.



#### Consumer Protection - Data Privacy and ID Theft



Jennifer Van Dame
Deputy Attorney General

Jen joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in 2021. In her role as Deputy Attorney General, Jen investigates and litigates data breach and privacy-related matters, including multistate investigations. From 2015 to 2021, she worked in private practice in Indianapolis, focusing on complex litigation and appellate matters. Jen completed a clerkship with the Honorable Margaret G. Robb of the Indiana Court of Appeals before entering private practice.



Joseph D. Yeoman
Deputy Attorney General

Originally from small-town Iowa, Joe Yeoman went to college in Chicago and eventually law school at Illinois, graduating summa cum laude. He clerked with the Office in the summer of 2018, and then joined as an attorney in the summer 2020. Joe lives with his wife and two children in Fishers, Indiana. He enjoys long distance cycling, including participating in the Ride Across Indiana (RAIN).



# Consumer Protection – Licensing Enforcement



Amy Janelle Osborne
Section Chief of Licensing Enforcement

In 2004, Amy began her career in public service by working for several state agencies, including the Indiana Secretary of State and Department of Education. Amy transitioned to a legal career after graduating from IU McKinney School of Law in 2018. Her legal career includes working in private practice prior to returning to state government as an administrative law judge. Amy currently serves as Assistant Section Chief of Licensing Enforcement at the Attorney General's office.



**Kelsey E. McKnight**Assistant Section Chief of Licensing Enforcement

A former commodity trader for a Fortune 50 company, Kelsey left the agricultural world and attended IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law where she focused on corporate and commercial law. After graduation, Kelsey started her legal career as in-house counsel for a small tech company based in Indianapolis. In 2019, Kelsey joined the Licensing Enforcement Section as a Deputy Attorney General. Kelsey is a self-proclaimed "foodie," enjoys spending time outdoors and all Chicago sports.



**Chase M. Haller**Director of the Homeowners Protection Unit

Chase graduated from the University of Dayton School of Law in 2011 after earning a bachelor's degree from Indiana University in Bloomington in 2008. Chase spent the first several years of his career at the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic. Chase began his work as Section Chief of the Homeowner Protection Unit at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in March 2021.



**Timothy Weber**Assistant Section Chief of the Homeowners Protection Unit

Tim has worked for the Attorney General's office in licensing enforcement for 12 years, starting as a law clerk and advancing to Assistant Section Chief. He left the office briefly in 2022 when he spent some time at the Marion County Prosecutor's office as a domestic violence prosecutor.



#### Consumer Protection - Licensing Enforcement



**Ryan P. Eldridge**Deputy Attorney General

Ryan comes to Indiana from Crittenden, Kentucky. Ryan joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in June 2016 as a law clerk for criminal appeals. After law school, Ryan served as a graduate law clerk for the Advisory Division. Once Ryan was admitted to the Indiana Bar, Ryan joined the office as a Deputy Attorney General for the Licensing Enforcement Section in November of 2017.



**Robert Fox**Deputy Attorney General



# **Rebekah Hammond**Deputy Attorney General

In 2017, while attending law school, Rebekah began her career with the Attorney General's Office as a Case Analyst/Investigator and Certified Legal Intern. As an Investigator, Rebekah conducted over 900 investigations into consumer complaints into medical professionals and unlicensed practices. She left to work at the Marion County Prosecutor's Office where she managed misdemeanors/F6 cases and was first chair for several jury trials. Rebekah looks forward to serving as a Deputy Attorney General in the Licensing Enforcement Division.



#### **Amanda Holbrook**

**Deputy Attorney General** 

Amanda joined the Attorney General's Office in August of 2021 as an Intensive Deputy Attorney General. Prior to her current role, she worked in the Government Litigation Section of the Office. Amanda received her undergrad degree from the University of Kentucky and her law degree from Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law in Washington DC. She was a law clerk with the Office of Information and Policy with the Dept of Justice.



#### Consumer Protection - Licensing Enforcement



**Gavin Hunter**Deputy Attorney General

Gavin joined the OAG as an iDAG in August 2022. After graduating from Grand Valley State University with a BBA in Economics and Finance, Gavin attended IU McKinney where he earned his JD and a graduate certificate in Health Law. Gavin was a member of the Indiana Health Law Review and is a lifetime member of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the International Economics Honor Society.



**Alex O. James**Deputy Attorney General

Alex James began his legal career as a law clerk for the Allen County Superior Court prior to joining the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in 2008. He left in 2011 to pursue interests in mathematics where he later became a college professor at Ivy Tech Community College. Prior to rejoining the office in 2021, Alex work as a solo practitioner doing civil litigation in Indianapolis and surrounding area.



**Ian Thomas Mathew**Deputy Attorney General

lan grew up in New Harmony, Indiana. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in public administration, both from the University of Southern Indiana. Before attending law school, he taught English at a university in China through the Council on International Educational Exchange. In 2020, Ian graduated summa cum laude from the Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville, and he joined the Licensing Enforcement Section in 2021.



**Britney J. McMahan**Deputy Attorney General

Britney McMahan is a Deputy Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Indiana Attorney General where she primarily represents the State of Indiana before the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. Ms. McMahan earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Religious Studies from Indiana University—Indianapolis in 2009. Ms. McMahan earned her J.D. and Health Law Certificate from IU McKinney School of Law in 2014.



# Consumer Protection – Licensing Enforcement



Autumn R. Murphy
Deputy Attorney General

In 2015, Autumn graduated from the University of Kentucky and began working as a legal assistant for a medical malpractice firm. In 2018, Autumn started at Indiana University Maurer School of Law, participating in moot court and volunteering for the Inmate Legal Assistance Project. In 2021, Autumn graduated and accepted a position as a Deputy Attorney General in the Licensing Enforcement Section. She enjoys distance running, hiking, and giving her four pets a lavish lifestyle.



**Carah Rochester**Deputy Attorney General

Carah Rochester, a native Hoosier, is a Deputy Attorney General in Licensing Enforcement. Carah attended IU McKinney School of Law and also holds a Graduate Certificate in Health Law and a Master of Health Administration. She is admitted to practice law in Indiana and the United States Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana. In her free time, Carah enjoys spending time with her family and traveling



**Sha'na Harris Terry**Deputy Attorney General

Sha'na graduated from Michigan State University and attended law school at Valparaiso University where she graduated in the top quarter of her class. Sha'na began her legal career at the Neighborhood Legal Christian Legal Clinic. Next, Sha'na served as a prosecutor for the Marion County Prosecutor's Office and the Hancock County Prosecutor's Office. After three years as a prosecutor, Sha'na continued her career of public service at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General's Office.



Jackson Yerkes
Deputy Attorney General

Jake is a recent law school graduate who passed the bar in July. He clerked with Consumer Protection for a year during law school. His current position is Deputy Attorney General for the licensing enforcement section of the AG's office.



#### **Consumer Protection – Litigation**



Corinne Gilchrist
Section Chief of Consumer Litigation

Corinne joined the office as a clerk for the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and became a Deputy Attorney General in the Litigation Division in 2008. Attorney General Gregory F. Zoeller awarded Corinne a Certificate of Excellence in Public Service in 2009. She spent three years working for the Indiana Department of Child Services, on internal affairs and licensing legal matters. Corinne has been with the Consumer Protection Division since fall of 2017.



**Michelle A. Alyea**Deputy Attorney General

Michelle Alyea is a Deputy Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Division of the Indiana Attorney General. She is a graduate of Valparaiso University and Valparaiso University School of Law. She is admitted to practice law in Indiana and Illinois. She joined the Consumer Protection Division after clerking for a federal judge in the Northern District of Indiana, working at the Merrillville office of Indiana Legal Services, and spending time in private practice at a consumer protection law firm in Chicago.



**Kara J. Burgess**Deputy Attorney General

Kara joined the OAG in December 2019 as a Deputy Attorney General assigned to Tobacco Enforcement within the Consumer Litigation Division. She graduated from Purdue University in 2008 with a B.A. in Anthropology and Arizona Summit Law School in 2015, where she graduated cum laude with her Juris Doctor. She has practiced law as a prosecutor in Maricopa County, Arizona, and Rush County, Indiana, a family law attorney, and a document review attorney.



**Ryan Frasher**Deputy Attorney General

Ryan joined the Office's consumer protection litigation section in December of 2022. He comes from more than fourteen plus years of private practice experience where he focused on consumer protection and complex litigation. He has first chaired multiple jury trials including a class action trial. He has also argued before the Indiana Court of Appeals, Indiana Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals on consumer protection matters.



## **Consumer Protection – Litigation**



**April T. Keaton**Deputy Attorney General

In January 2017, April joined the OAG as a law clerk. She worked with the Solicitor General, Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy, and Real Estate, and was part of the inaugural class of the iDAG Program. April is a member of the Sagamore American Inn of Court, the Indianapolis and Indiana State bar associations, and a Class X graduate of the Indiana State Bar Association's Leadership Development Academy. April also enjoys mentoring aspiring attorneys and volunteering.



Matthew Alan Michaloski Deputy Attorney General

Matt hails from Evansville, Indiana—and he used to live there too! Now he does antitrust work for the OAG and lives in Plainfield with his wife and three children. Prior to law school he worked as a factory hand and also for FedEx Ground. Experiences during law school included working in the chambers of Indiana Supreme Court Justice Geoff Slaughter, in an in-house corporate setting, and in the niche, constitutional-law-oriented Bopp Law Firm.



**Jesse Moore** Deputy Attorney General

Jesse Moore joined the OAG as an IDAG in 2022, after graduating from Indiana University. As a DAG, Jesse's primary focus is on Antitrust matters. Having grown up on the west side of Indianapolis and spent seven years studying in Bloomington, Jesse was excited to become a lawyer for the State of Indiana. Jesse currently lives on the east side of Indianapolis with his wife and two dogs and enjoys traveling on the weekends.



Jacob Murray Deputy Attorney General

Jacob has been a Deputy Attorney General with the Consumer Litigation section since 2017, focusing on a variety of consumer protection issues. Prior to his current position, Jacob was a law clerk with the Consumer Protection division, as well as a law clerk with Eli Lilly's accounting department. Jacob currently resides in Indianapolis with his wife and three children.



#### **Consumer Protection – Litigation**



Mark M. Snodgrass
Deputy Attorney General

Mark Snodgrass has worked as a Deputy Attorney General within the Consumer Protection Division since 2010. He has worked on a wide variety of consumer cases, and currently focuses primarily on investigations and litigation related to issues involving the sale of motor vehicles to consumers, such as deceptive dealer advertising, odometer fraud, salvage vehicle sales, and failure to deliver titles.



**Tamara L Weaver**Deputy Attorney General

Tamara is a native Hoosier, born and raised in Chesterton. Tamara has been with the OAG since 2010 in a variety of capacities, including her work in victim services and her current position in the Consumer Protection Division. Tamara enjoys speaking to Hoosiers about the function of the OAG and how it can be a resource in preventing and fighting scams as well as her work involving charities.



#### Litigation - Administrative & Regulatory



Aaron M. Ridlen
Section Chief of Administrative & Regulatory Litigation

Aaron leads a team of committed public servants who represent state agencies and officials in a variety of cases including constitutional challenges, judicial reviews, election cases, environmental enforcement, tax disputes, and others. Aaron has previously served as a Deputy Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Division and as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in southern Indiana. He graduated from the Indiana University McKinney School of Law and holds an undergraduate degree in economics from the University of Southern Indiana.



Jonathan Derek Atwood Deputy Attorney General

Derek has served in a wide variety of legal roles. Beginning in private practice, his practice area included criminal defense, family law, real estate, and estate planning. Recently, Derek served as a Marion County Deputy Prosecutor. Before serving as a Deputy Attorney General in his current role, he previously served the office as a deputy in Government Litigation.



**Brendan Basaran**Deputy Attorney General

Brendan began his legal career in 2019. Prior to law school, Brendan worked as an instrumentation chemist, supervised a forensic toxicology lab, managed a public health lab, and focused on process improvement in the laboratory setting. Brendan graduated Franklin College with an undergraduate degree in Biology, the University of Indianapolis with a Master of Public Health degree, Butler University with a Master of Business Administration degree, and Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.



**Trent Bennett**Deputy Attorney General

Trent Bennett started at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General as a clerk in Appeals Division in 2021. Trent graduated from IUPUI with bachelors' degrees in Political Science and in Civic Leadership. He graduated Indiana University's McKinney School of Law, where he was a member of the Order of the Barristers and a member of the Indiana International and Comparative Law Review. He is currently a member of the 2022 I-DAG class.



#### **Litigation – Administrative & Regulatory**



**Bradley Davis**Deputy Attorney General

Bradley earned his B.A. from Miami University in 2020 and his J.D. from IU Maurer School of Law in 2023. He joined the office in 2022 as a law clerk for the Solicitor General division and continued his legal career as an I-DAG. While in law school, Bradley also interned for Judge James P. Hanlon of the Southern District of Indiana and for a public interest firm in Washington, D.C.



**Rebekah Durham**Deputy Attorney General

Rebekah came to the Attorney General's office from Cincinnati, Ohio, where she worked as a chef before deciding to study law. She graduated cum laude from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in 2022, where she was the Publications Editor of the law review and a member of the trial practice team. Away from work, she enjoys cooking, baking, and cheering on her favorite baseball team: the World Champion Atlanta Braves.



**Blake Erickson**Deputy Attorney General

Blake joined the office in 2022 following his graduation from the University of Michigan Law School. Immediately prior to that, he graduated cum laude from Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Blake was raised in the small town of Roscommon, Michigan, and quickly found an affinity for the outdoors, growing up hunting and fishing. While not working, Blake enjoys spending time visiting national parks, playing golf, and competing in trivia competitions.



**Lydia Ann Golten**Deputy Attorney General

After graduating from IUPUI with degrees in History and Economics, Lydia went on to the Indiana University Maurer School of Law, graduating in 2020 with her JD. In addition to her JD, Lydia holds an LLM in European Law from Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas University. She joined the Attorney General's office in 2020 through the IDAG program. After completing the program, she joined the Administrative and Regulatory Enforcement Litigation Section in January 2021.



#### **Litigation – Administrative & Regulatory**



Jill Haddad
Deputy Attorney General

Jill Haddad is a Deputy Attorney General in the Office's Administrative and Regulatory Enforcement Section. Haddad is a veteran legal professional, having served as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for both Marion and Shelby County, and as Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Indianapolis. She joined the office in September 2019. Jill is a lifetime resident of the Southside of Indianapolis and currently lives there with her husband and four children.



Patricia Huber Strachan
Senior Deputy Attorney General

Patricia Huber Strachan was admitted to the Indiana Bar in 1987. She joined the Indiana Attorney General's Office on January 19, 1999, and is currently a Senior Deputy Attorney General in the AREL Section of the Litigation Division. During her 23-year tenure with the office, her primary duties have included representing the State of Indiana in mental health commitment proceedings, as well as many other administrative and regulatory litigation matters



**Thomas Martindale**Deputy Attorney General

Tom was born and raised in Indiana and is proud to be a Hoosier. Tom began his employment as an attorney with the State of Indiana in 2012. In 2023, Tom joined the Office of the Attorney General. Tom resides in Fishers with his wife and daughter.



Meredith McCutcheon
Deputy Attorney General

Meredith received her JD in 2010. While in law school, she completed internships at the United Nations; the National Association of Clean Water Agencies; the Office of the New York State Attorney General; Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP; and NOAA. After law school, she was a fellow for the Center for Ocean Solutions and clerked for the Honorable Rudolph R. Pyle III and the Honorable Patricia A. Riley of the Indiana Court of Appeals.



#### **Litigation – Administrative & Regulatory**



**Kari Morrigan**Deputy Attorney General

Ms. Morrigan graduated from IU-McKinney School of Law in 2017. She worked as a law clerk for the Court of Appeals until 2019. In 2019, Ms. Morrigan became an associate, and later a supervising attorney, at a boutique law firm in Zionsville doing Fair Credit Reporting Act defense and operating from New York to Hawaii. In 2022, Ms. Morrigan became a Deputy Attorney General with the Administrative and Regulatory Enforcement Litigation Section.



**Matthew Pascale**Deputy Attorney General

Originally from the Northeast, Matt earned his B.A. at Bowdoin College ('18), where he was a two-sport varsity athlete. He then attended the University of Illinois College of Law ('23) on a full-tuition scholarship, graduating Cum Laude, in addition to being published. Matt joined the office as an I-DAG in August 2023 and is now a Deputy Attorney General with the Administrative and Regulatory Enforcement Litigation Section. He is licensed in Indiana and Connecticut.



**Regan Perrodin**Deputy Attorney General

Following her graduation from Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee, Regan attended Notre Dame Law School. During law school, Regan participated in multiple clinics at the Notre Dame Clinical Law Center, including the Economic Justice Clinic and the Tax Clinic. Upon graduation, Regan received a fellowship to work at Indiana Legal Services and provide legal assistance to low-income tenants facing various housing issues. Regan now serves as a Deputy Attorney General in the Licensing Enforcement Section.



**Stephen Reen**Deputy Attorney General

Stephen earned his J.D. from the IU McKinney School of Law in Fall 2022 while working as a paralegal for the OAG in Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy Litigation. At McKinney, he published his student note on international family law, served as an Executive Editor on his law review, joined the Moot Court Order of the Barristers, and led two prominent student organizations. He is now a Deputy Attorney General in Administrative and Regulatory Enforcement Litigation.



#### Litigation – Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy



#### **Heather Marie Crockett**

#### Section Chief of Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy

Heather Crockett is a Deputy Attorney General in the Office of the Indiana Attorney General. She began in March 2007 and currently serves as the Section Chief to the Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy Litigation Section. She earned her law degree from the Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville in 2006 and her B.S. in History from Georgia College and State University in 1999. She currently resides in central Indiana with her husband, 4 kids, cat and turtle.



#### **Daniel Bogatz**

Daniel received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from UCLA in 2010 and received his J.D. from Boston College Law School in 2013. Daniel is admitted to practice in Massachusetts and Indiana, and the US Federal District Court for the Northern District of Indiana. Daniel joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in 2020.



**Anna W. Elcesser**Deputy Attorney General

Anna Elcesser has been a Deputy Attorney General in the Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy Litigation Section since 2021. In 2020 Anna was admitted to the Indiana bar.



# **L. Leona Frank**Deputy Attorney General

L. Leona Frank is a bankruptcy litigator in ARB, focusing on multi-jurisdictional Chapter 11 cases and taxes. She was in private practice for 19 years and has extensive experience in complex commercial litigation matters, including bankruptcy, banking, environmental, real estate, mass tort defense, corporate governance, and contract disputes. Leona currently serves as the IN Chair of the Seventh Circuit Bar Association's Bankruptcy Law and Procedure Committee. Leona is also a trained mediator, economist, and proud Hoosier native.



## Litigation – Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy



**Kyle Halbleib**Deputy Attorney General

Kyle grew up in Carmel, Indiana and graduated from Indiana University with a BA in Political Science, with highest honors. He received his Juris Doctorate from the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. Kyle started with the Office of the Attorney General in January 2022 as an iDAG and is now a Deputy Attorney General for the Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy section.



Josh Hollingsworth
Deputy Attorney General

Josh Hollingsworth completed his undergrad degree from IU in 2013 and his law degree from IU McKinney in 2016. He became a DAG in 2017. He enjoys traveling with his wife Lauren, watching TV shows (The Wire is the greatest show of all time), reading, and playing with his cats Howard and Herbert.



**Dane Kurth**Deputy Attorney General

Dane joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in early 2023, as a Deputy Attorney General in the Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy Litigation Section. He came to this Office with fifteen years of litigation experience in criminal prosecution and private practice. Of note, Dane served the State of Indiana as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney with Marion County and Hamilton County



**Amanda Rose Lester**Deputy Attorney General

Amanda is a Deputy Attorney General in the Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy section at the Attorney General's Office. She has been practicing law since 2013. Amanda joined the Attorney General's Office in 2017. Before joining the office, Amanda was an associate attorney for a local bankruptcy law firm. When she's not working at the office, Amanda likes spending her free time reading, watching movies, baking, and spending time with her family.



#### Litigation – Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy



Marielle B. Riedle
Deputy Attorney General

Marielle Riedle graduated from the Indiana University Maurer School of Law in 2007 after earning her bachelor degree from Barnard College, Columbia University in 2004. Upon graduating from law school, she joined the Marion County Prosecutor's Office, where she has had extensive litigation and trial experience. In April 2019 she began her time at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General, continuing her role in litigation, in the Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy Division.



James Brian Steele Deputy Attorney General

Brian Steele joined the asset recovery and bankruptcy section in 2020. Mr. Steele assists state agencies in probate and property litigation.



**Shana D. Tesnar** Deputy Attorney General

Ms. Tesnar obtained her undergraduate degree from Indiana University, Bloomington, with a double major in English and political science. She received her law degree from the John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois.



**Laura Wagner**Deputy Attorney General

Laura is a native of the northern suburbs of Indianapolis and always wanted to be an attorney. She is a recent graduate of Saint Louis University where she served as the SBA Vice President of Philanthropy and was a member of the Jessup International Moot Court Team! Laura is the youngest of two sisters and is a proud cat mom and corgi aunt! In her free time to likes to travel, read, hang out with friends and family.



# Litigation – Asset Recovery & Bankruptcy



**Zachary E. Watson**Deputy Attorney General

Zac began practicing law in Jacksonville, Florida at the Jacksonville Area Legal Aid. In late 2013, Zac accepted a position with the Office of the Indiana Attorney General. He has held various positions within the Office of the Indiana Attorney General and handled a variety of different matters. He is currently a Deputy Attorney General with the Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy Litigation Section.



#### **Litigation – Government**



Adrienne N. Pope
Section Chief of Government Litigation

Adrienne was born and raised in Michigan. She lives downtown with her husband and two rescue dogs. In her free time, she enjoys touring National Parks and going to concerts.



**Alexander R. Carlisle**Assistant Section Chief of Government Litigation

Alex works in the Government Litigation Section, where he represents state agencies and officers in civil rights and employment claims before state and federal courts. Alex graduated cum laude from the IU McKinney School of Law in 2017. While in law school, he externed for the Indiana Supreme Court, clerked for the Johnson Superior Court, and was a member of the Indiana Law Review and named Order of the Barristers.



**Brandyn L. Arnold**Deputy Attorney General

Brandyn Arnold practices in the Government Litigation Section, where he represents the State of Indiana and its agencies and employees in a wide range of litigation. Brandyn previously was a member of the Office's Intensive Deputy Attorney General Program and a law clerk for the Appeals Division. During law school, Brandyn interned for the Honorable Richard L. Young of the Southern District of Indiana and the Domestic Violence Bureau of the Queens District Attorney's Office.



John Bignotti Deputy Attorney General

John Bignotti began working for the OAG in 2023. He works in the Government Litigation Section handling a wide range of cases including civil rights, prisoner litigation, and tort claims. He graduated magna cum laude from Indiana University Maurer School of Law and was a published associate and notes editor for the Indiana Law Review. While in law school, John clerked in Daviess County, Indiana as part of Indiana University's Rural Justice Initiative.



### **Litigation – Government**



#### **Breanne Chambers**

### **Deputy Attorney General**

Breanne is from Cleveland, Ohio. She graduated cum laude from Miami University, with bachelor's degrees in Political Science and Strategic Communications. She attended Indiana University Maurer School of Law, where she served on the Sherman Minton Advocacy Board and externed with Judge Mary Ellen Diekhoff in the Monroe County Circuit Court. Breanne is an Order of Barristers Award recipient and American Association for Justice Student Trial Advocacy Competition Semi-Finalist. She joined the OAG in 2022.



### **Abigail Davis**

### **Deputy Attorney General**

Abigail Davis is a Deputy Attorney General in the Government Litigation Section. She joined the Indiana Office of the Attorney General in 2023, after receiving her J.D. from Pepperdine Caruso School of Law and her Certificate of Dispute Resolution from the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution.



### **Stephanie Davis**

### **Deputy Attorney General**

Stephanie Davis joined the Office of the Attorney General in November of 2022 as a Deputy Attorney General in the Government Litigation Section. Stephanie graduated with her undergraduate degree from Valparaiso University in Business Management. She received her law degree from the University of Dayton School of Law.



## Jonathan Freije

### **Deputy Attorney General**

Jonathan Freije practices in the Government Litigation Section of the OAG, where he defends state agencies and employees in civil lawsuits. He graduated from IU McKinney School of Law in 2023. While in law school, Jonathan externed for the Indiana Supreme Court and the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana.



### **Litigation – Government**



Hannah Hulsey
Deputy Attorney General

Hannah graduated from the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2022 after earning her bachelor's degree from IUPUI in 2019. Hannah joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in 2023 to pursue her passion for public service. Hannah now practices in the Government Litigation Section, where she represents the State of Indiana and its agencies and employees in a wide range of litigation.



**Gustavo A. Jimenez** Deputy Attorney General

Gustavo is a litigator in the office's Government Litigation Section. He defends the state, its agencies, and its employees in lawsuits involving employment law claims, constitutional claims, and state law tort claims. Gustavo has proven himself a successful litigator with extensive experience at all stages of litigation, including successfully trying cases to verdict. Gustavo is originally from California but is now a proud Hoosier. Gustavo is licensed to practice in both Indiana and Illinois.



Joshua Khalili Deputy Attorney General

Josh Khalili was born and raised in Indiana, and proudly calls himself a Hoosier. Josh joined the Attorney General's Office during law school as a law clerk in the Government Litigation Section and has continued his legal career here by joining the Intensive Deputy Attorney General (iDAG) program. Prior to joining the Attorney General's Office, Josh clerked Judge Craig J. Bobay and Judge David J. Avery of the Allen County Courthouse and previously clerked at several firms in Indianapolis. In his free time, Josh enjoys golfing, watching the Green Bay Packers, and trying new food.



**Kate Meltzer**Deputy Attorney General

Kate serves in the Government Litigation Section, representing state agencies and officials in state and federal court. She previously worked in the Office's Asset Recovery and Bankruptcy Division as a paralegal throughout law school and at State Board of Accounts. Kate graduated from IU McKinney School of Law, where she was named to Order of the Barristers and received a best brief award through Indiana State Bar Association.



### **Litigation – Government**



Alexander Myers
Deputy Attorney General

Alex Myers is a Deputy Attorney General for the Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita. Alex has always been drawn towards public service and is excited to start his career litigating in courts across the Hoosier State. With a passion for litigation and trial strategy he is ready to represent both the great people, and the great State, of Indiana .



John Oosterhoff Deputy Attorney General

John started as a DAG with Government Litigation shortly after graduating from IU McKinney School of Law in 2022. John was a clerk for the Appeals division of the Indiana Attorney General's Office during law school, and has prior legal experience in Government Relations, Personal Injury, and HIPAA Compliance.



**David Price**Deputy Attorney General

David Price joined the office as an Intensive Deputy Attorney General in August of 2022. He began his higher education at Purdue University's West Lafayette campus, where he earned his Bachelor of Arts studying economics and philosophy. He then attended and earned his Juris Doctor from the Indiana University Maurer School of Law. His prior legal experience includes interning at the Clinton County Prosecutor's Office. David currently lives with his family in Carmel, Indiana.



**Erica L. Sawyer**Deputy Attorney General

Erica Sawyer joined the Office of the Attorney General in 2021. She is currently a litigator in the Government Litigation Section. She handles a variety of cases from Constitutional violations, prisoner litigation, and civil rights cases in State and Federal Courts. Prior to beginning her career in public service, Erica spent several years practicing criminal and appellate law and argued in front of the Indiana Supreme Court.



### **Litigation – Government**



Jimmy Sedam
Deputy Attorney General

Jimmy practices in the Government Litigation Section, representing the State of Indiana and its agencies and employee in a wide range of litigation matters in both State and Federal Courts. During law school, Jimmy was a legal writing assistant, named to Moot Court's Order of the Barristers and Assistant Chief Justice for Problem Writing & CLE, and was an extern at the Indiana Supreme Court. Prior to law school, Jimmy worked as a teacher and in the non-profit sector.



Jake Zurschmiede
Deputy Attorney General

Jake joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in May 2021 as a law clerk in the Real Estate Litigation section. After earning his JD from IU McKinney, where he served as an executive editor on the Indiana Health Law Review, Jake rejoined the office as a DAG in Government Litigation.



### Litigation - Real Estate



Thomas Bright
Section Chief of Real Estate Litigation

Tom grew up in Westfield, Indiana. During law school at the University of Iowa he worked at the US Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Iowa. He practiced in Dubuque, Iowa in estate administration, real estate, estate planning, and guardianships until he joined the Attorney General's office in 2023, He lives in Franklin with his wife, children, and cat.



**Domonic Sean Dreyer** Deputy Attorney General

Domonic is a native of Avon, Indiana. He holds degrees from IU in political science and business, and a JD from IU McKinney School of Law. During law school he participated in Dean's Tutorial Society, completed two corporate internships, earned a corporate and commercial law graduate certificate, and graduated cum laude. Domonic began working with the Attorney General's office in October of 2021. Domonic lives in Fountain Square with his wife, two dogs, and cat.



**Joshua Mireles**Deputy Attorney General

After graduating from Ave Maria School of Law in Naples, FL, Joshua Mireles joined the OAG as an iDAG in August of 2023. Before attending law school, Joshua earned a B.A. from Wyoming Catholic College and taught math at a charter school in central Texas. Joshua currently serves as a Deputy Attorney General in the Real Estate Section of the Litigation Division. He lives in central Indiana with his wife and two boys.



**Zachary Nicely**Deputy Attorney General

Zach is a native of Carmel, Indiana. He joined the Real Estate Litigation Section in October 2022 as a DAG. Before joining REL, Zach worked in the Advisory Section of the OAG as a Legal Process Administrator while attending law school. In his free time, Zach enjoys playing golf, being outdoors, and cheering on the Indiana Hoosiers.



## Litigation - Real Estate



Sam Peters
Deputy Attorney General

Sam is a Deputy Attorney General within the Real Estate Litigation team. Sam began his career with the Office of the Attorney General in 2022 after receiving his J.D. from the University of Dayton School of Law.



Jeffrey L. Simnick
Senior Deputy Attorney General

Mr. Simnick has extensive experience in litigation and mediation involving condemnation and other real estate matters for INDOT and DNR. He has been involved in civil cases in almost all of the 92 counties in the State of Indiana. He became a Certified Mediator and also serves as an Assistant Trainer for ICLEF. He is admitted to practice before the Indiana Court of Appeals, the Indiana Supreme Court, and the United States District Court.



#### **Medicaid Fraud Control Unit**



Jessica Krug

### Deputy Director of the Medicaid Control Fraud Unit

Jessica Krug joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in January 2012 and is currently the Deputy Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. She has served in both the Licensing Enforcement and Homeowner Protection Unit and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Jessica is assigned to criminal, civil, and administrative matters including cases regarding allegations of violations in the different healthcare professions. Prior to the OAG, Jessica worked as a Staff Attorney at the Indiana Department of Child Services. She is a graduate of Indiana University-Bloomington and Northeastern University School of Law.



Paul J. Schilling

#### Section Chief of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Paul is a Section Chief for Licensing Enforcement in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, where he litigates administrative cases against medical professionals and supervises the litigation team. Paul began his career with the Office of the Attorney General in 2011.



Hilary L. Brown

#### Deputy Attorney General

Hilary started with MFCU in November 2019. Prior to that she spent eight years working as a Deputy Prosecutor in the Marion County Child Support Division. Hilary attended law school at The Catholic University of America and is a graduate of the Communications Law Institute. She was a member of the law review, the National Telecommunications Moot Court team, and has a history of employment at a diverse range of organizations. Outside of the office, Hilary's priorities are her family and wildlife conservation.



Lawrence J. Carcare II
Deputy Attorney General

By recovering fraudulently obtained public funds, Lawrence has protected the interests of Hoosiers during his more than 20 years of service. In actions ranging from a Civil RICO against a corrupt city government to False Claims Act cases against companies that use kickbacks to improperly influence Medicaid providers, he protects the taxpayers' hard-earned dollars.



#### **Medicaid Fraud Control Unit**



Whitney Nicole Cooper
Deputy Attorney General

Whitney has been a Deputy Attorney General with the Office since 2016. Within the Indiana MFCU, Whitney assists in investigations and represents the Office in licensing disciplinary matters before various licensing boards. Whitney is a Hoosier native, a two-time IU graduate, and a Purdue Extension Master Gardener. Outside of work, Whitney spends her time playing with her dogs, gardening, and exploring the outdoors.



**Steven Hunt**Deputy Attorney General

Steve began his professional legal career as Deputy Prosecutor at the Vanderburgh County Prosecutors Office where he tried over 65 felony jury trials (OMVWI through Death Penalty Murder) in only 5 years. He joined the AG's office in 2003 to help lead the office in criminal and civil prosecutions of health care fraud and patient abuse in the MFCU. He's recovered over \$300 million in taxpayers dollars from fraud and successfully prosecuted offenders in over a dozen counties statewide.



**Jeremy Johnson**Deputy Attorney General

Jeremy began as a Deputy Attorney General with the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit in 2022, primarily handling civil enforcement



**Grainne L. Kao**Deputy Attorney General

Grainne Kao has been a Deputy Attorney General in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit since May 2019 where she focuses on criminal cases in both the investigation and adjudication stages. Grainne earned her undergraduate degree in Law and Society from Purdue University with minors in both History and Military Science. She then went on to earn her J.D. from Robert H. McKinney Law School in Indianapolis. Grainne served within the Indiana National Guard for 9 years.



#### **Medicaid Fraud Control Unit**



Fallon E. Lilly
Deputy Attorney General

Fallon joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in November 2021 as a civil DAG in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. She graduated from the IU McKinney Law School in 2019 and has previously worked as a Marion County deputy prosecutor.



**Marina Mollman**Deputy Attorney General

Marina Mollmann joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in September 2023 as a criminal DAG in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Prior to joining the OAG, Marina served as a Deputy Prosecutor at the Marion County Prosecutor's Office for four years and, the Hendricks County Prosecutor's Office for five years. She has experience in both civil and criminal matters.



**Maureen O'Donnell**Deputy Attorney General

In her role as a criminal litigation attorney for MFCU, Maureen handles cases involving Medicaid Fraud, patient abuse, and drug diversion. Prior to joining the OAG, Maureen gained significant trial experience through her work as a Deputy Prosecutor in both Hendricks and Marion Counties, handling major felony sex crimes and murder cases. Maureen is a lifelong Hoosier, who loves to play the piano and spend time with friends and family.



Natalie R. Stidd Deputy Attorney General

Natalie Stidd began as a Deputy Attorney General with the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit in March 2020. From October 2008 to June 2019, Natalie was a DAG, first with the Licensing Enforcement & Homeowner Protection Unit, where she had been a law clerk, then serving in Medical Licensing. Natalie briefly served as a Senior Staff Attorney with the Indiana Department of Correction prior to returning to the OAG.



#### **Solicitor General**



**Katelyn Doering**Deputy Attorney General

Katelyn Doering joined the Solicitor General Division in September 2023. She graduated cum laude from Notre Dame Law School in 2022, where she was on the editorial board of the Notre Dame Law Review. She has prior experience in both federal and state government. Before joining the OAG, Katelyn worked as an associate attorney at a law firm in Indianapolis, where she focused on civil litigation.

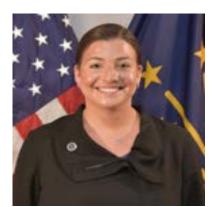


Melinda Rebecca Holmes
Deputy Attorney General

Melinda Holmes has been a Deputy Attorney General in the Solicitor General Division since August 2021. Before joining OAG, she served as a law clerk for the Honorable Michael S. Kanne on the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. She graduated magna cum laude from Notre Dame Law School where she was a managing senior editor on the Notre Dame Law Review and a research assistant for the Honorable Kenneth F. Ripple.



#### Outreach



# Abby Clarke

#### **Director of External Affairs**

Abby Clarke, a native of Fort Wayne Indiana, is the Director of Outreach for the Indiana Attorney General's Office. She graduated from Loyola University Chicago and has since devoted her career to public service. She meets with all levels of local and statewide government Officials and strives to inform her fellow Hoosiers about the Office with timely and consistent constituent service.



### **Teresa Ayers**

#### **Outreach Representative**

Teresa is an Outreach Representative serving Central Indiana. Teresa grew up in Carmel and currently serves on Carmel City Council representing the Central District. Teresa is also the Vice Chairman of the Hamilton County Republican Party. She attended Virginia Intermont College where she received her degree in Business Marketing. She played soccer and ran track and cross country while in college.



**John Cannon** 

#### Outreach Representative

John Cannon is a former City Councilmen and Former Mayor of the City of Portage. John has two dogs, Baxter and Oakley. John enjoys boating and fishing. John cherishes his family!



### **Paula Copenhaver**

#### **Outreach Representative**

Paula is the Northwest Central Outreach Representative and former Fountain County Clerk. While teaching others about the US Constitution for the last 10+ years, Paula frequently asked "If we don't know our rights, how can we defend them?" She enjoys handing out the pocket edition of the Indiana State Constitution educating constituents on the Office of the Attorney General. Paula has a passion to serve with a smile, has homeschooled her five children, and enjoys being a Nana.



#### Outreach



**Kim Harris**Outreach Representative

Kim Harris is the Southwest Outreach Representative. She works with constituents and community leaders in 27 of Indiana's southwest counties providing information about services available through the Attorney General's Office.



Janice McHenry
Outreach Representative

Deciding retirement was not for her, Janice McHenry joined Attorney General Todd Rokita's Outreach Team. Leaving her career in elementary education when elected to the Indianapolis City-County Council, she worked hard serving her constituents, volunteered in the community and encouraged others to get involved. Janice and her husband, Fred, enjoy many things, their favorite traveling both near and far. Working for the Attorney General is ideal, as she gets to serve the people in communities.