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Abigail E. Peoples,
*President of the
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Message from the President

A STRONGER BAR STARTS WITH ATTORNEY WELL-BEING AND SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Greensboro Bar Association's first member meeting of the year. We were fortunate to welcome Gray Wilson, who introduced us to an exciting North Carolina Bar Foundation civic-education initiative. Through [ExploreNCCourts.org](https://exploreNCCourts.org) and related resources, the Foundation is helping North Carolina middle school students understand our state's courts, the three branches of government, and the role of the judiciary through an interactive timeline, animated explainers, and classroom-ready lesson plans. Gray's presentation was an inspiring reminder that lawyers can strengthen public confidence in the justice system by helping the next generation understand it.

As I shared at that meeting, one of my priorities this year is bringing attention to and resources for attorney mental health and well-being. An important part of that conversation is finding sustainable ways to bring pro bono service into our practices. Giving our time and skills to neighbors who need legal help can reconnect us with purpose, deepen our ties to the community, and add meaning to demanding professional lives.

At our next member meeting, Kim Bart Millikan, Senior Director of the NC Bar Foundation, and Allison Constance, Director of Pro Bono Programs at Legal Aid of NC, will speak with us about this very subject: how pro bono engagement can support both our community and our own sense of well-being. I hope you will join us for a practical and candid discussion about making service a meaningful, manageable part of practice.

What New Research Tells Us

Continuing our discussion of attorney mental health and well-being, the ABA's recently released [nationwide study of lawyer mental health and burnout](#)—the largest of its kind, drawing on responses from approximately 37,000 actively licensed lawyers—found that about one in five respondents met thresholds for moderate-to-extremely severe depression, anxiety, or stress. Nearly half screened positive for high burnout, more than two in five screened positive for risky alcohol use under standard clinical thresholds, and confidentiality and career concerns were among the most commonly cited barriers to seeking help. The findings underscore that distress is widespread, closely connected to occupational demands and work-family conflict, and deserving of profession-wide attention rather than silence.

Interestingly, the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession's national report, [Mental Wellbeing in the Legal Profession: The Unique Challenges of Women Lawyers and a Path Forward](#), examined responses from 2,915 lawyers and found that women reported greater stress across many areas, including financial strain, mental wellness, sleep disruption, and family relationships. The report also describes how bias, workplace pressures, caregiving demands, and systemic barriers can compound these challenges, particularly across

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October 1	GBA Pro Bono Award Nominations Due
October 6	YLS Board Meeting, 12:00 PM, Self-Help Building
October 8	Swearing-in Ceremony, 3:00 PM, Old Guilford County Courthouse
October 14	GBA Board Meeting, 4:00 PM, Self-Help Building
October 15	GBA Member Lunch, 12:30 PM, Greensboro Country Club REGISTER HERE
October 20	Submission Deadline for November Issue
October 28	Special Election (District Court Judge), 3:30 PM, Kenneth F. Kahn School of Law

November 1	GBA Centennial Award Nominations Due
November 3	YLS Board Meeting, 12:00 PM, Self-Help Building
November 12	GBA Board Meeting, 4:00 PM, Self-Help Building
November 12	Real Property Section, 5:30 PM, Tuggle Duggins
November 13	Past President's Tea, 11:00 AM, Tuggle Duggins
November 19	GBA Member Lunch, 12:30 PM, Greensboro Country Club
November 20	Submission Deadline for December Issue

[GBA Online Calendar of Event](#)



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SAVE THE DATE!

All Past Presidents of the GBA & GBA Young Lawyers Section are formally invited to:

GBA's First Past President's Tea
November 13, 2026. 11:00AM – 1:00 PM.

Formal invitations to come.



Wellness Corner

BarCARES is a confidential, short-term intervention program provided cost-free to members of the 24th Judicial District Bar and other participating judicial district bars, voluntary bar associations and law schools. If you would like additional information about the program and/or its availability in your area, please contact the BarCARES coordinator at 919.929.1227 or 1.800.640.0735 or click on the icon below.

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Young Lawyers Section: Connections



An Update from the Young Lawyers Section

The Young Lawyers Section has been off to a swift start! On September 1, 2026, the YLS held its monthly executive board meeting to revisit its goals for the year and its commitment to providing various programming, service-related, and social opportunities for its members. Be on the lookout for more exciting information about how YLS is broadening its impact!

If you are an attorney under forty years of age or have been practicing for less than five years, we would love to connect with you! If you have questions about YLS or how to get involved, please reach out to any board member or contact us at younglawyerssection@greensborobar.org.

YLS is on Instagram!

We are excited to announce that YLS has a new home on Instagram. Please follow us [@gbayounglawyerssection](https://www.instagram.com/gbayounglawyerssection) for updates, news, and information about what is going on and how you can get involved.

YLS Partners with Ward Black Law: Reading Connections Professional Clothing Drive

YLS Partnered with Ward Black Law to support Reading Connections by holding a professional clothing drive from **September 14th through September 21st**. Thank you to all who donated to make this partnership a success, and provide professional attire for those who are in need. Please follow and continue to support Reading Connections, a local nonprofit working to improve literacy and promoting educational equity for people of all ages!

YLS Joins Forces with Elon Law for 1L Networking Workshop

On September 23, 2026, YLS joined forces with Elon Law to participate in a 1L Networking Workshop. Young lawyers had the opportunity to meet the new students, and teach them about the opportunities that networking can provide, as well as the “Dos” and “Dont’s” of networking. This event allowed the 1Ls to connect with local legal professionals, while allowing YLS to explain the importance of giving back to the local legal community, and begin the connections that will give back to the Greensboro Bar Association for years to come!

YLS Welcomes New Bar Year at The Abbey Taphouse

On September 30, 2026, the YLS kicked off the 2026–2027 bar year with its annual “Kick-Off” event at The Abbey Taphouse, bringing together newly admitted attorneys and fellow legal professionals for an evening of networking and community building. The event offered attendees a chance to connect, learn about upcoming YLS initiatives, and get involved in the year ahead. With strong attendance and a welcoming atmosphere, the kick-off was a great success and set the tone for an exciting year of programming and engagement.

Newly Licensed Attorneys to Take Oath at Fall Ceremony

Each year, the Young Lawyers Section sponsors a Fall Swearing-In Ceremony for the admission of newly licensed attorneys to the state and federal courts. This year, the Young Lawyers Section is hosting its Fall Swearing-In Ceremony on **Thursday, October 8, 2026**, at 3:00 p.m.

The ceremony will be held in the Board Chambers Room on the 2nd floor of the Old Guilford County Courthouse, located at 301 W. Market St., Greensboro, NC 27401.

We welcome the support and attendance of GBA members at the swearing-in ceremony to support our newly licensed attorneys. If you are a newly licensed attorney, or you know a newly licensed attorney that may want to participate, please email [Casey Robinson](mailto:Casey.Robinson@greensborobar.org) for application materials. Applications are due by **October 3, 2026**.

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LAWYERS ARE USING AI – NOW COMES THE HARD PART

For the past few years, when I talked with lawyers about artificial intelligence, the conversation usually started with some version of the same question, “Should lawyers really be using this?”

In 2026, that conversation has changed.

Increasingly, lawyers aren’t asking whether they should use AI. They are already using it. Now they are asking better - and harder - questions: What information can I safely put into an AI tool? How do I know whether a product is secure? Can I trust the research it produces? Do I need an AI policy for my firm? Should I tell my clients I’m using it? And if AI lets me complete in 20 minutes something that once took two hours, how do I bill for that work?

In other words, AI has moved from being an interesting technology topic to being a law practice management issue.

Lawyers Are Already Using It

The numbers tell part of the story. Clio’s 2026 research reports that 71% of solo practitioners and 75% of small firms are now using AI to complete legal work. Smaller firms tend to use AI more selectively than larger organizations, often relying on general-purpose products such as ChatGPT or AI-enabled legal research tools rather than implementing AI throughout the entire firm.

That makes sense. A solo or small firm lawyer often wears many hats. On any given day, you may be lawyer, researcher, writer, marketer, HR director, intake coordinator and office manager. AI can help with many of those functions from summarizing and drafting to client communications, scheduling, intake and administrative work.

We are seeing something similar among North Carolina lawyers.

During an AI webinar Lawyers Mutual hosted this spring, we polled 200 insured lawyers participating in the program. About 70% reported using AI in their legal work at least occasionally, while roughly 30% said they weren’t using it at all. ChatGPT was by far the most commonly identified tool,

followed by Microsoft Copilot, with lawyers also reporting use of Gemini, Claude, Clio, Lexis+ AI and other products.

Keep in mind, this was not a scientific survey. These lawyers had voluntarily signed up for an AI webinar, so they were presumably more interested in AI than the average lawyer. Still, the results were remarkably consistent with the national data.

And the interest is unmistakable. Our typical Lawyers Mutual webinars averaged about 40 attendees. Our AI webinars this year have averaged approximately 200 attendees. Of the 50 live CLE programs we offered in 2026, more than one-third were on the topic of AI.

The Bigger Concern: Adoption Is Outpacing Governance

Here is where I think law firms need to pay particular attention.

Lawyers are experimenting with AI much faster than many firms are developing rules for using it.

Our webinar poll found that many respondents either had no formal AI policy or were operating with informal guidance. Few had changed their billing policies in response to AI, and only a minority reported advising clients about the risks associated with entering confidential information into an AI platform.

That gap between AI adoption and AI governance may be one of the most important risk-management issues facing firms right now.

The North Carolina State Bar has already given lawyers a framework. In 2024 Formal Ethics Opinion 1, the State Bar made clear that lawyers may use generative AI. But our traditional professional responsibilities don’t disappear simply because technology is doing some of the work.

We still have obligations involving competence and confidentiality. We still have to supervise work performed on behalf of our clients. And we still have to independently review the work product before relying on it.

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GBA ACCEPTING CENTENNIAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

Please consider nominating a colleague for the Centennial Award this year.

The North Carolina Bar Association co-sponsors the Centennial Award with the Greensboro Bar Association to recognize a GBA member for outstanding service which benefits our local community. Qualifying service includes elected and/or appointed service to local government; civic involvement on boards of community agencies; involvement in public service projects; and volunteer involvement with schools, churches, or other nonprofit organizations.

Recent awardees include Judge Teresa Vicent, Jim Slaughter, Gerald Walden, Mike Fox, Erik Albright, and Kimberly Gatling.

You may review a complete list of past recipients [HERE](#).

Nominations for the Centennial Award are due on **November 1, 2026**, and can be submitted at <https://form.jotform.com/262165305072147>.

The Centennial Award will be presented at the January GBA meeting.

Please contact Awards Committee Co-chair [Manisha Patel](#) with questions.

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different demographic experiences. Its central message is that lasting improvement cannot rest solely on individual resilience; legal organizations must address workload, culture, confidentiality, leadership accountability, and the stigma associated with seeking support.

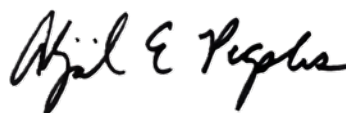
Making Room for Honest Conversation

These are challenges many lawyers experience, yet often too few feel comfortable discussing them. Our profession often rewards composure, self-reliance, and endurance; those strengths can serve us well, but they can also make it harder to acknowledge when we are struggling. I want the Greensboro Bar Association to create space—in our programs, our conversations, and our culture—for honest discussion without judgment. We should be a community where asking for help is treated as a sign of sound judgment, where colleagues know they are not alone, and where people can be connected promptly and confidentially with appropriate support.

For those who would like to read the full research, the nationwide study, *When Demands Equal Distress: An Updated Understanding of Lawyer Mental Health and Well-being*, is available at [https://www.sciencedirect.com/](https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0165032726013327)

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This is a critical issue for lawyers, and it is essential that we talk about it and connect people with the help they need. Next month, I will share more about the North Carolina Lawyer Assistance Program and the NC BarCARES program. In the meantime, if you need help—or if you are concerned about a colleague—please reach out to me. I will help connect you with available resources.



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President, Greensboro Bar Association
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NEW MEMBERS

Approved on September 9, 2026

Margaret Hay
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Category: Newly Licensed
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Misha Carter

YLS Member Spotlight: Misha Carter, The Carter Law Firm

Attorney Misha Carter is the founder of The Carter Law Firm, representing clients across North and South Carolina in personal injury and employment law matters.

A Greensboro native, Misha graduated from the University of

North Carolina at Greensboro and earned her Juris Doctor from Elon University School of Law. Her personal injury practice includes motor vehicle accidents, catastrophic injuries, and wrongful death claims.

Misha also represents employees in workplace matters involving discrimination, sexual harassment, retaliation, wrongful termination, and other employment disputes.

Misha founded The Carter Law Firm to provide personalized, strategic representation while ensuring every client feels heard, informed, and valued throughout the legal process.

Outside of the office, Misha enjoys spending time on the golf course and staying actively involved in the local legal community. She is an active member of the Greensboro Bar Association, where she serves as Co-Chair of the Mentorship Committee and helps support connections and professional development within the legal community.

Connect with YLS:

To provide feedback & suggestions for future events/programming, please email the Young Lawyers Section at younglawyerssection@greensborobar.org.

The Young Lawyers Section would like to celebrate the personal milestones and professional accomplishments of its members. [Email YLS](#) to share achievements that you would like celebrated on the [YLS Facebook page](#).

ARCHIE SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDS DISSERTATION

May 6, 2026, marked a historic and deeply personal milestone for Judge Larry L. Archie as he successfully defended his dissertation titled *“Applying a Black Feminist Theory to Challenge the Paradigm of Power and Patriarchy in the Juvenile Justice Court System.”* With this achievement, Dr. Archie has officially earned his Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Studies with a concentration in Cultural Foundations from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro School of Education. The dissertation defense represented not only the culmination of years of academic scholarship, but also a reflection of his lifelong commitment to justice, advocacy, and the protection of marginalized communities—particularly Black mothers and families impacted by the juvenile justice system.



Judge Larry L. Archie

DUAL APPOINTMENTS FOR JASON HICKS



Jason Hicks

Jason F. Hicks, a deputy county attorney for Guilford County, has been appointed to be the Vice-Chair of the North Carolina Bar Association’s Juvenile Justice & Children’s Rights Section.

The section provides networking for attorneys and advocacy organizations interested in protecting the rights of juveniles in all areas of law affecting children,

including domestic, juvenile court, and education matters. The section includes attorneys and child advocates across disciplines and sectors, united to advance positive youth

development through excellence in direct representation of North Carolina youth and the promotion of legislation, policy, programs, and systems that support youth and families.

He has also been reappointed to serve as the Chief Legal Advisor for the Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity, International. This is the third biennium he has been selected to serve in this position.

Phi Alpha Delta is the world’s preeminent law fraternity because of their dedication to service: service to the student, the school, the profession, and the community. It has over 330,000 members worldwide. Individuals can join at the pre-law, law, and alumni levels. There are over 650 chapters. For more information see <https://www.pad.org/>.



That means the question shouldn't simply be, "Can I use ChatGPT for this?"

A better set of questions might be: What happens to the information I enter? Does the vendor retain it? Is it used to train the model? Have I verified the output? Does someone else in my office know enough to recognize when AI has produced a convincing but incorrect answer?

And perhaps most importantly - Am I still exercising my own professional judgment?

Start With the Problem, Not the AI

One of the mistakes I think firms can make is beginning with the technology - We need to start using AI. What should we buy?

Try turning that around.

Instead ask what problem in our firm are we trying to solve?

Maybe lawyers are spending too much time drafting routine correspondence. Maybe intake is inefficient. Perhaps meetings aren't being documented consistently. Maybe lawyers struggle to turn their notes into follow-up tasks. Or perhaps you want a better first draft of marketing content, policies or internal communications.

Those are good places to explore whether AI can improve an existing workflow.

At Lawyers Mutual, that thinking contributed to our first partnership with an AI company, Querious AI. Querious is a confidential AI-powered note-taking tool designed specifically for lawyers. Instead of simply generating legal work product, it addresses a familiar law-practice problem - documenting client conversations and identifying the tasks that need to happen afterward.

That is the kind of AI use I find particularly interesting from a risk-management perspective. Many malpractice problems don't begin because a lawyer doesn't know the law. They begin with a communication breakdown, inadequate documentation, or something that didn't get followed up on.

AI that helps us build better processes around those problems may ultimately be just as valuable as AI that can draft a brief.

AI Is Changing Client Expectations

There is another change coming that lawyers shouldn't overlook.

If AI allows us to accomplish in minutes what once took hours, clients are eventually going to ask why they should continue paying for that work in the same way.

According to Thomson Reuters January 2026 Future of Professionals Report, 71% of in-house legal professionals expect outside law firms to change their commercial models as AI use increases, while only 28% of law firms reported changing their pricing structures in response to AI.

For solo and small firms, that could create opportunities as well as challenges. Greater efficiency may make flat fees, value pricing and other alternative fee arrangements more attractive. A small firm that thoughtfully incorporates AI may also be able to handle more work without immediately adding personnel.

But efficiency doesn't eliminate the lawyer's value. If anything, AI may make judgment, experience, strategy, empathy and trusted advice even more important.

Clients aren't simply paying us to produce words on a page. They are paying us to understand their problem and help them find a solution.

And AI Isn't Just Changing Lawyers

This summer while attending the various bar association summer conferences, an AI development many conference attendees were discussing is the use of AI from self-represented litigants.

Generative AI can produce something that looks remarkably like a legal pleading, motion or brief, even when the document contains nonexistent cases, incorrect legal propositions or arguments the person submitting it doesn't fully understand.

This creates a tension that lawyers and judges are forced to deal with. AI potentially improves access to legal information and helps people articulate legitimate claims. At the same time, it can dramatically increase the volume and apparent sophistication of material that courts and opposing lawyers must evaluate.

Courts are beginning to respond. Federal and state courts in North Carolina have started adopting orders addressing AI-assisted research and drafting while emphasizing that the person submitting the document remains responsible for its factual and legal accuracy.

This is another reason every lawyer needs at least a working understanding of generative AI, even a lawyer who has personally decided not to use it.

Your clients may be using it. Your employees may be using it. Opposing parties may be using it. And the person who walks into your office for a consultation may arrive with 30 pages of AI-generated "legal research" already in hand. Or they may plan to leave your office and feed their privileged, confidential work product into an AI tool for a second opinion.

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Where Do We Go From Here?

I don't think the most useful advice for lawyers is simply "use AI" or "don't use AI."

Instead, we need to become competent, informed and disciplined users of AI.

This means understanding confidentiality and cybersecurity. It means vetting vendors rather than simply signing up for the latest tool. It means having policies for employees and training them on those policies. It means verifying AI-generated work rather than assuming that a polished answer is a correct answer. It means thinking about client communication, billing and engagement letters. And throughout all of it, it means preserving independent professional judgment.

The AI conversation is going to continue to move quickly. The specific products we are talking about today may not even be the products we're talking about two years from now.

But the fundamental risk-management principles aren't new at all.

Protect your client's information. Know the tools you use. Supervise the people, and technology, working on your client's matter. Check your work. Communicate with your client. Charge reasonable fees. And exercise professional judgment.

AI may be changing how we practice law.

It hasn't changed what it means to be a lawyer.

Camille Stell is the Vice President of Risk & Practice Management for Lawyers Mutual and the co-author of the book, RESPECT – An Insight to Attorney Compensation Plans available from Amazon. Continue this conversation by contacting Camille at camille@lawyersmutualnc.com or 800.662.8843.

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Elementary School Project - Arranges a program or project for the benefit of students to enhance interest in learning; coordinates the elementary book drive where students are gifted a book at the holidays.

History & Archives - Conducts interviews with senior members of the Association; preserves GBA history and records.

Holiday Party - Decides on venue, menus, prizes and entertainment for the annual holiday party.

Legal Aid Fundraiser - Identifies a fundraiser project to benefit Legal Aid of NC, and organizes the event.

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Mentoring - Plans networking activities that pair newly licensed and veteran attorneys.

Newsletter/Print & Social Media - Edits the monthly newsletter; submits press releases.

Nominating - Presents a slate of candidates for new officers and directors for the upcoming year, to be presented to the Executive Committee in March, published in the newsletter, and voted on at the April Annual Meeting of the Association.

Pro Bono - Publicizes pro bono opportunities to the membership; recognizes Herb Falk Society inductees; works with Legal Aid on pro bono projects.

Scholarships (Elon Law) - Evaluates applicants for eligibility and worthiness, assessing achievements, academic record, and letters of recommendation in order to identify the most deserving applicant(s).

Summer Law Connect - Plans summer mixers for members and law students with placements at law firms, public employers and corporate legal departments located in Guilford County.

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