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Colorado Women's Bar Association Announces 2014-2015 Board Leadership

DENVER (July 14, 2014) — The [Colorado Women's Bar Association](#) (CWBA), a nonprofit organization focused on advancing and promoting women in the legal profession and the welfare of all women in Colorado, announces its 2014-2015 Board Leadership.

The CWBA 2014-2015 President is **Alison E. Zinn** of Denver who began her one-year term on May 17, 2014. She joined the CWBA Board of Directors in 2009 and is also a member of the Colorado and Denver Bar Associations.

Alison Zinn is a Senior Associate Attorney at Wade Ash Woods Hill & Farley, P.C. in Denver where she focuses on litigation involving wills, trusts, and probate fiduciaries. Her practice also includes guardian ad litem court appointments as well as contested and uncontested guardianship and conservatorship proceedings for the elderly, disabled, and children.

Named a Super Lawyers Rising Star in 2013 and 2014, Zinn was also a 2013 finalist for the Gary McPherson Outstanding Young Lawyer Award from the Colorado Bar Association. She earned her undergraduate degree from University of Colorado, Boulder and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law.

Through personal and professional philanthropic efforts, Zinn has been involved with Colorado Legal Services, Dressed For Success, Family Star, The Gathering Place, Habitat For Humanity, Komen Foundation, Denver and Boulder SafeHouses and Project Safeguard. She was featured in *5280 Magazine* in December 2013 for her significant leadership and service contributions in Colorado.

Zinn succeeds **Shannon Wells Stevenson** who remains on the board as Immediate Past President. Stevenson is a partner in the commercial litigation group of Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP, where she focuses on state and federal appeals, as well as natural resources and construction litigation.

President-Elect for 2015-2016 is **Jessica Brown**, a partner at Gibson Dunn specializing in employment law, electronic discovery, and class action litigation. Brown has been ranked by Chambers USA for 10 consecutive years as one of "America's Leading Lawyers for Labor & Employment." She was named by the *Denver Business Journal* as one of Denver's "Forty Under 40" and was a finalist for the 2013 "Outstanding Women in Business" award. Brown is Chair of the Legal Aid Foundation Board and a frequent author and lecturer on employment law and women's issues. She serves on the Diversity and Professional Development Committees at Gibson Dunn and is also a Colorado Women's Bar Association Foundation Board Member.

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Other CWBA Executive Committee Members for 2014-2015 include the following:

- **Vice President: Vicki Johnson**, Of Counsel at Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP specializing in employee benefits.
- **Secretary: Wendy Weigler**, founding partner of Lansky, Weigler & Porter, PC, a Denver law firm focusing on the representation of condominium communities and homeowners associations.
- **Treasurer: Sheri L. Betzer**, licensed CPA and Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) and partner in Betzer Call Lausten & Schwartz, LLP which offers services in all areas of forensic accounting.
- **Historian: Patricia M. Jarzowski**, CWBA Past President 2012-2013 and lead attorney for The Law Office of Patricia M. Jarzowski, PC, a Denver law firm focused on helping people seriously injured or killed in motor vehicle collisions, premises liability claims, aviation disasters, defective products and other injury and wrongful death cases.

**ADVANCING WOMEN AS LEADERS IN THE LAW –
ABOUT THE COLORADO WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION**

The Colorado Women's Bar Association (CWBA) is a nonprofit organization focused on advancing and promoting the welfare of all women in Colorado since 1978. Dedicated to advancing women as leaders in the law, CWBA brings together lawyers and legal professionals from all levels of experience for networking events, professional education, an annual convention and community service projects focused on helping women help themselves. With nearly 800 members, CWBA is the largest specialty bar association in Colorado and is one of the biggest and most influential women's bar associations in the country. To learn more, visit www.cwba.org.

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PHOTO ATTACHED: Alison E. Zinn, CWBA President 2014-2015

