

Melissa Panzer is a new addition to the Milwaukee Justice Center team. She is taking on the role of part-time Attorney Supervisor, who will help manage supervision of the various MJC clinics, as well as assist with volunteer recruitment, training, and Mobile Legal Clinic duties.

Melissa is a native of Southern California, where she attended undergrad at the University of California - Irvine. However, she started her move to the Midwest with law school, where she attended the University of Iowa.

"I chose to go to the University of Iowa College of Law, in part, because of their reputation as a really good school for public interest law," Melissa said. "So, basically, I went to law school hoping to work at a

place just like the MJC!

She says her fiancé, also an attorney, was offered a job at a firm in Milwaukee, and that's what brought them here.

"I worked for Legal Action of Wisconsin as a legal aid attorney before coming to the MJC," Melissa said. "Now, I am loving working for the MJC because I feel like, as an attorney with individual clients, you can get bogged down in the court process, but working here allows me to help many, many people everyday and hopefully provide them some guidance and assistance with their important life needs." ●

MJC Welcomes Melissa Panzer as New, Part-Time Attorney Supervisor



OUR MISSION:

The Milwaukee Justice Center is a collaborative endeavor between Milwaukee County, the Milwaukee Bar Association, and Marquette University Law School. The MJC provides services to self-represented litigants with civil court matters. Self-represented individuals have a fundamental right to access the justice system even if they cannot afford an attorney, or do not qualify for legal aid.

Upcoming Events

MJC Mobile Legal Clinic

Saturday, September 26, 2015 - 10:00am-2:00pm
Journey House
2100 W. Scott St., Milwaukee

10th Annual Fatherhood Summit

Friday, October 16; Saturday, October 17, 2015
9:00am-12:00pm
Destiny Youth Plaza
7220 N 76th St., Milwaukee

7th Annual Pro Bono Cocktail Reception

Thursday, October 29, 2015 - 5:30pm
Milwaukee Bar Association
424 E Wells St., Milwaukee

MBA Law & Technology Conference

Friday, November 20, 2015 - 7:30am
Italian Community Center
631 E Chicago St., Milwaukee

Chip Timing Returns to Mark Another Successful MJC5k Run for Justice

Another successful running of the Milwaukee Justice Center MJC5k Run for Justice happened this June. Great turnout, great weather, and the return of chip-timing all marked out Fifth Annual event.

Between participants and volunteers, nearly 200 people turned out at the event on Wednesday, June 17, and more than \$6,700 dollars were raised.

Thanks to efforts by new participants on the MJC5k Run Committee, we had the biggest gift bag for participants in the Run for Justice's history! We also had the opportunity to recognize some of the MJC's "Pace Setters,"

including Atty. David Karp (Karp Law Offices) for his help in championing the addition of family law advice at the MJC; Leticia Morales, the Marquette student who initiated family forms assistance at the MVLC clinic at the United Community Center on Wednesday evenings; and Matt Ackmann, the Marquette law student who helped the MJC develop processes for e-filing divorce cases.

Additional appreciation goes to the Hon. Carl Ashley (pictured bottom right) who took over Master of Ceremonies duties for the first time this year.

Thanks for a great run, and see you next year! ●

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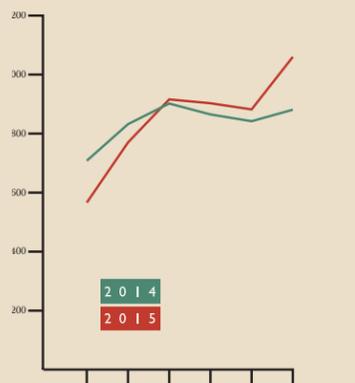
ADDITIONAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THIS EVENT

Be Blessed Wellness	Milwaukee Bar Association	Sobelman's
Big Bay Brewing Co.	Milwaukee County Parks	SPIRE Fitness
Classy Girl Cupcakes	The Mission River Band	Supermercado El Rey
Evolution Gastro Pong	Performance Running	Usinger's Famous Sausage
Ian's Pizza	Pizza Shuttle	Whole Foods Market
	Quantum LS	



MJC5K at a Glance

Temp: 68°
Runners: 155
Volunteers: 35
Sponsors: 27
\$ Raised: \$6,712



Q2 2015 at a Glance...
Clients Seen
Q2 2015: 2,845
vs. 2014: +9.9%
YTD: +1.3%
vs. Hist. Avg: +24.4%

The Milwaukee Justice Center had one of its most successful Spring Quarters in its history, helping 2,845 individuals in our various clinics. We helped only four fewer people than our record-setting 2012 year. The biggest gains came from a strong June, where we helped 1,060 individuals, a full 20.3% jump over June of 2014. This success has come as a result of a near embarrassment of riches, in terms of the number and quality of volunteers we've had over these months. Thanks to all who made this possible! ●

Tip of the Scale: Changes to Chapter 128

One of the last actions by the Hon. Jeffrey Kremers as Chief Judge of District 1 (Milwaukee County) courts was update the forms and procedures for Chapter 128 (Amortization of Debt) filings.

Under Chief Judge Directive 15-12, new forms

for Chapter 128 were developed, with the goal of helping *pro se* filers more accurately capture the number and types of debts involved in this procedure.

The old forms (CV5 through CV10) are no longer being accepted. You can find the full slate of new forms at the Milwaukee

County Clerk of Circuit Court-Civil page, at www.mkecourts.org/civil.htm.

The MJC has also updated its *pro se* help guide for Chapter 128. You can find our packet which includes the forms and guide at www.MilwaukeeJusticeCenter.org. ●

Volunteer Spotlight: Our PILS Fellows

L-R: Michael Farley, Samantha Feak, Angela Shin, Nicholis Schroeder



Every summer, the Milwaukee Justice Center selects a group of Marquette University Law School students to be nearly full-time members of the MJC staff, and they get to help our regular slate of clients, as well as take on specialized projects that are aimed to help the MJC grow. This year, we were blessed with a bumper crop, and we'd like to tell you about them.

Michael Farley
Indianapolis, Indiana

Michael is an MULS 2L, and brand new to the MJC this summer. He elected to join our team out of an interest in family law. In

addition to family law, Michael was helpful with clinic intake.

When not in class, Michael can either be found pounding the paddles at table tennis, or working security at Miller Park.

Samantha "Sam" Feak
Sagola, Michigan

Sam (or, "The Other Sam," as she became known), is an MULS 2L, who has been recognized as an "All-American Mediator" and 3-time "Outstanding Attorney" by the American Mock Trial Association.

Sam helped assemble a "lawyer for a day" program, along with Quarles & Brady and the Hon. Richard

Sankovitz.

When not being "outstanding" at the MJC, she coaches UWM's mock trial team, and can be found running with her dog.

Angela Shin
Glenview, Illinois

Angela is an MULS 2L who originally started volunteering at the MJC during the spring semester, and signed up for the PILS program at the MJC to continue building on her experience. She is also fluent in Korean, and an avid golfer and dancer.

Angela played Division-I women's golf for the University of Illinois - Chicago Flames, and is

currently a member of the professional Chicago Onyx Dance Alliance (C.O.D.A.). With C.O.D.A, she will be competing in the World of Dance finals in Los Angeles.

Nicholis "Nic" Schroeder
Madison, Wisconsin

Nic is our final MULS 2L, and started as an MJC volunteer in his 1L year. He enjoyed working with family law issues, and that's why he signed on for the summer.

Nic is also the adventurer of the group, having worked as a firefighter, played rugby internationally, and being a world traveler. He spent a portion of this summer traveling in Europe. ●

MJC Team Continues to Grow, Adds Nkaujsua Xiong to the Front Desk

Nkaujsua Xiong is the newest addition to the MJC team. She will serve as our front-line information officer at our counter, as well as answer calls from clients over the phone seeking to set appointments for part 2

UWM, focusing her Social Work degree on families and domestic violence, she worked as an Operations Coordinator for the Ramsey County Domestic Violence Intervention Project in St. Paul, Minnesota.

“It was a rewarding experience to be able to help the victims by providing advocacy, legal aid, and see them start a new chapter,” Nkaujsua said. “Some of the procedures that I wanted to learn more about when I was working in domestic violence was family law, because many of the victims had to go through the process of divorce and child placement.”

So far, she says her experience at the Milwaukee Justice Center has been great, and enjoys working with the MJC staff members.

“My passion is being able to help people to obtain the resources or information they need,” Nkaujsua said. “I want to help people facing crisis get what they need to make it through those difficult times.”

divorce help. Additionally, with her ability to speak Hmong, she adds to our ability to assist clients who make up our second largest non-English-speaking clientele, after Spanish speakers.

Nkaujsua (pronounced GO'-shoo-ah) isn't new to the public service legal field. After graduating from

Family Law Forms Assistance:

Monday - Wednesday
8:30am - 12:00pm
1:00pm - 4:00pm

Thursday - Friday
8:30am - 12:00pm

Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic at the MJC Clinic Hours:

Thursday - Friday
Sign in at 1:30pm

Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic Family Law Advice Clinic Hours:

Monday - Wednesday
Sign in at 1:00pm

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