



# Idaho State Judiciary E-News

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## New Judge Story: Ada County Magistrate Judge Laurie Fortier

*No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. Eleanor Roosevelt*  
*Anything's possible if you have enough nerve. J.K. Rowling*  
*It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you don't stop. Confucius.*  
*The only way to do great work is to love what you do. Steve Jobs.*

With quotes to live by like these, it is no wonder that Judge Laurie Fortier, the new Magistrate Judge in Ada County, has had an exciting and interesting journey to the bench of the Fourth Judicial District.

Raised in Coeur d'Alene with a younger sister and extended family in Payette, Judge Fortier commuted 40+ miles each way to attend Gonzaga Prep in Spokane, Washington for high school. She attended the University of Idaho where she received a Bachelor's of Science-Business in Accounting. It was her sorority advisor and her Business Law professor who encouraged Judge Fortier to attend law school.

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## Human Resources News

### **Open enrollment is April 28, 2014 thru May 16, 2014**

[Click here for the memo](#) which provides detailed information from the Office of Group Insurance about the following items:

Open Enrollment Deadlines	Premium Increases
Plan Enhancements	<a href="#">thriveidaho</a>
Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA)	Dependent Eligibility Verification

### Employee Self-Service (ESS) Tip

Ever wonder how you get back to the "main" screen in ESS? Look at the top of the screen and click on "My Information." You may have noticed that it is in **BOLD**. Clicking "My Information" will take you back to the main screen in ESS. Thank of it as your "home" button.



### Wellness News

Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> is **National Prescription Drug Take Back Day**. If you have unused or old prescription drugs tucked away in closets, drawers, or cabinets, this is your day! National Take Back Day is a great opportunity to *safely* dispose of unused prescription drugs. Getting prescription drugs out of circulation protects us, our children, our pets, and the environment. Remember to check with your aging relatives and friends. To search for **Collection Sites** near you, and to access related resources, visit the links under **Hot Topics on Health Matter's Home Page**. (Suggestion: If you're in a rural area, expand the search to a 25 mile radius.)

FYI -- Boise has pick up sites at Fred Meyer's on Chinden Blvd. and at Dillard's North Parking Lot at the Towne Square Mall. Meridian, Caldwell, Nampa, Lewiston, Pocatello, Chubbuck, Post Falls and many other towns have collection sites. Check it out on **Health Matter's Home Page** under Got Drugs.

### Links of Interest

- [News Articles for this week](#)
- [NCSC's Jur-E Bulletin 4-18-14](#)
- [NCSC @ The Center 4-21-14](#)
- [E-SJI News April 2014](#)
- [Fair Courts E-lert: 4-24-14](#)
- [Gavel to Gavel this week](#)

## Summary of ISC|COA Published Opinions

[April 3–17, 2014](#)

## Training & Education Corner

[Click here](#) for the Judicial Education website, including all upcoming & archived trainings for Judges, Clerks, and Court Reporters! [Click here](#) for Judicial Conferences or webinars.

## HR / Finance Links of Interest

[HR Recruitment Report](#) 04-25-14

Health Matters: [Wellness News](#)

Resources:

[Employee Self-Service \(ESS\)](#) ← **NEW**

[Tips for using ESS](#) ← **NEWER**

[Employee Handbook](#)

[Salary Affidavits & Travel Vouchers](#)

[We're Here to Serve You!](#)

## Court Committees: Agendas and Minutes

[Administrative Conference agenda: April 17-18](#)

## Judicial & Administrative Calendar

[Calendar](#) as of April 11, 2014

*NOTE: Due to security concerns, locations are not posted on the [Website calendar](#).*

## Your Corner . . .

*Note: "Your Corner" pages are intended as an archive of articles of interest to a particular group. Once a story has been included in the E-News, it will then be "parked" in a group's page, as appropriate.*

[Judges](#) (last updated 08-30-13)

[Elected/Deputy Clerks](#) (Newly updated 03-14-14)

[Court Reporters](#) (updated 12-20-13)

## Need Technical Assistance?

For the online form:

[www.isc.idaho.gov/helpdesk](http://www.isc.idaho.gov/helpdesk)

Or to send an Email:

[helpdesk@idcourts.net](mailto:helpdesk@idcourts.net)

Or Call:

208-334-3868



## Human Resources News continued . . .

### THRIVEIDAHO

You may have noticed Blue Cross of Idaho has a NEW redesigned website. Blue Cross is experiencing some technical difficulties with their new website so if you are struggling to log in to the Member Portal please re-register.

Click on the "REGISTER" button at the top of the main page and enter your information into the boxes below. In some cases members are receiving a "critical error" if you get this error please contact Blue Cross of Idaho Customer Service at 208-331-8897 or 1-866-804-2253. We apologize for any inconvenience, they are working to correct the problem as quickly as possible.

Can't find the [thriveidaho](#) link please follow these instructions:

- Go to Blue Cross of Idaho's website at [www.bcidaho.com](http://www.bcidaho.com)
- Place your cursor over "Members"
- Click on "Individuals & Family"
- Click on "Log In" at the top of the page
- Enter your user name and password
- Click on "State of Idaho Links"
- Click on "[thriveidaho](#)"

Your last day to participate in Year 1 of [thriveidaho](#) is [Wed., April 30](#).

If you wanted to participate but haven't had an opportunity **there is still time to submit final documentation to Blue Cross of Idaho.**

### Did you receive a wellness exam over the past year?

You can be entered into the [iPod/bodybugg drawing](#) if your provider fills out and signs the [Health Qualification Form](#) and you complete the Personal Health Assessment.

### Submit the HQF directly to Blue Cross of Idaho by:

**Fax:** 800-471-4424

**Email:** [thriveidaho@bcidaho.com](mailto:thriveidaho@bcidaho.com)

**Mail:** Blue Cross of Idaho, Attn: thriveidaho/HQF, P.O. Box 7408 ,  
Boise, ID 83707-1408

Complete the **Personal Health Assessment** today by logging into your [BCI Member Portal](#). Select [thriveidaho](#), then select 'Personal Health Assessment'. View a sample of the PHA questions [here](#).

### To check your [thriveidaho](#) progress, contact Blue Cross of Idaho at:

208-331-8897 (Boise local)      866-804-2253 (Toll free)

## Problem-Solving Court Graduations & News

Kootenai County Felony Drug Court  
April 28 @ 3:00 p.m., Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 12, Coeur d'Alene

Canyon County Veterans Treatment Court  
April 28 @ 3:00 p.m., Public Meeting Room  
Canyon County Courthouse, Caldwell

Twin Falls County Juvenile Drug Court  
April 30 @ 3:45 p.m., Snake River Youth Center,  
Community Room, Twin Falls

Kootenai County Mental Health Court  
May 1 @ 8:00 a.m., Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 8, Coeur d'Alene

Bonneville County Misd. /DUI Court  
May 1 @ 4:00 p.m., Bonneville County Courthouse, Centennial Courtroom,  
605 N. Capitol, Idaho Falls

Kootenai County Felony Drug Court  
May 5 @ 3:00 p.m., Kootenai County Courthouse, Rm. 12, Coeur d'Alene

Bonneville/Jefferson County Young Adult Drug Court, May 5 @ 10:30 a.m., Bonneville County Courthouse, 605 N. Capital, Court Room 3, Idaho Falls

Bonner County Felony Drug Court  
May 6 @ 5:00 p.m., Bonner County Courthouse, Courtroom One, Sandpoint

Clearwater County Mental Health Court  
May 6 @ 3:00 p.m., Clearwater County Courthouse, Rm. 1, Orofino

Ada County Felony Drug Court 1  
May 6 @ 5:30 p.m.  
Ada County Courthouse, First Floor  
Commissioners' Hearing Room, Boise

Ada County Felony Drug Court II  
May 6 @ 5:30 p.m., Ada County Courthouse,  
1st Floor, Commissioners' Hearing Room, Boise

Ada County Juvenile Drug Court  
May 6 @ 3:30 p.m., Denton Building - 6300  
Denton, Judge Harrigfeld's Courtroom, Boise

Elmore County Felony Drug Court  
May 6 @ 4:00 p.m., Elmore County Courthouse,  
Main Courtroom, 2nd Fl., Mountain Home

Bannock County Felony Drug Court  
May 6 @ 5:30 p.m., Bannock County Courthouse, Room 303, Pocatello

Benewah County Felony Drug Court  
7 May @ 4:00 p.m., Benewah County Courtroom, St. Maries

Bannock County DUI Court  
7 May @ 5:30 p.m., Bannock County Courthouse, Rm. 310, Pocatello

To have graduations included in the Court E-News, email the information to Craig at [cbarnes@idcourts.net](mailto:cbarnes@idcourts.net).

## Fifth Judicial District's Mini/Cassia, Jerome, and Twin Falls Drug Court Graduation Held

The Hon. Randy Smith, US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit was the guest speaker at the Fifth Judicial District's Mini/Cassia, Jerome, and Twin Falls Drug Court Graduation held at the College of Southern Idaho. There were 14 graduates.

Scholarships of \$250 were given to three graduates to purchase books for college from the *Monte B. and Diane Carlson Scholarship Fund*. To date, they have graduated 416 graduates.



Pictured above (R-L): Darrell Roskelley, Hon. John Butler, and Hon. Randy Smith

## Judicial Education News

### Magistrate Judges - REGISTER TODAY!!

\*\*\* Magistrate Judges Conference: May 5 - 7, 2014 \*\*\*

The 2014 Magistrate Judge's Conference will be held in Boise at The Riverside Hotel on Monday May 5 through Wednesday May 7, 2014. The conference will adjourn at 2:00 pm on Wednesday.

>> [Click here](#) for a **REVISED** draft agenda for the conference.

>> To register, [click here](#).

### Nuts and Bolts of Condemnation Proceedings Webinar for District Judges

April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30 MT-11:30 PT

Condemnation proceedings are distinctive procedurally and deal with aspects of property law foreign to many practitioners and judges. Heather Cunningham and Mary York, two leading Idaho Condemnation lawyers with extensive litigation experience will present on this subject. They will focus on key issues that judges must deal with including unique procedural issues such as, expedited possession hearings, bifurcated proceedings, venue and, and who proceeds first at trial. Included in the presentation will be concepts such as just compensation, highest and best use, larger parcel, before and after references and fair market value. They will discuss valuation issues including severance damages, value of property taken and business damages. Materials will also be included for reference materials. Don't get condemned, get informed!

Space is limited. [Reserve your Webinar seat now: Click Here](#)

### FREE Webcast: The Affordable Care Act (ACA) and Criminal Justice: Opportunities for Treatment = Benefits to Public Safety

Friday, May 2, 2014. [Click here](#) for more information & to register. Learn what resources are now available to people under justice supervision through the ACA.