

KLH Legal News



ICE Your Cell Phone For Emergencies

ICE stands for “In Case of Emergency.” Paramedics and other first responders are increasingly being trained to



check a victim’s cell phone for an “ICE” number to

call upon arrival at the scene.

You should select a person whom you would like paramedics to contact in case of an emergency.

Then, in your cell phone address book, place that person's contact information with the word ICE before it, such as ICEMary or ICEBill. It could save your life.

Mark Lewis Sworn In as President of COAJ

On May 12, 2009, Mark Lewis was sworn in as the new President of the Central Ohio Association for Justice.

COAJ is the leading association for trial lawyers in Columbus and all of Central Ohio. Among other community activities, COAJ conducts Judicial Screenings of candidates for judge in Franklin and surrounding counties and publishes those results for the public.

Lewis follows in the footsteps of partner Mark Kitrick, who also served as President of COAJ.



Mark Lewis being sworn in by Justice Pfeifer of the Ohio Supreme Court. Photo courtesy of Cheryl Boyd.

Ruling Alters Damages for Non-injured Spouses

When one spouse is injured by the negligence of another person in Ohio, the non-injured spouse has long had a claim for the loss of consortium - intangible losses due to the injuries of their spouse, such as the lack of love, guidance, and support.

However, the actual care for their injuries at home (such as driving them to and from doctor and therapy

appointments, changing dressings and bandages, and helping them transition from sitting to standing) usually falls on the non-injured spouse to provide. This sacrifice often necessitates the non-injured spouse missing time from work to care for their loved one.



The Ohio Supreme Court recently decided that non-injured spouses who take time off from work are entitled to make claim - not for their lost wages - but for the economic value of the services they provide.

Even though these services are provided for free, and no medical bills are incurred, the Court made it clear that the wrongdoer should not expect to get the benefit for those free-of-charge services. The case is *Hutchings v. Childress*.

KLH Initiates Canned Food Drive

Difficult economic times do not make the needy any less so - in fact the opposite is true. From now through August 28, 2009, KLH will be collecting donations of canned and non-perishable food items in our office to distribute to those in need. Please donate today.



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Please Support the Jarret Feucht Golf Outing

You are invited to a fun-filled day of golf, food, music, and prizes at the 2nd Annual Jarret R. Feucht Memorial Tournament in honor of Jarrett, who died tragically in a car wreck in 2007. We were privileged to represent Jarret's family. The

event will be held at Glenross Golf Club, 231 Clubhouse Drive, Delaware, Ohio on August 22, 2009. Shotgun start at 12:00. For more information, or to register for the event, go to www.jarretslight.com.

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