

# BOYD KENTER THOMAS & PARRISH NEWS

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## JACKSON COUNTY JURY AWARDS \$900,000 TO INDEPENDENCE MAN

A \$900,000.00 verdict was awarded to an Independence man, in Independence, Missouri, July 14, 2016. The 52-year-old Plaintiff was injured at work when he fell approximately three and a half feet off of the ledge of a loading dock, fracturing his left heel. His extensive injuries necessitated two surgeries including a fusion. Although the fall occurred at the Plaintiff's place of employment, the defendant at trial was the owner of the property, a third-party company, NE Distribution Center. The defendant had offered nothing pre-trial. Brianne Thomas, Mark Parrish and Jason Iezzi tried the case for the Plaintiff and could not be happier with the jury's verdict.

## BOYD KENTER THOMAS & PARRISH PARTNERS SELECTED TO SUPER LAWYERS FOR TEN YEARS

John B. Boyd, Jerry Kenter and Mark Parrish are recognized for having been selected as Super Lawyers for ten years. Super Lawyers is a highly regarded rating service that endorses attorneys with extraordinary achievement and dedication. The selection process is conducted by an independent, attorney-led research team and is a compilation of peer recognition, nominations and evaluations, as well as career accomplishments. Brianne Thomas has been recognized as a Super Lawyers Rising Star, a distinction of excellence earned within the first ten years of service. The Super Lawyers recognitions will be featured in fall editions of *Super Lawyers Magazine* and *KC Magazine*.





## BRIANNE THOMAS TO BE HONORED

Our partner and friend, attorney Brianne Thomas has been recognized as an Up & Coming Law Firm Leader by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*. Only legal professionals who are under age forty, or within the first ten years of practice and who demonstrate extraordinary achievement, leadership and skill are honored. An awards luncheon will be held at the Missouri Athletic Club in downtown St. Louis on October 7.

## FIRE & ICE BBQ

Boyd Kenter Thomas & Parrish sponsored and participated in the Second Annual Fire & Ice BBQ competition along with the IAFF Local 42 Firefighters. The Q Fire & Smoke BBQ team treated guests to an evening of food, drink and entertainment in the parking lot of the Silverstein Eye Centers arena.



## MARINE CORPS TOURNEY

Boyd Kenter Thomas & Parrish will sponsor the annual Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation Golf Tournament, now in its 20th and final year. The firm has sponsored and participated in this meaningful event for six years. Funds raised help fund educational opportunities for Marine Corps families. Boyd Kenter Thomas & Parrish proudly supports the Marine Corps and their families and in particular, Bill Clinton and a host of volunteers who have truly made a difference in the lives of so many. The final tournament will be held at Deer Creek Country Club on September 19. Please visit the tournament website at <https://www.mcsf.org/event/kansas-city-fall-golf-tournament/>.

# VETERANS DAY

Friday, November 11 is Veterans Day. The date was originally chosen to commemorate the end of World War I hostilities and honor those specific veterans; however, over the years, Veterans Day has become the day set aside to express gratitude and honor all those who have served in the military. The attorneys at Boyd Kenter Thomas & Parrish recognize the many contributions and sacrifices our Veterans have made for our country.



## DID YOU KNOW?

OSHA's most frequently cited violation of 2015 is fall protection? Here are the top ten:

1. Fall Protection (C)
  2. Hazard Communication
  3. Scaffolding (C)
  4. Respiratory Protection
  5. Lockout/Tagout
  6. Powered Industrial Trucks
  7. Ladders (C)
  8. Electrical, Wiring Methods
  9. Machine Guarding
  10. Electrical, General Requirements
- (C) = Construction standard

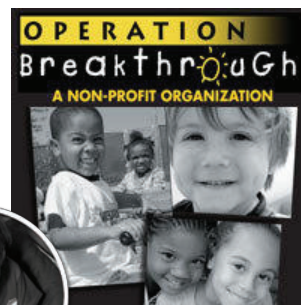
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## LABOR FUNDRAISER FOR MISSOURI STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Boyd Kenter Thomas & Parrish hosted a fundraiser for Missouri House 135th District candidate (Springfield, Missouri), trial attorney Randy Alberhasky at Café Verona on the Historic Independence Square on September 7. Alberhasky, a strong proponent of labor, specializes in workers' compensation and personal injury law. His platform includes the assurance that everyone has the right to trial-by-jury in the civil justice system. You can find information about the Alberhasky campaign by visiting <http://www.randyalberhasky.com/home.html>.

## OPERATION BREAKTHROUGH



Operation Breakthrough, with the support of Lawyers Encouraging Academic Performance (LEAP), held its Annual Back to School Pancake Breakfast on July 29. School supplies were collected for many of Kansas City's urban students. Please find more information about Operation Breakthrough at [www.operationbreakthrough.org](http://www.operationbreakthrough.org) and LEAP at [www.leapkc.org](http://www.leapkc.org)





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## AREAS OF PRACTICE

- *Workers' Compensation*
- *Civil Litigation*
- *Labor Law*



DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON  
**NOVEMBER 8**

Tuesday, November 8 is Election Day! Please vote for those candidates who support workers' rights legislation.



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