

## 2020 WJCCA CONFERENCE BIOGRAPHIES

**JACOB EBENHOE** has been a Business Process Analyst at CCAP for nearly five years. Early in his CCAP career, he worked primarily with supporting the implementation of mandatory eFiling. Jacob then transitioned to take a lead role in many software development projects, particularly those involving juvenile. Jacob's project work includes Juvenile eFiling, notice recipients, restraining orders, Wisconsin Act 109, and today he's focused on juvenile in the CCAP3 case management rewrite.

**KIM HICKS** is a customer services supervisor and has been at CCAP for 20 years. She has led software development and implementation and training projects throughout the years. She is currently heading up the project to install new Digital Audio Recording (DAR) systems to all courtrooms and hearing rooms.

**KRISTA MILLER** has been a legal advisor with the office of court operations since the fall of 2019. She focuses on areas including (but not limited to) probate, guardianships, involuntary mental health commitments, record retention, and small claims. Prior to joining court operations, she worked as an assistant corporation counsel in Columbia County for 7 years, and before that was in private practice. In her free time, Krista enjoys spending as much time as possible with family, including her Yorkie, Brute.

**AMBER PETERSON** is a Circuit Court Legal Advisor for the Wisconsin Director of State Courts Office, Office of Court Operations. Amber received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and her Juris Doctorate from Marquette University Law School. As Legal Advisor, Amber manages the Wisconsin court system's STOP Grant, which is federal money awarded by the Office of Violence Against Women to improve the court's response to domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking cases. In that role, Amber manages projects, monitors and implements legislation, drafts procedures and other judicial resources, and provides technical assistance to judges, court commissioners, and clerks in a number of areas including restraining orders, firearms prohibitions, and restitution. She can be reached at 608-267-7764 or [amber.peterson@wicourts.gov](mailto:amber.peterson@wicourts.gov).

**ADAM PLOTKIN** has been a Legislative Liaison for the State Public Defenders since January 2011. Adam received his undergraduate degree in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2000. Prior to that, he worked for a state legislator for 9 years in various capacities. Adam served as policy advisor, committee clerk for the Senate Committee on Labor, Elections, and Urban Affairs, and office manager. Adam is an active member of the community, most notably as Treasurer and Past President of Capitol Neighborhoods, Inc. (the downtown Madison neighborhood association), member of the City of Madison's Downtown Coordinating Committee, and Secretary of the Dane County Emergency Medical Services Commission.

**AMANDA RAMAKER** is an Assistant Corporation Counsel for Dane County, practicing in the permanency planning/child welfare unit since 2017. Amanda began her law career in 2010 practicing family law, municipal prosecution and civil litigation out of Jefferson County, Wisconsin. Prior to joining Dane County, Amanda spent several years on the litigation team at Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren s.c. Amanda received her undergraduate and law degree from University of Wisconsin, Madison.

**ELISABETH STOCKBRIDGE** is an assistant state public defender in the Shawano trial office, where she represents juveniles in delinquency cases, and children and parents in children in need of protection or services and termination-of-parental-rights cases. Attorney Stockbridge is the Family Defense practice coordinator for the State Public Defender. Prior to joining the State Public Defender, Attorney Stockbridge clerked for the eight judges in the Brown County Circuit Court for two years. Attorney Stockbridge is a 2009 graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School. Attorney Stockbridge serves on the board of the State Bar of Wisconsin's Children and the Law Section.

**MICHELLE WAGNER** is an Assistant Corporation Counsel for Dane County Child Support Agency since 2018. She previously worked at Milwaukee County Child Support Services as Legal Counsel from 2012 and prior to that as a Paralegal Supervisor/Specialist in Milwaukee County's Child Support legal unit dating back to 1998. In 1997-1998 she worked for Legal Action of Wisconsin, Inc. in Racine representing survivors of domestic violence in family law matters and restraining orders. Michelle graduated from University of Minnesota Law School in 1997 and received her undergraduate degree in Political Science and International Relations from UW-Madison in 1994.

**KRISTEN WETZEL** joined the Children's Court Improvement Program as Legal Advisor in August 2018. Prior to her position with CCIP, she worked as an Assistant Corporation Counsel in Portage County handling CHIPS, TPR, and Chapter 48 guardianship cases. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Law Studies from Marquette University and a Juris Doctor from the John Marshall Law School.