

Meet Boyk Law's Newest Attorney, Katie R. Harris



Boyk Law would like to welcome the firm's newest attorney, Katie R. Harris. Katie is an almost lifelong Toledo-area resident who graduated from Evergreen High School in 2004 and then graduated with a 4.0 GPA from the University of Toledo in 2008. After obtaining her degree in English, with honors, and a minor in Psychology, Katie attended the University of Toledo College of Law on a full scholarship. As a law student,

Katie was elected Editor-in-Chief of the Toledo Law Review. She was also a Teaching Assistant and a research associate for LexisNexis, and she served as the Women's Law Student Association's representative to the Student Bar Association.

In 2011, Katie graduated in the top five of her law school class, magna cum laude, and was selected for Order of the Coif. She was also presented with

a College of Law Student Service Award and the ALI-ABA Scholarship & Leadership Award.

Following graduation, Katie was honored to clerk for Magistrate Judge James R. Knepp, II at the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio. When her clerkship term had ended, she was lucky to continue learning about the judicial process as a staff attorney for Judge Gene A. Zmuda and Judge Gary G. Cook at the Lucas County Common Pleas Court. In 2015, Katie entered private practice at a local insurance defense litigation firm, where she had the opportunity to work on complex injury and death cases across Ohio.

Katie decided to become a lawyer partly because of her dad's grandma, who left Hungary as a teenager and came here for the opportunities we have in the United States. Katie explains, "Knowing how past generations worked so hard to create opportunities for me, I wanted to make them proud by using those opportunities to give back to others. Becoming a lawyer was a way I could do that."

After seeing personal injury litigation from the defense and judicial perspectives, Katie came to work at Boyk Law because she is passionate about helping the people who need it most. She is thrilled at this new opportunity and looks forward to using her legal knowledge and skills for effective, compassionate representation that will give her clients their best chance at a fair result.

"I met Katie as a co-counsel on a complicated case that lasted two years," Chuck Boyk said. "I was impressed with her original thought, quality work, and passion for the law. She will be a fantastic advocate for injured clients."

Katie lives in South Toledo with her husband

Mark and their two cats, a cuddly fluff-monster named Charlie and a sweet, funny little black and white guy named Frankie. In her spare time she enjoys reading, traveling, cooking, and helping Mark plan their annual fruit and veggie garden.

Getting to Know Katie

Favorite ice cream? Chocolate

Favorite food? Sushi

What are you reading right now? Blind Injustice, by Mark Godsey, the co-founder of the Ohio Innocence Project.

Favorite animated movie? Finding Nemo

What's the farthest you've been from home? Inverness, Scotland



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TPS Proud Celebrates Winners Xarelto Blood at Leverette Elementary Xarelto Blood Thinners Links

Boyk Law's TPS Proud Student and Teacher of the Month contest awarded students at Leverette Elementary, as part of our program aimed at highlighting the best of Toledo Public Schools. Leverette students created 43 teacher appreciation videos and the kids were adorable as they described on camera how important their teachers are to them.



Tanesha Peterson and Jahad Williams



Tammy Johnson and Angela McClue

Winning Teacher: Tanesha Peterson Nominated by: Jahad Williams

Jahad's nomination: "My favorite teacher is Ms. Petersen because she's always been there for me in the ups and downs and she was one of my first teachers that stood up for me. Even when I was wrong, she helped me go through it. When my grades were bad, she gave me extra credit so I could pass to the next grade, and she really had faith in me, so that is why she is my favorite teacher. I'll always remember that she taught me three-digit multiplication. I'm still doing it today and now I'm in sixth grade. When I was in fourth grade - and she still does it - she had these things and we used to stick them to the wall. They would be things about life. One was 'Good, Better, Best - Never let it rest until good becomes better and better becomes best.' Those were the life lessons that she taught us. Ms. Peterson, you are the best teacher in the world and I hope you have a great life on and on. You taught me some life lessons that will never be taught by any other teacher." Prize: \$50 Visa gift card for Jahad for creating his video, \$150 Visa gift card for Tanesha Peterson for winning Teacher of the Month.

Student Winner: Tammy Johnson Nominated by: Angela McClue

Angela's nomination: "Tammy has done a massive turn around in my art class this year. We had some troubles last year and I feel like we're better now. She is very motivated, stays on tasks, and listens carefully for directions."

Prize: \$150 Visa gift card for Tammy Estrada for winning Student of the Month.

Xarelto Blood Thinners Linked To Uncontrolled Bleeding, Stroke, & Death

Xarelto, the number one prescribed blood thinner in America, is facing multiple lawsuits over an array of significant side effects including irreversible bleeding, stroke, and death. Xarelto, manufactured by Bayer, Janssen and Johnson & Johnson, is widely prescribed to help reduce the risk of blood clots and to treat deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism. Despite being linked to thousands of injuries, no recall has been issued, and the drug continues to be prescribed to individuals across the country.

Who may have a lawsuit? Patients who are taking or have taken Xarelto and have suffered serious cardiac health issues.

Should I be worried if I am already taking Xarelto? Boyk Law would be happy to share with

you the research linked to Xarelto so that you can discuss them with your doctor. You can call us at 888-888-2110 or confidentially ask additional questions by visiting www.isitalawsuit. com.



RECIPE: Sarah's Skillet Chicken Pot Pie

INGREDIENTS

- 2 lbs. bone-in, skin-on chicken breasts or thighs
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 small carrots, thinly sliced
- 3 celery stalks, thinly sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 3 cups low-sodium chicken broth or stock
- 1 cup frozen peas, thawed
- 2-4 sheets frozen puff pastry, thawed, rolled into a 12-inch circle
- 1 large egg, beaten

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Heat oven to 425 degrees. Line a sheet pan with parchment paper and set aside.
- 2. Season chicken with salt and pepper. Heat oil in a 10-inch cast iron skillet (or other heavy bottom skillet) over medium heat. Sear chicken, skin side down, until deeply golden brown and some of the fat has begun to render out, 5 to 8 minutes. Rotate

chicken and continue to cook on all sides until evenly browned and cooked through, an additional 8 to 10 minutes. Remove chicken, keeping all the drippings in the skillet, and let cool slightly on a plate.

- 3. To the drippings, add carrots, celery, garlic, and onion. Cook until vegetables are tender, about 7 minutes. Add flour and stir to coat all the vegetables. Cook, stirring constantly, until the flour has started to turn a light golden brown with no white, floury bits left, about 3 minutes.
- 4. Slowly add the chicken broth ½ cup at a time, using a wooden spoon to blend and scrape up any browned bits on the bottom of the skillet. Once all the broth or stock is added, bring to a simmer and remove from heat.
- 5. Remove the bones and skin from the chicken and shred the meat and skin into bite-size pieces. Add the peas and chicken and season once more with salt and pepper.
- 6. Carefully unfold the puff pastry and working quickly, place it on top of the skillet (do not worry about it being a perfect circle), letting some of the dough hang off the sides (this will keep it from shrinking too much).
- 7. Whisk the egg with 1 teaspoon of water and brush

One pan means an easy clean-up and the use of puff pastry makes for a simple, flaky crust.

- onto the top of the puff pastry. Cut three 2½-inch slits, about 1-inch apart and place the skillet on top of the sheet pan to catch any drips in the oven.

 8. Bake until puff pastry is golden brown on top and filling is starting to bubble up, 20 to 25 minutes. Reduce temperature to 375 degrees and continue to cook until puff pastry is baked through all the way and filling has thickened considerably, another 15 to 20 minutes.
- 9. Remove from heat and let cool slightly before eating. Enjoy!



Boyk Law Bike Safety Day To Kick Off Bikes For Kids With FREE HELMETS On May 12th At **Wersell's Bikes Shop**

What: 3rd Annual Boyk Law Bike Safety Day When: Saturday, May 12th from 11am to 1pm

Why: To provide free helmets and helmet fittings for kids ages two to 13 Where: Traumatic Brain Injury Resource Center, 7430 Central Ave.,

Who will be there: Pediatrics, ER doctors and nurses, Toledo Firefighters, Toledo Police officers, bicycle specialists Jill & Kathy Wersell, and Boyk Law child safety advocates

How to Reserve Your Helmet: Visit www.freekidshelmets.com to secure a helmet, since otherwise they are given on a first-come, first-serve basis. Due to the importance of having a properly-fitting helmet, children MUST be present to receive a helmet

With the help of WTOL Channel 11, Boyk Law will be kicking of 2018's Bikes for Kids program, which provides one bicycle to a deserving child each week of summer, from the last week of May until the end of August.

Bikes for Kids is asking parents, teachers, caregivers, and loved ones to recognize a child who has made a difference in the life of someone else by nominating them to receive a free bicycle from Wersell's Bike Shop, compliments of Boyk Law. Wersell's will be donating a helmet and a lock to each winner. While there are no specific guidelines on what makes a nominee deserving of a new bike, we encourage nominators to think about any kind things that the child has done for others, or how the child has positively impacted his or her family, friends, community, or classroom.

WTOL is the official media partner of the program to help us spread the word and they will also be featuring the winners on the news each week!

Started by Charles E. Boyk Law Offices in 2009, Bikes for Kids has given away over

100 bicycles to area kids as a way to raise awareness about child injury accident prevention. To nominate a child in your life, visit www. BikesforKidsToledo.com. Questions about Bikes for Kids program can be directed to Anneke by emailing community@charlesboyk-law. com or by calling 419-720-4456.



UTMC Emergency Room nurse Robin Love is interviewed by WTOL's Dick Berry at Boyk Law Safety Day while her granddaughter, Ella, looks on.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT:

Corey Revenaugh

So that we can get for our clients the most money in their pockets as possible, we provide additional services not offered at other firms. We negotiate down outstanding medical bills and health insurance liens and pay those bills for our clients at the end of their cases so that they are not burdened with that chore. There is a lot of work that goes into making sure that the cases are constantly up-to-date so that we can be prepared for settlement at a moment's

This work includes ensuring that our office has the correct balances on medical bills, that those bills are related to the accident, and that the health insurance companies aren't insisting on being paid back for services not related to the claim.

That is why Boyk Law is appreciative of Corey Revenaugh, a legal assistant whose job is ordering medical records, corresponding with health insurance subrogators, and checking balances.

"The leg work that Corey does on the cases is imperative to the firm's ability to help our clients get the best result possible," Attorney Chuck Boyk said. "We appreciate the hard work she puts in and I'm sure the clients do, too."

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I love to spend time with my daughter, Ina; work out; and hang out with my family and friends and my boyfriend, Ryan.

Tell us about your family

I'm really close with my two younger sisters, and I love that I get to work with my sister, Emily, who is the receptionist. Both of my sisters are great aunts to Ina and we love spending time together.

Favorite ice cream? Vanilla bean Favorite food? Mexican especially street tacos What are you reading right now? Vogue magazine Favorite animated movie? Trolls What's the farthest you've been from home? Cabo, Mexico What is your favorite

hobby? Before Ina, it was painting. Now it is chasing her!



Corey with her daughter, Ina, and boyfriend, Ryan

CASES OF INTEREST: APRIL 201

Injury To Worker's Eye Leaves Woman Loses Her Legs After **Him Unable To Work For Six**

Our client was sitting in his parked truck filling out paperwork when he was struck by a semi-truck that was backing up into a loading dock. The collision caused blurry and double vision and an eye damage so severe that it injured the optic nerve. He also suffered a concussion, whiplash, and injuries to his right shoulder and lumbar. The wreck caused the need for visits with orthopedic specialists and neurologists, as he continues to undergo testing and figure out if surgery is needed.

Car Accident Causes Her To Be Ejected From The Car

Our client was struck with such force after another driver ran a stop sign that she was thrown from the car into a field. She was life-flighted to the closest trauma hospital to be treated for multiple skull fractures, a shattered arm, and injuries to her legs that were so severe that they both needed to be amputated. Months of physical therapy both in-patient and at-home allowed her to start the healing process physically, but she still struggles with anxiety and

depression as she battles the emotional pain that the wreck has caused.

Car Accident Leaves Woman With Multiple Fractures

A driver ran a red light and t-boned our client, striking her with so much force that her car was totaled. She was transported to a local hospital where x-rays determined that her leg and ankle were fractured. In addition to having to wear a cast for multiple weeks, she is also struggling with serious low back pain, for which she is now under the care of an orthopedic surgeon. The doctor is hoping that MRI's will help determine the extent of the damage to her back, which could result in additional surgeries or physical therapy.





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April's Raving Fan of the Month

"Staff was very attentive to my needs. The politeness of staff and promptness of returning phone calls in a timely manner was phenomenal. Everyone in the office always greets you with a smile, you can even hear them smiling when they answer the phone. It was a great experience to have such knowledgeable people work on my case."

-Amy K.

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marketing@charlesboyk-law.com

Jogs Doing Good

A huge thank you to Zane, the Office Dog of our friend and colleague Attorney Nancy Cavey in St. Petersburg, Florida, for gifting to Emma one of their firm's doggie bandanas. Boyk Law appreciates you!



