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## In the News

### In the law firms

Baker McKenzie LLP added **William F. Dugan** to the employment and compensation practice as a partner.

Dugan practices in complex litigation in federal and state courts and other tribunals throughout the United States.

He was previously with Seyfarth Shaw LLP.



Timothy D. Gronewold



Thomas E. Howard



Timothy J. Howard



Michael R. Lied

Howard & Howard Attorneys PLLC announced that several of their attorneys have been appointed/reappointed to various committees within the Illinois State Bar Association for the 2017-2018 term:

- Timothy D. Gronewold** reappointed as a member on the Labor and Employment Law Section Council
- Thomas E. Howard** reappointed as a member of the Standing Committee on Judicial Evaluations Outside Cook County and the Commercial Banking, Collections and Bankruptcy Law Section Council
- Timothy J. Howard** appointed as chair of the Senior Lawyers Section Council
- Michael R. Lied** reappointed as a member of the Standing Committee on Continuing Legal Education.

## In the bar groups

A new bar association for lawyers who serve Illinois' Assyrian-American population has elected its first board of officers.

The Assyrian-American Bar Association elected the following officers to two-year terms: President **Tony S. Kalogerakos**, Vice President **Christina Abraham**, Treasurer **Joy Mkrdichian**, Secretary **Phillip Rehani** and law school liaison **Mark Ishu**.

The group began organizing in 2016.

The association was founded to promote the highest standards among Assyrian-American attorneys in their service to Assyrian-American communities and cultivate a network of Assyrian attorneys with a range of legal knowledge.

The new Assyrian-American Bar Association also plans to host legal seminars on topics of particular interest to the community and mentor Assyrian-American young people who aspire to join the legal profession.



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