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## Protecting Your Child Online

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the internet has become an important part of our lives. Children are using technology and the internet more than ever to access online classes, homework, and resources. Internet access is not without risk, and some parents may be at a loss on how to monitor their children's internet use to protect them from things such as cyberbullying, money theft, or exposure to inappropriate content. We've gathered a list of tips to help parents make smart decisions with their smart devices to keep kids safe online.

- **Cyberbullying prevention** – talk to your kids about online etiquette, and thinking before they send a message. If they shouldn't say it in person, they shouldn't say it online.
- **Streaming services** – most streaming services have parental controls that you should utilize to ensure they can only access age-appropriate content. A time limit should also be set for screen time.
- **Gaming safety** – online games often have chat features. Make sure your child's account is set to private, monitor their communications regularly, and talk to them about never sharing personal information online.
- **Lead by example** – don't text and drive, and don't bring your phone to the dinner table.
- **Social media safety** – talk to kids about the permanence of social media posts, and how deleting something does not mean it's gone forever. Ensure location access on their accounts is blocked and adjust settings to make their accounts as private as possible.
- **Create awareness** – show your kids examples of what to look for when determining whether a website is safe to access, and how to avoid risky sites and apps.



## Field Trips

The 6th to 8th grade classes of Alexandria Middle Magnet School (AMMS) recently participated in one of the firm's sponsored fieldtrips to the Rapides Parish Courthouse. The trip started with a tour of the building and a visit to some of the offices such as the Tax Assessor's office, the Clerk of Court, and the Registrar of Voters. Here the students learned about the function of each office as well as a day in the life of the employees that worked there. Judges Chris Hazel, David Williams, and Patricia Koch then spoke with the classes and answered questions about their job and roles in the judicial system. After the tour, the students went to a court room and held a mock trial led by attorney Mike Koch. Once a verdict was reached, the classes broke for a pizza lunch at Cici's. After pizza, the students got to tour the NBA office and learn about the different roles within a law firm and what a day in the life looks like for our attorneys and support staff. To wrap up the day, the students wrote kind thank you letters to the Tax Assessor, judges, and employees of the Rapides Parish Courthouse expressing their thanks for the tour. Our firm enjoyed having the students of AMMS be a part of our field trip program, and we hope they enjoyed learning more about our court system!

## Fishing for a Cause



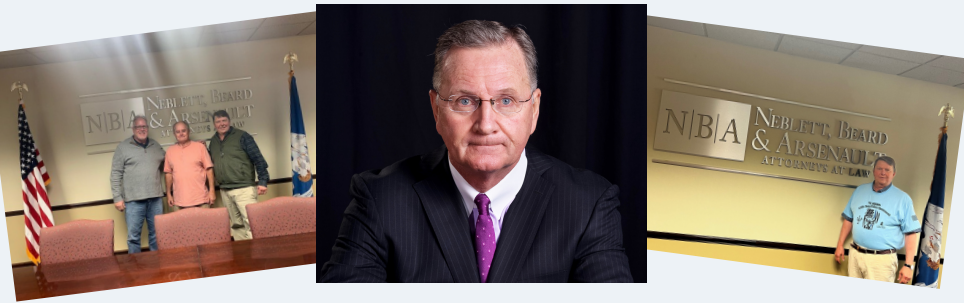
### From the Desk of Richard Arsenault

For many years, our firm has sponsored field trips for Rapides Parish schools. Our program allows students to tour our local courthouse and learn about our judicial system and its different roles and responsibilities. They are able to experience the process of a trial through our mock court procedure, and hear from officials such as judges, the Clerk of Court, the Tax Assessor, and more. Additionally, the classes get to tour the office to see how our lawyers and employees fulfill their roles. As these kids get an inside look at our justice system, it is wonderful to watch them leave with a better understanding of the courts and their roles.



This April, Neblett, Beard & Arsenault sponsored the 1st Annual Louisiana State Trooper's Association Troop E Bass Tournament. The tournament was held to raise money for the LSTA and St. Jude Children's Hospital. The tournament was a great success, raising nearly \$10,000 for charity. We hope everyone had a wonderful time fishing at and attending the tournament, and celebrate their great success in fundraising for St. Jude. We look forward to next year's event, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank our Louisiana State Troopers and all law enforcement officers for keeping our communities safe.

# Firm News



Our firm was a proud sponsor of the Louisiana State Troopers Association's 1st Annual Bass Tournament on April 9th, 2022 in combination with St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Attorney **Richard Arsenault** has been selected to the 2021 Top 50 Lawyers in America list by the Top Lawyers in America.

NBA employee **Boyd** recently celebrated his 40th work anniversary with our firm, and the office celebrated with a delicious cake in appreciation of his work.

Attorney **Richard Arsenault** has been awarded the Top Rating by Avo.com for 2022.

The firm is again sponsoring the Dixie Youth Baseball team, coached by NBA attorney **Matt Crotty**. The firm has been a proud sponsor of Dixie youth sports for many years, and we wish them the best in their 2022 season.

Attorney Richard Arsenault has been selected to be included in the Top Lawyers in Acadiana 2022, and will be featured in Acadiana Profile magazine.

# Kind Words

*They are very nice and very helpful. My lawyer Miss Barbara Mixon is very great person. She helped me throughout my case, which was successful. I want to say thank you to her and NBA . - Moe*

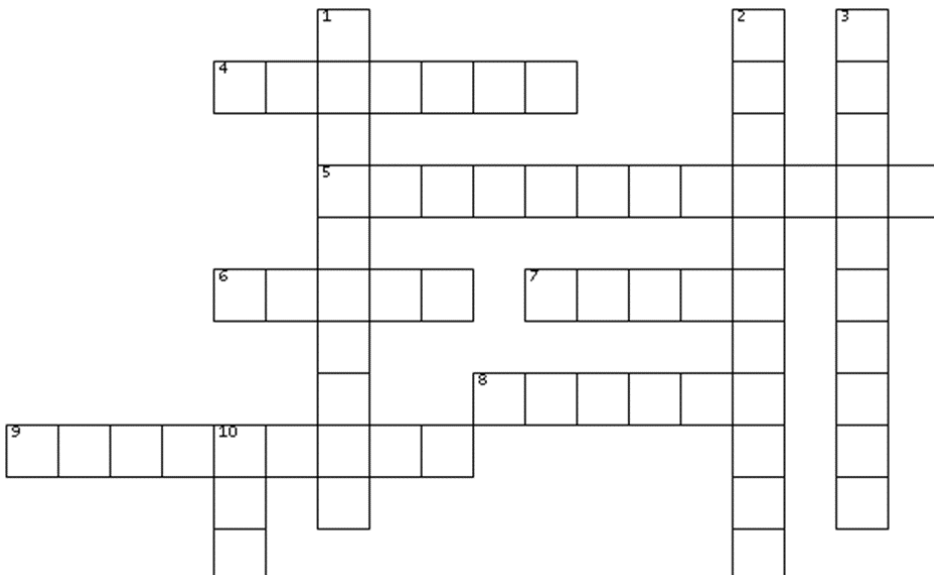
*We could not be more pleased with attorney Wes Gralapp and the service we have received. Many Thanks. - Tom & Terri*

*Attorney Mike Koch, Mitzi, and Danielle, you are dearly thought of and appreciated! - Hopella*

*Ted Roberts helped me through a difficult time. I will definitely refer family and friends to Neblett, Beard & Arsenault. They made me feel like a real person! - Shaulonda*

*Neblett, Beard & Arsenault is a super law firm that cares about its clients. One of the absolute BEST around. Please know that you are in good hands if NBA represents you. - Jay Goins*

# Summertime Safety Puzzle



## Across:

4. You should always hydrate before you feel \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In order to prevent dehydration you also need these.
6. If you get too warm, go sit in the \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The perfect addition to iced tea.
8. What should you wear on your head for cycling?
9. You should wear at least an SPF 30 of this.

## Down:

1. What should you wear anytime you are on the water?
2. In order to prevent this, you need to drink plenty of water.
3. Favorite summertime fruit.
10. Never leave pets or children in this once it gets warm out.

*Across: 4. Thirsty, 5. Electrolytes, 6. Shade, 7. Sugar, 8. Helmet, 9. Sunscreen Down: 1. Lifejacket, 2. Dehydration, 3. Watermelon, 10. Car*

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