

April L. Jones

April L. Jones is a solo practitioner representing tenants in landlord/tenant disputes and fair housing law. She and her husband Floyd, who keeps the wheels moving as the firm's legal administrator, just celebrated their tenth year in practice.



Hometown:

York, Pennsylvania

Law School:

University of Denver Sturm
College of Law

Lives in:

Denver

Works at:

Colorado Affordable Legal
Services, LLC

Practice Area(s):

Tenant representation in
landlord/tenant disputes
and fair housing law matters

CBA Member Since:

2013

Why did you become a lawyer?

I was a court stenographer for 15 years prior to going to law school. The next logical professional step for me was being a lawyer. Plus, I thought I'd be good at it.

What's the best advice you've ever been given?

Before I accepted my first client, my husband, who's got the softest heart of anyone I know, told me to "always seek to understand first before acting." His advice has served me well over the years in my area of practice.

What's the worst advice you've ever been given?

At orientation for law school, I was told to forget everything I had learned before going to law school because it would be of no benefit to me during my career. I ignored that person.

What do you like the most about your practice area?

I'm able to use my skills and connections to keep my disabled, disadvantaged, older, younger, and veteran clients housed, or give them more time to find housing so they don't end up living in motels or sleeping in their cars. Every day when I go to work, I get the chance to empower at least one person to take advantage of their tenant rights.

What's your biggest pet peeve?

People who can't or won't follow simple directions, no matter how many times or different ways you ask them to do so.

Why are you a dues-paying member of the CBA?

The members of the general and solo/small firm practice section are a wealth of knowledge and always willing to assist other members. They're an invaluable resource. The membership discount benefits are pretty nice too.

When you aren't working, how do you like to spend your time?

I love to read and spend time trying to teach my COVID-19 terrier-mix rescue that he's not the boss of me. He disagrees.


If you weren't a lawyer, you'd be?

I'd still be a court stenographer or running a pampered pooch hotel.

On your desk right now:

A photo of my dog.

If I had a dime for every time I heard (blank), I'd be a rich person.

"I just have one quick question I need you to answer." 

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