

VARIOUS ACCOLADES

Moss & Barnett is Pleased to Recognize the Following Team Members:

Susan Rhode, co-chair of our family law practice area, was among a group recently recognized by the Minnesota Judicial Council for her work over the last five years to establish the Early Case Management and Early Neutral Evaluation programs across Minnesota. Susan worked with a core group of judges and lawyers to create the first Financial Early Neutral Evaluation program in Hennepin County. Since that first program, she has traveled throughout Minnesota, and even to Colorado, to train the evaluators that work in this process.

Financial Early Neutral Evaluation is a program designed to help families settle the financial issues in their divorce early, thereby minimizing the cost of divorce. The article, "Options for Managing the Cost of Your Divorce in a Down Economy," published in our Spring 2010 Newsletter, explains the Financial Early Neutral Evaluation program in detail. Susan provides evaluative services to many families each year.

Thank you for your service, Susan!

Andy Malec, our long-time law librarian, was recently honored as a "2010 Unsung Legal Hero" by *Minnesota Lawyer*. "Unsung Legal Heroes" are nominated by peers, co-workers, and attorneys. They are the paralegals, legal assistants, administrators, and IT staff who work behind the scenes without fanfare to keep a law office running smoothly.

Andy assists our lawyers and others in the firm by doing research and gathering information necessary and important to their practices. Andy also assists with the preparation of our weekly *MINNESOTA LAW* shows by doing research and providing information for each week's topic. Andy recently had an opportunity to serve as the on-air talent for the show – on August 14, 2010 – on the topic of the Internet's impact on legal research. Andy's other notable contributions include overhauling and augmenting the firm's library collection, shepherding the library into the Internet age, and strategizing ways to cut costs without compromising quality.

Congratulations, Andy, and we thank you for all that you do!



