In the News

In the law firms

Dworkin & Maciariello added attorney Timothy W. Alberts. Alberts will concentrate in workers’ compensation matters. He was previously with Brady, Connolly & Masuda P.C.

In the law schools

Heidi Frotestad Kuehl joined the Northern Illinois University College of Law faculty as associate professor and director of the school’s law library.

She will direct library staff in providing reference assistance to faculty, students and other library users. She will also teach legal research and legal technology classes at the school.

She was previously the associate director for research and reference services at Northwestern University School of Law’s Pritzker Legal Research Center. Prior to that, she worked at Marquette University Law School as a law librarian and adjunct professor.

In the bar groups

The Illinois Bar Foundation will present its 16th annual Distinguished Award for Excellence to Peter J. Birnbaum, president and CEO of Attorneys’ Title Guaranty Fund Inc.

The award, selected by the Illinois Bar Foundation’s board of directors, honors one attorney each year who has made a major contribution to law and society.

The IBF’s 2014 Gala honoring Birnbaum starts at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 17 at the Four Seasons Hotel, 120 E. Delaware Place.

The event is co-chaired by Illinois Supreme Court Justice Anne M. Burke, Illinois Senate President John J. Cullerton and Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White.