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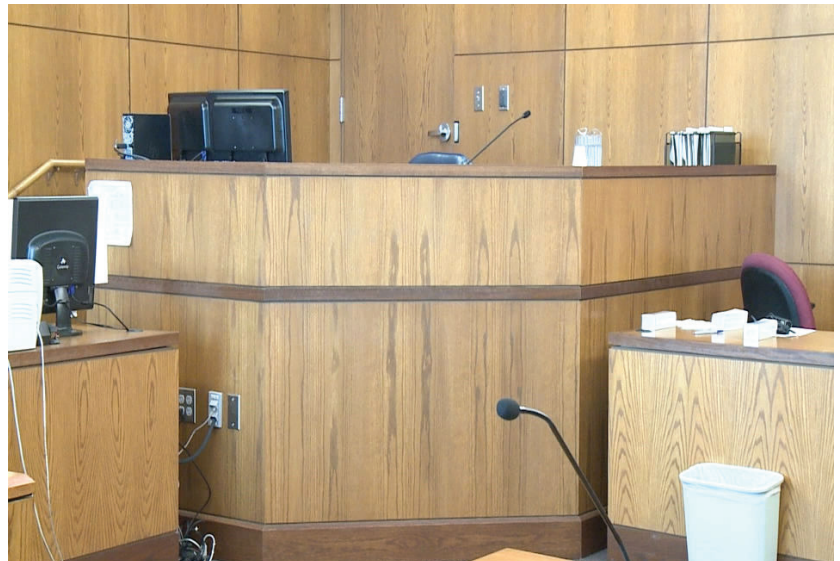
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## Chris McClure Featured on KSFY-TV Segment

On Monday, May 4, 2015, Swier Law Firm attorney Chris McClure was featured on KSFY-TV.

McClure served as KSFY's expert legal commentator for the story - "Judges Rule in Two Cases Regarding the Murder of Ronald 'RJ'Johnson."

*Read More About Chris McClure Featured on KSFY-TV Segment at <http://www.ksfy.com/news/headlines/Judges-rule-in-two-cases-regarding-the-murder-of-Ronald-RJJohnson-302497911.html>.*



## Jake Fischer to Present at South Dakota Bar Convention

Swier Law Firm attorney Jake Fischer has been selected to speak at the South Dakota Bar Convention on June 18 in Rapid City. Jake's presentation - "Land and the Law - Leases and Easements in South Dakota" - will examine trends in farmland leasing and analyze various types of leases.

Jake leads Swier Law Firm's Agricultural Law Practice Group and focuses his practice on agricultural issues, including crop insurance disputes, employment law disputes, agricultural litigation, entity selection and general corporate matters, environmental concerns and disputes, governmental regulation, purchase and sale of agricultural property, and taxation issues. Jake is also the author of the popular book *Agricultural Law in South Dakota* and serves on the State Bar of South Dakota's Agricultural Law Committee.



# Swier Law Firm Establishes “Future Leaders” Scholarship Program for Corsica High School Seniors

Swier Law Firm has announced the establishment of a scholarship program to assist outstanding seniors at Corsica High School.

Beginning this spring, college-bound seniors graduating from Corsica High School are eligible to apply for Swier Law Firm’s “Future Leaders” Scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded each year and the selection process will be based on academic and extra-curricular achievement, school and community service, financial need, a commitment to excellence, and a clear plan for future success. The scholarship will first be awarded during the Corsica

High School awards ceremony on May 14.

“Our law firm is incredibly excited to have the opportunity to encourage students in Corsica to pursue higher education,” said Jake Fischer. “Corsica is a community that takes immense pride in helping our school and students achieve their goals. As our law firm thought about ways to give back to the community, a scholarship program seemed to be a great way to recognize our high school students for their hard work and provide an opportunity for future success.”



## Governor Declares “Vern DeGeest Day” in South Dakota

It takes a special person to be a school superintendent.

And for 37 years, that person in Corsica has been Vern DeGeest. Swier Law Firm would like to thank Superintendent DeGeest for over 50 years of dedication to education in South Dakota. It has been an honor for our law firm to work with him and the Corsica School District!

*Read More About Governor Declares “Vern DeGeest Day” in South Dakota at <http://www.mitchellrepublic.com/news/local/3737512-dedication-thanked-degeest-day>*

# Swier Law Firm Secures South Dakota Supreme Court Win in Child Support Case

The South Dakota Supreme Court recently issued its decision in *Wiseman v. Wiseman*, upholding a trial court's ruling that past due child support payments were not retroactively modifiable under SDCL 25-7-7.3.

In its ruling, the Supreme Court held that South Dakota law expressly limits a court's power to retroactively modify child support. It may only retroactively modify child support payments that accrue during the "period in which there is pending a petition for modification of the support obligation."

Swier Law Firm's Chris McClure represented the prevailing party before the Supreme Court.



## Congratulations to Jake Fischer on the birth of his new baby boy!

We are excited to announce that Jake and Robin Fischer recently added a new member to their family! Llewyn Douglas Fischer was born May 1, 2015 at Queen of Peace Hospital in Mitchell, SD. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 21 inches in length at the time of his birth. Llewyn joins his sister Rosie, who is 2 years old, as the Fischer's two children. Mom and baby are both home from the hospital and doing great. Jake enjoyed his paternity leave and is now back to work in our Corsica office!



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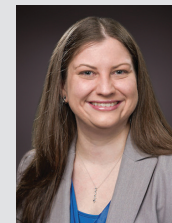
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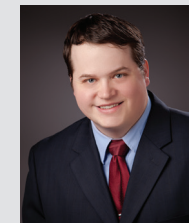
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