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## Kara Altenbaumer-Price is One to Watch

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Kara Altenbaumer-Price is the April 2008 DAYL "One to Watch" because everyone who has already been watching her marvels at how she does it all and does it all so well. Kara grew up in Sulphur Springs, Texas and attended the University of Texas at Austin. After earning her degree in Journalism, she worked as a newspaper reporter for a few years before attending law school at Texas Tech. Kara intended to continue her Journalism career after law school as a legal affairs columnist or a special correspondent, but lucky for us, she changed her mind during her second year and made the decision to practice law.

Kara is on the Corporate Compliance, Investigation and Defense team at Andrews Kurth. She is a long time member and co-chair of the Judiciary Committee. Under Kara's leadership, the Judiciary Committee had a busy year last year with over 40 new judges and Kara's personal favorite event-- the 2007 Dinner with the Judiciary focusing on voir dire. This year she is leading the committee's plans for a new event: a night of bowling with the judges.

In 2006, Kara and her husband Ben (violinist/stay-at-home-dad) welcomed their son Truman into their family. Kara credits Truman, now 19 months, as one of the most influential people in her life. Truman was born a very early preemie weighing just over one pound, and he gave Kara and Ben many frightening moments as he fought for his life. Truman inspires Kara because despite his uphill battle, he smiles for the sake of smiling and has a cheerful, loving spirit.

How does Kara do it all and do it all so well? She has a fantastic

husband and partner in Ben. She also genuinely enjoys all of the roles that make her life so busy and full. She loves being a lawyer and a DAYL leader. She loves being a wife, a good friend, and a trusted colleague. Most of all, Kara loves being a mother. True to her journalism roots, she is a mom-blogger and updates her friends and family on Truman's hard-earned successes as he grows. Kara also takes time to "smell the roses." Literally, she and her family are regulars at the Dallas Arboretum.

Congratulations, Kara, we look forward to watching your continued success!

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