CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING May 9, 2018

In attendance: Judges Becker, Blick, Brandt, DeGennaro, Kelley, Riordan, Zelman and Attorney Bonnie Bennet

1. Review of June presentation (June 14, 2018)

Save the date was issued for June's seminar

Conservatorships

Opioid Addiction – Presented by Dr. Stephen Holt, Yale New Haven Hospital (1 hour)

DSS Protective Services – Presented by Dorian Long (30 minutes)

Detecting Elder Fraud and Remedies – Presented by Attorney Richard Greenalch, Office of the Chief State's Attorney (45 minutes)

State and Regional Community Resources for the Elderly - Presented by Dr. Richard Marottoli, Yale University School of Medicine (30 minutes)

Spousal support allowance in conservatorships in light of recent Valliere decision –

presented by Judge Kurt Ahlberg and Attorney Stephen Keogh (45 minutes)

Did you know?

Accept petitions even if no named conservator or physician's evaluation

Standards of practice for conservators

Training of conservators (may not be ready until July 1)

Federal Firearms Rights – Tom Gaffey

(5-10 minutes each)

Proposed Rules of Probate Procedure – Presented by chairs of subcommittees (1 hour)

2. Review of September presentation (September 18, 2018)

Children's Matters

Overview of Family Support Magistrates and overlapping jurisdiction with the Probate Court – Presented by Magistrate John E. Collela, former Chief Family Support Magistrate, and Attorney Paul Bourdoulous (45 minutes to 1 hour)

Diversity training – implicit bias and cultural competence – Presented by Professor Lisa Workmeister-Rozas, UCONN School of Social Work (one and one-quarter hours)

Did you know that? (one hour)

Interpreting services

Fee waivers in TPR and paternity cases

SIJS findings (In re Henry Case) and voluntary guardianship for persons 18 to 20 (30 minutes)

Due process issues: Marshal service

Grounds set forth in petition

Notice issues: Amended complaints and notice to parents

Notice when address is uncertain – DCF as a resource

Permanent guardians

Safety and Security – Aggressive Behavior

3. Preliminary Discussion of November presentation (November 27, 2018)

Decedents' Estates

Insolvent estates – new forms to review (45 minutes to one hour) – Possible speaker: Judge Randich

Small estates and 4a-16 claims (15 minutes)

Estate Tax Returns (45 minutes to one hour) – Possible Speakers: Barbara Collins and Judge Calabrese

Business interests (LLC/LLP/Corporations) in estates (30 minutes)

DG matters – Estate examiners, Safe Deposit Boxes, Custody of Remains (45 minutes)

4. Ideas for January 2019 and beyond

Topics for New Judges
Title XIX – Possible speaker Attorney Lisa Davis
Special Needs Trusts
Commitments

POA - review of the issues after adaption of Uniform Power of Attorney Act

Next meeting: TBA

Respectfully submitted,

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