

CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

September 13, 2017

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

1. Final review of the September presentation (September 20, 2017)

Children's Matters – Judge Riordan to moderate
Paternity Issues – presented by Attorney Tom Gaffey (45 minutes)
Did you know? – presented by Amy Benjamin (45 minutes)
Gender Identity Issues – presented by Robin McHaelen (90 minutes)
Confirming Gender – presented by Judge Lomme (30 minutes)

2. Review of November presentation (November 29, 2017)

Hot Topics in Probate – Judge Becker to moderate
Did you know? (30 minutes)
CBA Attorney Manual - presented by Attorney Todisco
Symposium on Exploring Unsupervised Probate – Attorney Todisco
Probate Mediation - Judge Riordan
Initial Jurisdiction to Transfer a Matter - Judge Knierim
New Legislation - Judge McGrath
Discovery in Probate Courts and Hearing Management Conferences – Attorney Christopher Hug and Judge Norris (45 minutes)
2017 Probate Court Rules of Procedure – Attorney Douglas Brown and Judge Streit-Kefalas (35 minutes)
Probate Court Jurisdiction over Inter Vivos Trusts – Attorney Alfred Casella and Judge Calabrese (30 minutes)
Probate Court Jurisdiction under the CT Uniform Power of Attorney Act – Attorney Greta Solomon and Judge Darby (30 minutes)
New Developments in Conservatorships – (1 hour)
Evidence required re: choice of conservator -Attorney Sandra Sherlock White and Judge Daly
Transfers of involuntary conservatorships to and from other states (UAPPJA) – Attorney Elizabeth Byrne and Judge Marino
Probate Court Administration Update – Judge Knierim

3. Planning for January presentation, Wednesday, January 25, 2018

Ethics (Focusing on campaign ethics, social media) – presented by Judge Magistrali (1 hour)
Statewide Grievance Council (Attorney grievances) – presented by Attorney Karyl Carrasquilla, Chief Disciplinary Counsel (1 hour)
Conservator Standards (Preliminary discussions of committee) – presented by Judges DeGennaro and Paul Knierim (30-45 minutes)

Authority to Manage Finances by GID – presented by Judge McGrath (30 minutes)

4. Planning for future presentations

June 2018 presentation – Conservatorships, Court Security
Office of the Chief State’s Attorney – Detecting Fraud and remedies
DSS Protective Services
Opioid Addiction
State and Regional Community Resources for the Elderly
Safety and Security – Aggressive Behavior

September 2018 presentation – Children’s Matters
Diversity Training – Implicit Bias and Cultural Diversity
Overview of Family Support Magistrates and overlapping jurisdiction with the Probate Courts

November 2018 presentation – Decedents’ Estates
Special Needs Trusts
Estate Tax Returns
Insolvent Estates
Topic to cover a new judges training topic

Respectfully submitted,

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