



## CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

### Meeting of the Continuing Education Committee

**Tuesday, March 15, 2022  
1:00 p.m.**

### MINUTES

Present: Hon. Cynthia Becker, Chair; Hon. Michael Brandt; Hon. Domenick Calabrese; Hon. Mark DeGennaro; Hon. Jeannine Lewis; Attorneys Francesca Knerr and Evan Brunetti.

The meeting was conducted via videoconference and in person and was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Judge Becker.

There was discussion of dates, times, and locations for future meetings and returning to in-person attendance. The committee, by consensus, cancelled the April 2022 committee meeting, and the next meeting will be in-person at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator on Tuesday, May 17, 2022. The committee, by consensus, determined to change the regular time of the committee meetings to begin at noon and run through 1:00 p.m.

Brief update was provided regarding June 22, 2022 Probate Assembly seminar and meeting at the Farmington Club. Possible topics include:

- A potential program regarding capacity issues for those under 65. A potential speaker has been approached and planning is moving forward.
- A potential program regarding psychiatric medications, effects, and use of such medications as treatment option. A potential speaker has been nominated and planning will move forward.
- Potential for a panel of judges to discuss best practices for conducting conservator hearings.
- A potential program regarding the Council on Probate Judicial Conduct discussing practices and procedures.
- A potential program about estate tax returns given by the Department of Revenue Services (“DRS”).
- A potential program on forensic accounting and identifying fraud or theft.

A brief update was provided regarding September 21, 2022 Probate Assembly seminar and meeting at the Farmington Club. Possible topics include:

- The Parentage Act, new procedures and areas of jurisdiction
- Parentage (formerly paternity) petitions
- Did you know that?
- Potential program incorporating ethics and professionalism requirement

Next meeting will be May 17, 2022 at noon at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator.

Meeting adjourned by consensus of all members at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hon. Barbara Gardner Riordan,  
Committee Member