

## CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

### Meeting of the Continuing Education Committee

**Wednesday, April 26, 2023**

#### MINUTES

Present: Hon. Michael Brandt; Hon. Domenick Calabrese; Hon. Mark DeGennaro; Hon. Barbara Gardner Riordan; Hon. Martin Landgrebe; Hon. Jeannine Lewis; Attorneys Francesca Knerr and Evan Brunetti.

The meeting was conducted in person at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator, Library in West Hartford, CT and was called to order at 9:45 a.m.

Informal discussion included topics and potential topics for:

##### June Seminar:

- Probate Council on Judicial Conduct
- Court Security
- Regulations 13-16 (fee waivers and e-billing)
- Long Term Care Ombudsman
- Attorney General's Office, Public Charities Unit

##### September Seminar:

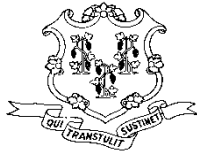
- What Probate Courts need to know about Human Trafficking
- What Probate Courts need to know about Immigration Law including Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)
- Attorney General's Office, Collections/Child Support Unit
- Did You Know? Potpourri of probate topics

##### October Judges Institute:

- Annual Legislative Update
- Potential discussion of jurisdiction, limited statutory authority and powers of Connecticut Probate Courts
- Potential discussion of Rule 35, Probate Bonds & alternatives
- Limited English Proficiency, language, and/or interpreter issues in Probate with an emphasis on access to justice
- Evidence in Children's Matters
- Court Administration and Management, including Code of Probate Judicial Conduct Canon 2

The June and September programs will be held at Central Connecticut State University's, Main Campus in New Britain, CT.

There was discussion regarding the November Joint CBA/Probate Assembly Program which will be held at the Aqua Turf. Committee members Calabrese, Gardener Riorden, and Lewis will part of the planning sub-committee along with Attorney Brunetti. Potential topics that were discussed include: how to



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become a conservator, duties and responsibilities; financial exploitation/fiduciary misappropriation with a potential focus on elder abuse; and probate bonds & restricted accounts.

The next meeting of the Continuing Education Committee will be held in-person on June 28, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator, Library. The meeting schedule for the rest of 2023 is as follows: August 16, October 18, and December 20. All meetings will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator, Library.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus of all members at 10:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hon. Jeannine Lewis  
Committee Chair