



CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

Regular Meeting of the Continuing Education Committee Wednesday, June 28 2023

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Present: Hon. Domenick Calabrese; Hon. Mark DeGennaro; Hon. Barbara Gardner Riordan; Hon. Martin Landgrebe; Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Chair; Attorney Evan Brunetti - PCA.

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 9:36 a.m.

The Committee gave feedback regarding the venue for the June 21, 2023 seminar held at Central Connecticut State University's Memorial Hall in New Britain, CT. All members agreed that it would be a good venue for future programs and that the inclusion of additional periodic breaks was a welcome addition to the program format.

Informal discussion included topics and potential topics for:

September 20, 2023 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, Child Support Enforcement Unit
- Did You Know?

October 25, 2023 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
- Language Interpreters and Other Accommodations
- Evidence in Children's Matters
- Court Administration and Management, including Canon 2.12

The September and October programs will be held at Central Connecticut State University, 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. The planning sub-committee members Calabrese,

Gardner Riordan, Lewis and Brunetti met on May 26 and June 23, 2023. The next meeting of the sub-committee will be on July 14, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. Potential topics that were suggested include: capacity and illnesses impacting judgment/decision making; remedies for financial exploitation/fiduciary misappropriation; probate bonds & restricted accounts; trust modification jurisdiction and practice; Parentage Act and practice; and accountings and fiduciary/attorney fees.

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

The meeting was adjourned by consensus of all members at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Hon. Jeannine Lewis
Committee Chair