

CONNECTICUT PROBATE ASSEMBLY

Meeting of the Continuing Education Committee

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Hon. Cynthia Becker, Chair; Hon. Jeannine Lewis; Hon. Barbara Gardner Riordan; Attorney Francesca Knerr; Attorney Evan Brunetti.

The meeting was conducted in person at the Office of the Probate Court Administrator and was called to order at 12 noon.

Attorney Brunetti reported the CBA was closing their offices in New Britain and will no longer be available as an event venue. The October program is going virtual and will be limited to new legislation. The September 21 Probate Assembly program will be held in person at the Courtyard by Marriott in Cromwell.

There will be an event on November 30, 2022 (Courtyard by Marriott). It will include a Probate Assembly meeting and incorporate newly elected judges training. Topics will likely include a primer on Wills and Trusts; a presentation on diseases and disorders affecting the judgment of a person and capacity by Dr. Pepper; a presentation on constitutional law and due process in probate; implicit bias and gender identity.

There will be an additional educational event on December 16 on evidence. Attorney Christopher Hug will be the speaker. This event is open to judges and court staff attorneys and will be part of the newly elected judges' training.

Discussion of potential topics for 2023 include:

- Council on Probate Judicial Conduct, particularly the procedural process
- Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers
- "Cases from Hades"
- Court Security

Next meeting will be September 21, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. following the educational program.

Meeting adjourned by consensus of all members at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Hon. Barbara Gardner Riordan, Committee Member