

Housing Court Judicial Forum 2024

Meet the judges of the Housing Court

The past few years have changed the procedural landscape of the Housing Court, including changes and updates to scheduling and the manner of conducting hearings. MCLE is pleased to reconvene—for the thirteenth time—the *Housing Court Judicial Forum 2024*—back by popular request. With regulations and statutes first adopted during the emergency and put into practice since, the Housing Court has continued to adapt to those changes and challenges by being flexible and responsive, including tremendous progress in the use of technology and creative use of scheduling to meet the challenges created by that situation and to address the shifting needs of practitioners and litigants. There are lessons to be learned and improvements to be kept from this challenging time.

Hear participants in the *Forum* engage in a lively discussion of the real-world impact of those changes, including the challenges and opportunities involved. Judges from all divisions of the Housing Court, joined by the chief justice of the Housing Court, engage in a frank dialogue with attending practitioners and review key issues confronting Housing Court practice today—including discussion of the efficacy of policies and programs currently in place as well as ideas for providing additional access to justice for all litigants.

Under the guidance of two experienced practitioners, the panel also reviews significant developments in regulatory and case law which may affect your practice in the Housing Court.

This *Forum* offers you a unique opportunity to gain valuable practical insight into judicial discretion in the Housing Court. Attendees have the opportunity to ask the panel questions and hear directly from the judges on how to better prepare and try cases. Don't miss this valuable chance to participate in an important dialogue with members of the Housing Court.

Agenda

- **Procedural and Administrative Issues**
 - Legislative and regulatory changes affecting the Housing Court
 - New developments regarding technology and the Housing Court
- **Substantive Issues**
 - Significant developments in housing law
 - Tips on best practices from the Bench
- **“Ask the Housing Court” Q&A Session**

Faculty

Catherine F. Downing, Esq., *Downing Van Dyke, PC, Natick*, Cochair; Deena Zakim, Esq., *Greater Boston Legal Services, Boston*, Cochair; Hon. Sergio E. Carvajal, *First Justice, Central Division, Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Jorge A. Ghazal, Esq., *Acting Deputy Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Hon. Gustavo del Puerto, *First Justice, Northeast Division, Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Hon. Jonathan J. Kane, *First Justice, Western Division, Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Hon. Joseph E. Kelleher III, *First Justice, Eastern Division, Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Hon. Donna T. Salvidio, *First Justice, Southeast Division, Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Hon. Neil K. Sherring, *First Justice, Metro-South Division, Housing Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*



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Dates & Location

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LIVE WEBCAST

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
2:00 pm–5:00 pm
Program # 2240144WBC

REBROADCAST

Monday, May 13, 2024
12:00 pm–3:00 pm
Program # 2240144RB1

REBROADCAST

Friday, May 17, 2024
9:00 am–12:00 pm
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