

Probate & Family Court Lawyer for the Day Training

Give back to your community by assisting unrepresented litigants

Whether you are just starting out or already have an established family law practice, volunteering as a Lawyer for the Day in the Probate and Family Court is an excellent way to sharpen your skills while giving back to your community. This program provides everything you need to know to effectively assist litigants who appear unrepresented in the Probate and Family Court—and is also helpful in your private practice.

Hear from court personnel and expert family law practitioners in this training designed to provide you with the tools to become a more effective Lawyer for the Day and stronger family law practitioner. Topics include divorce, child support, alimony, paternity, grandparent visitation, and guardianships. Particular attention is paid to both relevant law and practice and procedure.

This program explains how to respond to the most common questions presented to Lawyers for the Day, and provides an opportunity to have your own questions answered.

Don't miss this chance to sharpen your skills and help people, while simultaneously assisting the court with an unmet need.

Agenda

- Overview of the Lawyer for the Day Program, Including the Virtual Lawyer for the Day Program
- Substantive Matters Regularly Handled by the Probate and Family Court—Divorce, Paternity, Child Support, Alimony, Grandparent Visitation, and Guardianships
- Procedural Requirements Encountered in the Practice of Probate and Family Law
- Services Offered by the Department of Revenue
- Discussion of Common Issues and Questions Encountered by Lawyers for the Day in the Probate and Family Court
- “Ask the Experts” Q&A Session

Faculty

Hon. Maureen H. Monks, *First Justice, Middlesex Probate and Family Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*, Cochair; Brian R. Pariser, Esq., *Probate and Family Court Administrative Office, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*, Cochair; Janet Fennell, Esq., *Department of Revenue Child Support Enforcement, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Geraldine Gruvis-Pizarro, Esq., *Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association (VLP), Boston*; Carolin Hetzner, Esq., *Senior Manager of Court Service Centers, Court Service Center, Department of Support Services, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*; Christina Paradiso, Esq., *Supervising Attorney, Community Legal Aid, Worcester*; Gayle Stone-Turesky, Esq., *Wilkinson & Finkbeiner LLP, New Bedford*; Michelle A. Yee, Esq., *Judicial Case Manager, Administrative Office of the Probate and Family Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*



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Dates & Location

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LIVE WEBCAST

Thursday, April 11, 2024
9:30 am–3:30 pm
Program # 2240288WBC

REBROADCAST

Friday, April 26, 2024
9:30 am–3:30 pm
Program # 2240288RB1

REBROADCAST

Monday, May 6, 2024
9:30 am–3:30 pm
Program # 2240288RB2

ON DEMAND WEBCAST

View after Monday, May 6, 2024
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Tuition *(includes written materials)*

- \$35
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Materials

Family Law Advocacy for Low and Moderate Income Litigants ebook, plus speaker materials

- E-materials link emailed upon registration
- Transcript & videorecording emailed 2 weeks post-program

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