

## **CORT Advanced Family Law Training**

November 5-6, 2009

Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington

Columbus, Ohio 43235

**TO:** Ohio, Michigan, and West Virginia Project Directors, Managing Attorneys,  
and Training Responsible Persons

**DATE:** August 12, 2009

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### **DESCRIPTION**

This two-day training is aimed at attorneys who have one or more years of family law experience. The training will cover a wide range of topics that go beyond the basics of domestic relations practice and will be of special interest to legal services attorneys representing low-income clients in family law matters. For those people who are interested, there will be an optional additional session on the evening of the first day offering an in-depth discussion of technology issues impacting victims of domestic violence and stalking.

We have applied for 13 Ohio CLE credits for this training. CORT is a recognized training sponsor in West Virginia.

### **TRAINERS**

Robert Bonthius, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland  
Susan Donofrio, Legal Aid Society of Columbus  
Michael T. Gunner, Attorney at Law, Columbus, Ohio  
Dave Kelly and Daniel Kelley, QDRO Consultants, Co,  
Stephen Lynch, Ninth Coast Guard District Legal Assistance Office  
Alexandria Ruden, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland  
Michael R. Smalz, Ohio Poverty Law Center  
Robin Bozian, Southeastern Ohio Legal Services–Marietta  
Lauren Morrison, Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio

Valenda Applegarth, Greater Boston Legal Services  
Mark E. Sullivan, Attorney at Law, Raleigh, North Carolina  
Steve Lynch, Ninth Coast Guard District Legal Assistance Attorney  
Douglas B. Dougherty, Dougherty, Hanneman & Snedaker, LLC, Columbus, Ohio  
LeeAnn Massucci, Massucci & Kline, Columbus, Ohio  
Lorie L. McCaughan, Capital University Law School  
David Lowenstein, Ph.D., Psychologist, Columbus, Ohio  
Susan Stafffer, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland

## **LOCATION**

The training will take place at the Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington, at 175 Hutchinson Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43235.

## **REGISTRATION FEES**

As a CORT-sponsored event, there is no fee for programs participating in CORT.

For registrants from Ohio, Michigan and West Virginia legal services programs not participating in CORT, the registration fee is the pro-rata share of the net cost of the training plus a surcharge of \$300. For these participants, the registration fee is \$450 for one day or \$600 for two days.

For other participants, the registration fee is the pro rata share of the cost of the training plus 20%. For these participants the registration fee is \$200 for one day or \$350 for two days.

## **ROOM AND BOARD**

CORT will bill programs for the cost of rooms and meals after the training. The daily cost of sleeping rooms is \$99. If participants share rooms, CORT will divide the cost of the room by the number of occupants and bill programs accordingly. The approximate daily cost of meals is \$45. The following meals will be provided and billed: lunch on Thursday and breakfast and lunch on Friday; snack breaks that will be provided are included as part of the registration fee. Dinner is the responsibility of the participant.

## **QUESTIONS?**

Any questions on the substance of the training should be directed to Mike Smalz at 614/221-7201, ext. 129. Questions concerning logistics, reservations, costs or like issues should be addressed to Patricia Brown at 614/221-7201, ext. 107.

## **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Please return your registration no later than **October 13, 2009**, to:  
CORT Advanced Family Law Training  
Ohio State Legal Services Association  
555 Buttles Avenue  
Columbus, OH 43215-1137  
614/221-7201

You will receive a confirmation letter prior to the training. If you do not receive this letter before **October 20, 2009**, please contact Patricia Brown at OSLSA.

## **CANCELLATION DEADLINE**

**The deadline for cancellation is October 28, 2009.** Registrants canceling after this date will be billed for any unavoidable costs incurred as a result of the late cancellation.

# APPLICATION FOR CORT ADVANCED FAMILY LAW TRAINING

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Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington  
175 Hutchinson Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43235

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ATTORNEY REG. # \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BRANCH (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL Address \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

FAX # \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

1. When were you first admitted to practice? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How long have you been practicing with legal services? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Will you be able to be present throughout the entire training (November 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., to November 6, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.)?  
 Yes  
 No—If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

4. The conference will occur at the Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington, Columbus, Ohio 43235, Ohio. Would you like:  
 CORT to make reservations for you to stay at the hotel? (*continue to question 5*)  
or  to find lodging on your own? (*continue to question 8*)

5. Would you like:  
 a single room? (full room price billed to your program; please be sure your program will pay for a single room) (*continue to question 7*)  
or  a double room? (half room price billed to your program) (*continue to question 6*)

6. If you are requesting a double room, do you have a preferred roommate?  
 Yes: (name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 No: If you have no roommate in mind, CORT will attempt to match you with another trainee. Are you:  female  male  smoker  non-smoker

7. Will you be arriving the night before the training (the training starts November 5-6, 2009)?  
 Yes (room reservation will be made if applicable)  
 No

8. If you require any special accommodations of any kind, please indicate those requirements:

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9. If you have special dietary needs, please indicate those needs:

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Other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Applicant's Signature

Date

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Signature of Managing Attorney  
and Project Director

Date

(OSLSA/SEOLS staff must also attach Part I Travel Expense Form)

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**A G E N D A**

**DAY 1**

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Overview of Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) <i>—Michael R. Smalz, OPLC</i>
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Domestic Relations Cases and Public Benefits <i>—Bob Bonthius and Susan Stauffer, LAS Cleveland</i>
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Handling a Custody Case with Domestic Violence <i>—Alexandria Ruden, LAS Cleveland</i> <i>—Susan Donofrio, LAS Columbus</i> <i>—Robin Bozian, SEOLS–Marietta</i>
2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Family Law and VAWA/Immigration Issues <i>—Lauren Morrison, LASSO</i>
3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Domestic Violence, Stalking and Technology <i>—Valenda Applegarth, Greater Boston Legal Services</i>
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	<b>Optional Session:</b> continuing discussion of domestic violence, stalking and technology issues <i>—led by Valenda Applegarth, Greater Boston Legal Services</i>

## DAY 2

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Bankruptcy Law and Domestic Relations Practice <i>—Michael T. Gunner, Attorney at Law</i>
9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Pensions and Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (QDROs) <i>—David Kelley and Daniel Kelley, QDRO Consultants, Inc.</i>
11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Family Law and the Military (Part I) <i>—Mark E. Sullivan, Attorney at Law</i> <i>—Stephen Lynch, Ninth Dist. Coast Guard Reserve</i>
12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Family Law and the Military (Part II) <i>—Mark E. Sullivan, Attorney at Law</i> <i>—Stephen Lynch, Ninth Dist. Coast Guard Reserve</i>
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Direct Examination and Cross Examination of Custody Expert <i>—David Lowenstein, Ph.D.</i> <i>—Douglas Dougherty, Attorney at Law</i> <i>—LeeAnn Massucci, Attorney at Law</i> <i>—Lorie McCaughan, Capital Univ. Law School Family Law Clinic</i>
3:30 p.m.	<b>Closing</b>  <i>Michael R. Smalz, OPLC</i>