

CORT
ADVANCED SUBSTANTIVE HOUSING LAW TRAINING

Weber's Inn
Ann Arbor, Michigan
June 19 -20, 2008

TO: Ohio, Michigan, and West Virginia Project Directors, Managing Attorneys,
and Training Coordinators

FROM: Kerri Ferrari, Michigan Poverty Law Program

DATE: May 6, 2008

TRAINING DESCRIPTION

This 2 day substantive law training is designed for advocates with a basic understanding of federal housing law. The training will consist of presentations about developments affecting low income housing, including:

- the HUD rental housing programs (including responding to threats of loss of HUD housing);
- fair housing law;
- domestic violence/VAWA;
- the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program;
- judicial enforcement of federal housing rights;
- resident ownership of mobile home communities;
- federal legislative and administrative happenings;
- the mortgage foreclosure crisis (not a primary topic)

PRESENTERS (tentative partial list)

Stephen Dane or John Relman, Relman & Dane, Washington, D.C. (fair housing),
Ed Gramlich, National Low Income Housing Coalition, Washington, D.C.
Sandra Park, ACLU Women's Rights Project, New York (domestic violence/VAWA)
Jim Schaafsma, Michigan Poverty Law Program
Cheryl Sessions, ROC-USA, Concord, NH (resident ownership of mobile home parks)
Kate Walz, Shriver Center on Poverty Law, Chicago (threats to HUD assisted housing)

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 cost of the training plus a surcharge of \$300. For these participants, the registration fee is \$600 (\$400 for one day).

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 \$300 (\$175 for one day).

ROOM AND BOARD

The training will take place at the Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor, Michigan (3050 Jackson Rd.). Room and board will be billed to participants' programs after the training. Approximate cost of the rooms is \$87.00 per day; approximate cost of meals, including breaks, is \$50 per day. Breakfast, lunch, dinner and break refreshments will be provided.

If you have any logistical questions, call Kerri Ferrari (734) 998-6100, x24 or email kdr@umich.edu . For questions regarding the substance of the training, call Jim Schaafsma (734) 998-6100, x21 or email jschaafs@umich.edu .

CANCELLATION DEADLINE

The deadline for cancellation of your registration for attendance, room and/or meals is June 9, 2008. Registrants canceling after this date will be billed for any unavoidable costs incurred as a result of the late cancellation.

RETURN APPLICATION NO LATER THAN May 23, 2008 TO:

Kerri Ferrari, Michigan Poverty Law Program
611 Church Street, Suite 4A, Ann Arbor, MI 48104-3000
FAX (734) 998-9125

* Breakfast, lunch, and breaks will be provided. Meals, including breaks will be approximately \$50 per day. Your program will be billed for all meals provided at the training. Please note above any dietary requirements you have.

You will receive a confirmation letter with directions to the training site before the training. If you don't receive this letter by June 2, 2008, please contact Kerri Ferrari at MPLP.

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Please fill in all blanks

NAME: _____

PROGRAM NAME: _____ BRANCH (if any): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

WORK PHONE _____ FAX # _____

You will be assigned double sleeping accommodations, unless you specifically indicate otherwise.

Please indicate which nights you need a room: Wednesday. (6/18) Thursday. (6/19)

Please indicate your roommate preference below:

female male smoker non-smoker

single room

I will make my own lodging arrangements

Do you have a preferred roommate? (Name) _____

* State any dietary requirements you have: _____

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Applicant's Signature

Date

Signature of Managing Attorney
and/or Project Director

Date

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TENTATIVE AGENDA (i.e. subject to change)

Thursday, June 19

10 am-Noon

**Recent Developments Affecting the HUD and LIHTC Rental Programs,
and the Benefits of Coalition Building**

*Ed Gramlich, National Low Income Housing Coalition, Washington, D.C.
Jim Schaafsma, Michigan Poverty Law Program*

Noon-1pm – LUNCH

1 -2:30 pm

Housing Rights of Domestic Violence Survivors under VAWA and Fair Housing Law

Sandra Park, ACLU Womens' Rights Project, New York

2:30-4:30 pm (including break)

Resident Ownership of Mobile Home Communities

Cheryl Sessions, ROC-USA, New Hampshire

4-6pm

Perspectives from 3 States on Responding to the Mortgage Foreclosure Crisis

Friday, June 20

9 -10:30 am

Seeking Judicial Enforcement of Rights under Federal Statutes and Regulations

Gil Seinfeld, University of Michigan Law School (invited)

10:30 am-12:30 pm

Strategies for Responding to Threats of Loss of HUD Assisted Rental Units

Kate Walz, National Center on Poverty Law, Chicago

12:30-1:30 pm – LUNCH

1:30-3:30 pm (including break)

Recent Developments and Advocacy Opportunities in Fair Housing Law

Stephen Dane or John Relman, Relman & Dane, Washington D.C.