

Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services

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TALS provides continuing legal education (CLE) training sessions throughout the year to help meet our mission of educating advocates about civil legal issues.

Family Law Task Force CLE: Domestic Violence Bootcamp

May 17, 2019 * Please note this CLE does NOT take place at the TALS office, details below.

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The training will be held at the Sexual Assault Center in Metro Center at 101 French Landing Drive, Nashville, TN 37228. Lunch is included and parking at SAC is free. All posted times are central standard time. If you have any questions, please contact Jacquie Telfer at jacquie@stewartclifton.com

9:00am - 10:00am: How to Try a DV Case

How to cross examine respondents, admit evidence including social media; litigating 50/50 cases (testimony only, lack of other evidence), stalking cases, sexual assault, witness preparation, courtroom presentation including the order in which witnesses appear. Is there anything different about litigating a DV case versus a non-DV case? If so, what is the difference and how to address it.

Presenter: Judge Robert Headrick

10:00am - 11:00am: Domestic Violence – A View From the Bench

In this session, Judge Vicki Snyder will discuss her perspective of domestic violence cases. This will assist attorneys in understanding domestic violence cases from the bench.

Presenter: Judge Vicki Snyder

11:00am - 12:00pm: How to Try a DV Case (cont'd)

Presenter: Judge Robert Headrick

12:00pm - 1:00pm: Lunch from Calypso Cafe

1:00pm – 2:00pm: Negotiating a DV Case

Practice tips for negotiating with an abuser; what is negotiation and what is continued abuse? How to achieve client goals despite a traumatized client, and despite an abuser who wants continued control over the client. The difference, if any, between negotiating with a pro se abuser and the abuser's attorney.

Presenter: Kathryn Ellis

2:00pm - 3:00 pm: Orders of Protection, Advanced Tactics & Strategies

Best practices for litigating OPs where the DV is a close call; stalking cases; sexual assault cases; settle or litigate? What to ask for and when.

Presenter: Deborah Yeomans-Barton

3:00pm - 4:00 pm: Discussion: "All Family Law is Client Management"

– If all family law is client management, what does that mean in the context of domestic violence? What are best practices for client management? Are there any extra steps necessary when clients have been traumatized by DV? What about "non-virtuous clients," i.e. those who have issues including traumatization, poverty, criminal record, bad parenting, bad hygiene, alcoholism, drug abuse, etc. and who may have little exposure to the legal system except through jail?

Panel: Aimee Luna, Darkenya Waller, Deborah, Zimmerle

CLE Faculty Guide

The Tennessee Bar Association provides several resources for those providing CLE training. Visit the CLE Faculty Guide to see these useful resources.

About TALS' Training Sessions

A primary service offered by TALS includes training opportunities for attorneys, paralegals, and advocates within the legal services arena. Each year the organization holds multiple CLE trainings on various issues of substantive law, advocacy strategy, and administrative issues. The topics are chosen by the TALS task forces, representing the following areas:

- Employment Law
- Family Law
- Immigration Law
- Special Education/Juvenile Justice Law
- Health / Benefits / DCS Law
- Housing/Consumer Law

These trainings are generally a partial or full day in duration, and are often available through our online training software for viewing after the event. Some events are also simulcast on the Internet for viewing during the training. For additional information about upcoming or previous trainings, please contact TALS' Executive Director Ann Pruitt.

All trainings are at TALS' office (50 Vantage Way, Suite 250, Nashville, TN 37228) unless otherwise indicated. Lunches are provided with training fees, as applicable. Parking at TALS is free in all lots touching the 50 Vantage Way parking lot. All posted times are central standard time.

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