



Family Court Professional Collaborative Presents: *Family Law Boot Camp – Part II – Beyond the Basics*



Presenters: Honorable Judges' Donna P. Berlin and Peter R. Ramsberger, Hearing Officer/Magistrate Laura Hale, Court Operations Manager, Monica Ausborn, Court Administrator Walter Smith, and Attorneys: Elizabeth Loeffler, Deborah J. Blue, Carmen R. Gillett, Phillip J. Schipani, and R. Lynette Mancuso.

This conference will focus on Honing the Skills of the Family Law Practitioner. The morning presentations will include the Sarasota County Judiciary with special guest, Judge Peter R. Ramsberger from the 6th Circuit on the issues of parentage, addressing the complex issues related to establishment & disestablishment of paternity. Then, Magistrate Laura Hale will present on issues of Child Support and Department Of Revenue, followed by a presentation by the Court Operations Manager Monica Ausborn and Court Administrator Walter Smith on the new Self-Help Center. Lunch will include resources concerning Special Needs children. The afternoon program will consist of presentations by Elizabeth Loeffler, Esquire and Deborah J. Blue, Esquire on Cross-Examining Expert Witnesses, Carmen R. Gillett, Esquire on Domestication of Foreign Judgements, and Phillip Schipani, Esquire on Handling Cases Involving Special Needs Children. The day will conclude with Lynette Mancuso, Esquire presenting on Creating a Top Notch Practice Without Spending a Dime. The FCPC is applying for CLEs and CMEs for this event.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019 - 9:00 A.M - 5:00 P.M.
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Family Law Boot Camp II: Beyond the Basics

Honing the Skills of the Family Law Practitioner

Friday, February 15, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.: **Introduction with Stephanie Roth, FCPC President and Judge Donna P. Berlin, FCPC Judiciary Liaison**

9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.: **Addressing Complex Issues Related to the Establishment & Disestablishment of Paternity presented by Judge Donna P. Berlin and Judge Peter R. Ramsberger, 6th Judicial Circuit**

This presentation will focus on the various challenges attorneys and judges face when paternity cannot easily be determined. By analyzing various scenarios, participants will be able to gain a better understanding of how to identify paternity issues in complex cases and achieve a legally sound outcome when possible.

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.: Break

10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.: **Child Support and Department of Revenue: Unlocking the Title IV-D Mystery presented by Hearing Officer/Magistrate Laura M. Hale**

This presentation will provide an overview of Florida child support laws and the role of the Department of Revenue in child support cases, including the history of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, and how private practitioners can navigate a child support case when the Department of Revenue is involved. The presentation will cover a myriad of Florida Statutes, case law, what the law says must be in a child support order, income withholding orders, modifications of child support, and contempt/enforcement.

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.: **Judge Lee E. Haworth Self Help Center and Law Library presented by Court Administrator Walter Smith and Court Operations Manager Monica Ausborn** *How the new Self-Help Center and Law Library can assist Family Law Professionals in the 12th Circuit Court.*

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Lunch

12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.: **Community Resources for Families with Special Needs Children and/or Parents: Facilitated by Shaun P. Hoyle, CPE** *Agencies & Businesses will introduce themselves and provide a brief overview of their services offered to families with Special Needs parents and/or children.*

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.: **“The Dos and Don’ts of Cross-Examining Expert Witnesses” presented by Elizabeth Loeffler, Esq.** *This presentation will focus on how to prepare for Cross-examination of an expert witness.*

1:45 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.: Break

1:50 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.: **“The Dos and Don’ts of Cross-Examining Expert Witnesses” presented by Deborah J. Blue, Esq.** *This presentation will follow preparation, focusing on techniques when cross-examining an expert witness including a role-play.*

2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.: Break

2:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.: **You CAN Take It With You! Presented by Carmen R. Gillett, Esq.** *This presentation will cover the Domestication of Foreign Family Law Judgments.*

3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.: Break

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.: **Addressing Special Needs Children in Family Law Cases presented by Phillip J. Schipani, Esq.** *How to handle cases with Special Needs children including EIP/504 plans.*

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: **How To Create A Top Notch Family Law Practice Without Spending A Dime – R. Lynette Mancuso, Esq.** *Practical tips compiled from over 34 years of law practice.*