



# The Office of the Child's Representative

## Doubling Down on Your Legal Advocacy for Children

### - AGENDA - September 10-11, 2017

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September 10, 2017	8:45 - 9:45 a.m.	■ <i>Registration (Continental Breakfast Provided)</i>
	9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	<b>Opening Comments &amp; Innovations in Legal Advocacy for Children—Summit</b> <i>Linda Weinerman, Executive Director, Office of the Child's Representative</i> <i>Diego Conde, Former Foster Care Youth</i>
	10:45 - 12:00 p.m.	<b>1) Playing Your Cards Right with UCCJEA Challenges —Peaks (Linda)</b> <i>Hon. Angela Arkin, Retired Judge 18th Judicial District</i> <i>Josie McCauley, Esq. (1.8 CLE)</i> <b>2) Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)—Summit (Ashley)</b> <i>Emily Peeler, American Bar Association Center and Children &amp; Law</i> <i>Danny Jackson, Esq., Kristin Myers, CDE, Cindy Threet, Esq., Lisa Weiss, CDE</i> <b>3) Understanding &amp; Mitigating Compassion Fatigue in the Legal Profession —Cliffside (Sheri)</b> <i>Sarah Myers, COLAP (ethics)</i>
	12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	■ <i>Lunch &amp; Networking—Summit</i>
	1:00 - 2:45 p.m.	<b>Excellence in Independent Investigation Required by CJD 04-06—Summit (Linda)</b> 1) <b>JD Requirements</b> —Ranae Sharshel, Esq. & Jason Berns, Esq. (Peaks B) (Ashley) 2) <b>Diligent Search and Relative Engagement</b> —Kurt Metzger, Esq. & Beth Padilla, Esq. (Peaks A) (Linda) 3) <b>Observations of Children and Parents</b> — Ruth Acheson, Esq., Debra Campeau, Esq, Chip Cutler, Esq, Scott Sabin, MSW (Cliffside B) (Sheri) 4) <b>Engaging Youth</b> - Lisa Hilbig, Esq., Wendy Hammack-Smith, Esq., Cara Nord, Esq. (Cliffside A) (Cara) 5) <b>Placement Visits</b> — Jenna Mazzucca, Esq., Meghan Scott, Esq. (Summit A) (Ashley) 6) <b>Educational Assessment</b> —Megan Curtis, Esq., Chris Henderson, Esq. (Summit B) (Sheri)
	2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	■ <i>Afternoon Break</i>
	3:00 - 4:30 p.m.	1) <b>Through an Appellate Lens: Effective Advocacy Throughout Your Representation</b> — Alison Bettenberg, Esq., Sheri Danz, Esq., Kristin Marburg, Esq., Barry Meinster, Esq. & Josi McCauley, Esq. (Summit) (Sheri) 2) <b>Ante Up Your Advocacy in D&amp;N Cases and CR Issues</b> —Laura Locke, Esq. & Samantha Walls, Esq. (Peaks) (Cara) 3) <b>Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</b> —Matt Cloven, ARC, Ed Rodgers, Esq., & Maggie Green, Esq. (Cliffside) (Ashley)
	4:30 - 6:00 p.m.	■ <i>Please join us for a Networking Reception!</i>



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September 11, 2017	7:30 - 8:30 a.m.	■ <i>Registration (Breakfast Buffet—Centennial Buffet)</i>
	8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	<b>1) ICWA’s Secret Pitfalls: I Can’t Wait for the Appeal</b> <i>Debra Dodd, Esq., Jennifer Lundin, Esq. (Peaks)</i> <b>2) Overrepresentation of Minority &amp; Impoverished Youth in Colorado Systems: Causes and Potential Cures</b> <i>Dr. Tiko Hardy, LSW, PsyD, Cara Nord, Esq., OCR (Cliffside)</i>
	10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	■ <i>Coffee Break</i>
	10:15 - 11:45 a.m.	<b>1) OCR/ORPC: Creative Treatment Options—Moral Reconciliation Therapy</b> <i>Dr. Joyce Smith, Clinical Director (Summit)</i> <b>2) Using Experts to Present Your Case Through the Eyes of the Child</b> <i>Mary McWilliams, Esq. (Hospitality 907&amp;909)</i>
	11:45 - 1:30 p.m.	<b>Keynote Lunch Session with ORPC (Summit)</b> <b>What Does Reasonable Efforts Mean in a D&amp;N Case</b> <i>Hon. Leonard Edwards, Santa Clara Superior Court (Ret.)</i> Presentation—75 minutes (ethics)
	1:30 - 3:00 p.m.	<b>1) OCR/ORPC: When Worlds Collide, Ethical Conflicts in Representing Parts of the Whole Family</b> <i>Hon. Gail Meinster, Jefferson County, Jonathon Carlson, Esq., Lauren Dingboom, Esq., Christina Fulmer, Esq., Peggy Fulks, Esq. (Summit) (ethics)</i> <b>2) AN Ace Up Your Sleeve: Effective Legal Advocacy in JD &amp; Truancy Cases</b> <i>Lori Hughes, Esq., Jeff Ruff, Esq. (Hospitality 907/909)</i>
	3:00 - 3:15 p.m.	■ <i>Coffee Break</i>
	3:15—4:45 p.m.	<b>1) OCR/ORPC: The Colorado Safety &amp; Risk Tools: Understanding the Purpose of the Tools</b> <i>Laura Solomon, CDHS, James Connell, CDHS, Steve Benson, Esq., Alison Baker Jensen, Esq. (Summit)</i> <b>2) Legal Advocacy in Cases Involving Competency: Holding All the Cards—</b> <i>Sheri Danz, Esq., Tracy Maguire, Esq., Diana Richett, Esq. (Hospitality 907 &amp; 909)</i>