

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

**Committee on Children and the Law  
2015 Robert J. Schack Memorial Program**

**Friday, January 30, 2015**  
9:00 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

**New York Hilton Midtown**

Beekman Suite, Second Floor | 1335 Avenue of the Americas (between 53rd and 54th Streets) NYC

**One Family, Two States:  
Interstate and International Challenges for New York's  
Family Law Practitioners**

**3.5 MCLE Credits**

(3.5 Credits in Areas of Professional Practice)

This program will focus on multi-state and international child custody issues, also presenting two-state issues in child support, juvenile and child welfare proceedings. Uniform acts, interstate compacts, and other pertinent statutes, and the Hague Convention, will be surveyed, with guidelines for the practitioner navigating these less frequently encountered but difficult cases.

**Register Online**

<http://www.nysba.org/AM2015Children>

**Program Agenda**

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| 8:30-9:00 a.m. | Registration   |
| 9:00-9:05      | <b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b><br><i>George E. Reed, Jr., Esq., Program Chair</i>  |
| 9:05-9:55      | <b>Practice under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) and Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act (PKPA)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• State Procedural Protections for Families Residing in Different States; Interstate Testimony and Evidence; Short and Long Term Ramifications of Child Custody Determinations</li><li>• Initial and Exclusive Continuing Jurisdiction</li><li>• Temporary Emergency Jurisdiction</li><li>• Simultaneous Proceedings: The Nightmare and the Remedy</li><li>• Enforcement and Appeals</li></ul> <p><i>Speaker: William L. Koslosky, Esq.</i></p> <p><i>(1.0 credit in areas of professional practice)</i></p> |

**9:55-10:20**

**International Practice under the Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of Child Abduction and the International Child Abduction Remedies Act**

- Background and History
- Purpose of the Convention and ICARA
- Claims in a Hague Convention/ICARA Case
- Defenses
- Venue, Forum and Other Issues

*Speaker:*     **Carolyn A. Kubitschek, Esq.**

*(0.5 credit in areas of professional practice)*

**10:20-10:30**

Coffee Break

**10:30-11:20**

**The Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC): Its Applicability in Family Court Act Article Six and Article Ten Proceedings, and Obtaining Favorable Results for a Client When the Compact Applies**

- Practice under the Compact: How to Advocate With Other States and Expedite the Process
- Choice of Law
- Issues of Ongoing Jurisdiction
- Article 6 Custody and Article Ten Removal and Dispositional Orders

*Speakers:*     **Pamela Scheininger, Esq. and Gary S. Solomon, Esq.**

*(1.0 credit in areas of professional practice)*

**11:20-11:45**

**Practice under the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA) and Other Provisions Governing Multi-State Family Law Practice**

- The Uniform Interstate Family Support Act
- International Child Support Disputes
- Miscellaneous Issues in Multi-State Family Law Practice

*Speaker:*     **Professor Merrill Sobie**

*(0.5 credit in areas of professional practice)*

**11:45-12:10**

**Panel Discussion: Interstate and International Challenges in Family Law Practice**

*(0.5 credit in areas of professional practice)*

**12:10 p.m.**

**Adjournment**

## Program Faculty

Committee Chair | **Betsy R. Ruslander, Esq.**, Director, Office of Attorneys for Children, Appellate Division, Third Department, Albany

Program Chair | **George E. Reed, Jr., Esq.**, White Plains

Panelists:

**William L. Koslosky, Esq.**, Utica

**Carolyn A. Kubitschek**, Lansner & Kubitschek, New York City

**Pamela Scheininger, Esq.**, Court Attorney Referee, Family Court, New York County

**Prof. Merril Sobie**, Pace University School of Law

**Gary Solomon, Esq.**, The Legal Aid Society, New York City

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### About Robert J. Schack

Robert J. Schack was a founding member of the New York State Bar Association Committee on Children and the Law and, for many years, Chair of the Legislative Subcommittee. A supervising attorney at the New York State Attorney General's Office, Mr. Schack represented the State in several landmark juvenile justice and child welfare cases. He was a tireless advocate for children's rights and interests, and contributed enormously to the Committee's and Bar Association's achievements.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Under New York's MCLE rule, this program has been approved for a total of 3.5 credit hours (3.5 Areas of Professional Practice).

**Discounts and Scholarships:** New York State Bar Association members may apply for a discount or scholarship to attend this program, based on financial hardship. Any member of the Association who has a genuine basis of financial hardship can receive a discount or scholarship, depending on the circumstances. To apply for a discount or scholarship, please send your request in writing to the New York State Bar Association, Attn: Simone Smith, One Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207 or via e-mail [ssmith@nysba.org](mailto:ssmith@nysba.org).

#### Special Note for Attorneys Representing Children and Family Court Assigned Counsel Panel

**Members:** Attorneys for Children and Family Court (and Family Court appeals) Assigned Counsel panel members who are members of the New York State Bar Association are eligible to apply for a fee waiver for this program. If you qualify, you cannot register online. You must download the waiver form at <http://www.nysba.org/ChildrenandtheLaw>, attach it to the completed Annual Meeting Registration Form, and fax or mail back the completed forms to the number/address listed. To inquire about these waivers, please contact Simone Smith at (518) 487-5591. All waivers must be received by **Friday, January 16, 2015**. No waivers can be issued after the cutoff date. Please note that if you are not a member of the New York State Bar Association, the \$200 nonmember surcharge cannot be waived.

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