

Redeeming the Pledge...“And Justice for All”

Thursday, September 14, 2017 | 8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law | 55 Fifth Avenue | NYC

Program Agenda

8:00 a.m. **Registration**

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Introductory Conference Remarks**

Speaker:

Professor Alexander Reinert | Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

9:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. **Access to Justice in the Civil Context: Housing, Family & Developments in Civil Gideon**

2.0 MCLE Credits in Professional Practice

Moderators:

David Udell, Esq. | National Center for Access to Justice
Professor Andrew Scherer | New York Law School

The Civil Legal Aid Movement, the Civil Right to Counsel and the Access to Justice Gap

Speakers:

David Udell, Esq. | National Center for Access to Justice
Adriene Holder, Esq. | The Legal Aid Society Civil Practice

Obstacles to Improving Family Court Assigned Counsel Representation

Speaker: **Professor Angela Burton** | NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services

Exploring Civil Gideon

Speaker: **Councilman Mark Levine**

Recent Developments in Housing Rights and Housing Law. And What’s Next

Speaker: **Professor Andrew Scherer** | New York Law School

10:50 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. **Access to Justice Issues Arising During Pre and Post Arrest**

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Tim Rountree, Esq. | The Legal Aid Society, Criminal Defense Division

Evolving Notions of Access to Justice in the Pre-Arrest Context

Speaker: **Justine Olderman, Esq.** | The Bronx Defenders

Exploring Ways to Prevent Wrongful Convictions: A prophylactic rule to prevent Brady violations, the elements of a well-designed conviction integrity unit and critical discovery reforms

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Speaker: **Nina Morrison, Esq.** | Innocence Project

Post-Conviction Access to Justice

Speaker: **Christina Swarns, Esq.** | Office of the Appellate Defender

11:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.

Access to Justice Issues Arising During and After Incarceration

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Tim Rountree, Esq. | The Legal Aid Society, Criminal Defense Division

Access to Justice: Challenging Solitary Confinement, Pursuing Higher Education and Preparing for the Parole Board and Reintegration

Speaker: **Glenn E. Martin** | JustLeadershipUSA

Overview of Legal Representation Issues for People Facing Reentry, Restoration Rights and the Nuts and Bolts of New York’s New Sealing Statute (CPL 160.59)

Speaker: **Alan Rosenthal, Esq.** |

A Root Cause of Mass Incarceration

Speaker: **Mujahid Farid** | Release Aging People in Prison, Columbia School of Social Work

1:50 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Seeking Access to Justice in Immigration Courts: Guaranteeing the Availability of Counsel

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Joanne Macri, Esq. | NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services

Developing the Process of Assessing the Availability and Adequacy of Counsel in Immigration Proceedings

Speaker: **Professor Peter Markowitz** | Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

The Benefits of Supporting Collaborative Efforts to Ensure Access to Counsel in Immigration Proceedings

Speaker: **Annie Chen, Esq.** | Vera Institute of Justice

The Fight for the Right to Assignment of Counsel in Immigration Proceedings

Speaker: **Jojo Annobil, Esq.** | Immigrant Justice Corps

The Right to Non-Attorney Representation in Immigration Proceedings and the Impact of Immigration Reform

Speaker: **Camille Mackler, Esq.** | Director of Legal Initiatives, New York Immigration Coalition

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History of the NYSBA’s Immigration Portal and Demonstration

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Kristen Wagner, Esq. | New York State Bar Association

Yuriy Pereyaslavskiy, Esq. | New York State Bar Association

3:30 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.

Refreshment Break

3:40 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Inspirational Panel

Speakers:

Hon. Janet M. DiFiore | Chief Judge, NYS Court of Appeals

Jonathan Gradess | Former Executive Director, NYS Defenders Association

4:30 p.m.

Adjournment