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Golden Nugget Casino and Resort, Las Vegas, Nevada

schedule of Events



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Budget Committee Meeting — Hillcrest Room

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Nominations Committee Meeting — Merion Room

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Registration — Oakmont Room

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Executive Committee Meeting — Hillcrest Room

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Reception for new members and first-time attendees — Pine Valley Room

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception — Augusta/Pebble Beach Rooms

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Vendor area open — Bel Air Foyer

7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration — Oakmont Room

8:15 – 9:15 a.m.

Opening Ceremonies — Bel Air Room

PRESIDING: Hon. Tam Nomoto Schumann, President, AJA

GREETINGS: Oscar Goodman, Mayor, City of Las Vegas

Hon. Jean-Paul Decoste, President, Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges

Hon. James Hardesty, Chief Justice, Nevada Supreme Court

9:15 – 10:35 a.m.

Plenary Education Session — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Procedural Fairness: The Key to Public Satisfaction*

Procedural fairness is the key to public satisfaction with the courts. First, fair procedures matter far more than winning or losing in the impressions participants take away from court. Second, when participants perceive that procedures were fair, there is greater compliance with court orders. Third, courts can better organize to promote fair procedures and judges can improve their bench performance to demonstrate fair procedures. This program seeks to inspire court leaders and judges to improve both real and perceived fairness in court. By doing so, we can better meet the public trust we have with the people we serve.

FACULTY: Hon. Kevin Burke, Hennepin County (Minnesota) District Court
Hon. Steve Leben, Kansas Court of Appeals

10:35 – 10:50 a.m. — Break — Bel Air Foyer

10:50 a.m. – Noon

Plenary Education Session — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Procedural Fairness (continued)*

Noon – 1:30 p.m. — Lunch on your own

1:30 – 2:55 p.m.

Concurrent Education Sessions

TRACK A — Augusta Room

TOPIC: *Understanding the Senior Moment: Judicial Response to Elders before the Court*

This program will present the clinical aspect of aging and discuss court proceedings involving the elderly. The first half of this presentation will address normal aging changes, the indicia of dementia/Alzheimer's and the various stages of these diseases, and undue influence and how it can be perpetrated against both those with capacity issues and those whose capacity is intact but who are isolated and alone. The second half of the presentation will focus on appropriate protective proceedings and the impact on the elder of such proceedings. The difficulty of accessing the court for elders will also be discussed, including unintended bias or "reverse ageism."

FACULTY: Hon. Marjorie Carter, Orange County (California) Superior Court
Hon. John Conery, 16th Judicial District Court, Franklin, Louisiana
Hon. Sheila Fell, Orange County (California) Superior Court

Hon. Kim Hubbard, Orange County (California) Superior Court

Dr. Bonnie J. Olsen, Clinical Psychologist, University of California-Irvine, Department of Family Medicine

TRACK B — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Judicial Ethics*

The session will highlight the chronic problems that result in discipline and current issues in judicial ethics by discussing recent cases involving disqualification (including *Caperton v. A.T. Massey Coal* decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in June), ex parte communications, ticket fixing, judicial discord, demeanor, and judicial diligence.

FACULTY: Cynthia Gray, Director, Center for Judicial Ethics, American Judicature Society

2:55 – 3:10 p.m. — Break — Bel Air Foyer

3:10 – 4:30 p.m.

Concurrent Education Sessions

TRACK A — Augusta Room

TOPIC: *Understanding the Senior Moment (continued)*

TRACK B — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *The Link Between Animal Cruelty and Violence to Persons*

Violence toward animals has long been recognized as an accurate predictor of future violent conduct. A significant number of notorious criminals have a documented history of deliberately harming animals. There is also a striking correlation between animal abuse and family violence. This session will discuss the historical perspective of this "link of violence" as well as the current trends in addressing the topic. Judges can combat violence and improve public safety by recognizing the significance of crimes involving animals and treating the offenders appropriately. (Note: no photographs depicting extreme graphic violence will be shown.)

FACULTY: Diane E. Balkin, Esq., Chief Deputy District Attorney, Denver, Colorado

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:30 – 9:00 a.m.

AJF Officers & Trustees Meeting — Pine Valley Room

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

House of Delegates Meeting — Merion Room

7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Vendor area open — Bel Air Foyer

9:00 – 10:20 a.m.

Plenary Education Session — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Evidence Leadership: Keys for Making Successful Rulings on the Admissibility of Stuff*

FACULTY: Hon. William G. Young, U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts

10:20 – 10:40 a.m. — Break — Bel Air Foyer

10:40 a.m. – Noon

Plenary Education Session — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Steering the Best Course Through Choppy Waters: A New Rationale for Case Management*

This session will explore why judicial case management is even more relevant in these turbulent financial times. The session will examine recent research on case management by both NJC and IAALS and engage the participants in a discussion of emerging best practices. The speakers will also look back on the "strengths of what works" aspects of case management and discuss the importance of knowing your caseload; the needs and expectations of court users; ideas for efficient docket scheduling; and why some courts perform better than others and the impact of case management data on public confidence and evaluation of judges.

FACULTY: Hon. William Dressel, National Judicial College

Rebecca Love Kourlis, Executive Director, Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System, Denver, Colorado

Noon – 1:30 p.m.

AJA Awards/AJF Luncheon — Augusta/Pebble Beach Rooms

1:30 – 2:55 p.m.

Concurrent Education Sessions

TRACK A — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Case Management: Tools and Best Practices*

This interactive workshop is especially designed to allow participants to share current best practices for managing caseloads fairly and efficiently in an environment stressed by shrinking resources. An expert panel of court managers and personnel necessary for the orderly processing of cases will serve as a team of consultants for this engaging session.

MODERATOR: Hon. William Dressel, National Judicial College

PANELISTS: Marcus Reinkensmeyer, Immediate Past President, National Association for Court Management
 Marilyn Sanchez, NCRA
 Robert Alvarado, CourtCall
 Suzanne Stinson, President, National Association for Court Management

TRACK B — Shoal Creek Room

TOPIC: *Do Specialized Courts Work and How Judges Can Be Effective in Developing Specialized Sessions or Specialized Courts*

A panel of judges discusses the history and basic principles of drug courts, setting up sobriety courts dealing with drunk drivers and applying the principles and techniques of drug courts to small and part-time courts.

FACULTY: Hon. Richard B. Kayne, Medical Lake (Washington) Municipal Court
 Hon. Brian MacKenzie, District Court, Novi, Michigan
 Hon. Jeffrey Rosinek, 11th Judicial Circuit Court (ret.), Miami, Florida

2:55 – 3:10 p.m. — Break — Bel Air Foyer

3:10 – 4:30 p.m.

Concurrent Education Sessions

TRACK A — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *The Problem with Domestic Violence: How to Handle Difficult Issues from the Bench*

This interactive workshop is designed to address complex issues in domestic violence cases. Attendees are encouraged to raise issues with which they are struggling in their courts. The panel will also discuss “best practices,” based on their many years of experience working in specialized DV courts, and innovative solutions.

FACULTY: Hon. Ronald B. Adrine, Cleveland Municipal Court
 Hon. Elizabeth Pollard Hines, 15th District Court, Ann Arbor, Michigan
 Hon. Sydney Hanlon, Massachusetts Court of Appeals

TRACK B — Shoal Creek Room

TOPIC: *Providing Personal Safety for Judges and Their Families*

This workshop will highlight successful security techniques and commonsense approaches to minimize personal safety risks at home and during your commute to work. A simple approach to enhancing personal safety is learning to be alert and developing a plan for you and your family to react safely to unexpected, dangerous, and possibly life-threatening situations.

FACULTY: Timothy F. Fautsko, Principal Court Management Consultant, Court Services Division, National Center for State Courts

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

AJF Fundraiser Reception

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Committee Meetings — Please refer to schedule in packets

7:30 a.m. – Noon

Vendor area open — Bel Air Foyer

9:00 – 10:20 a.m.

Plenary Education Session — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Assessing Dangerousness: Myths and Research*

FACULTY: Ronald Schouten, JD/MD, Director, Law and Psychiatry Service, Massachusetts General Hospital, Associate Professor, Harvard Medical School

10:20 – 10:40 a.m. — Break — Bel Air Foyer

10:40 a.m. – Noon

Plenary Education Session — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Supreme Court of the United States Review of Recent Decisions of Significance to State Court Judges*

FACULTY: Erwin Chemerinsky, Founding Dean, University of California-Irvine School of Law

Noon – 1:30 p.m. — Lunch on your own

1:30 – 2:55 p.m.

Concurrent Education Sessions

TRACK A — Augusta Room

TOPIC: *AMBER ALERT: Legal Issues Surrounding Missing Children*

This program provides judges with a brief history of AMBER ALERT; a discussion of potential legal issues in such cases, including Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Amendment concerns; and an analysis of case law from throughout the United States.

FACULTY: Hon. Mark J. McGinnis, Outagamie County Circuit Court, Wisconsin

TRACK B — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Managing Cases Involving Persons with Mental Disabilities*

Judges face increasing challenges when having to address the needs of people who have mental disabilities and seem caught in a revolving door, coming into contact again and again with the criminal justice system. Faculty will lead a discussion of the current environment, the challenges faced by judges, and the research and possible best practices for addressing the particular needs of the mentally ill in court.

FACULTY: Hon. Mr. Justice Richard D. Schneider, JD/Ph.D, Ontario (Canada) Court of Justice
 Ronald Schouten, JD/MD, Director, Law and Psychiatry Service, Massachusetts General Hospital, Associate Professor, Harvard Medical School

2:55 – 3:10 p.m. — Break — Bel Air Foyer

3:10 – 4:30 p.m.

Concurrent Education Sessions

TRACK A — Bel Air Room

TOPIC: *Managing Cases Involving Juveniles Who Offend Sexually*

At least 20% of all sexual offenses in the United States are thought to be committed by juveniles. Juvenile offending can turn into a lifelong problem of massive proportions. In this cutting-edge session, an expert on the subject will identify and discuss some of the most recent research in the area of risk factors and the relationship of that research to identifying the possibilities of more effective treatment.

FACULTY: Fabian M. Saleh, MD, Law and Psychiatry Service, Massachusetts General Hospital, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

TRACK B — Augusta Room

TOPIC: *Managing Criminal Cases Involving Persons Who Are or May Be Disabled by Mental Illness or Behavioral Disorders: What About Those Mental Health Courts*

Two judges will respond to a factual situation presented to them about a criminal defendant who suffers from serious mental illness. The judges will describe how such a defendant may become a participant in their respective mental health court and discuss their court's program for that defendant. Judges who attend this session can learn how mental health courts operate and how to establish this type of court in their jurisdiction.

FACULTY: Hon. Daniel Eisenstein, Davidson County General Sessions Court, Nashville, Tennessee

Hon. John B. Williams, Kansas City Municipal Court

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

General Assembly Meeting — Bel Air Room

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Board of Governors Meeting — Pebble Beach Room

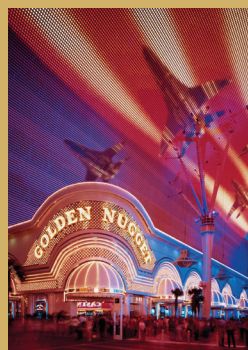
6:00 – 7:00 p.m. — President's Reception — Bel Air Foyer

7:00 – 11:00 p.m. — Installation Dinner/Dancing
 Bel Air Room

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting — Hillcrest Room



Speaker Biographies

HON. RONALD B. ADRINE, administrative and presiding judge of the Cleveland Municipal Court, is a national authority on domestic violence. He chairs the Ohio Supreme Court's Interpreter Services Advisory Committee, Cleveland's Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, and the National Board of Directors of the Family Violence Prevention Fund and is a cochair of the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence. Judge Adrine has lectured extensively on domestic-violence issues and is coauthor of *Ohio Domestic Violence Law*, part of Baldwin Legal Publishing Company's Ohio Handbook Series. He won a municipal-court seat in 1981 and has been reelected four times, without opposition, to full six-year terms, most recently in November 2005. He has been honored as a Distinguished Alumni of both Cleveland State University and the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and received the Ohio State Bar Association's Ohio Bar Medal, its highest honor, in 2000. Judge Adrine graduated from Fisk University and the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

BOB ALVARADO is the CEO of CourtCall, LLC. In 1995 he and his then law partner, Mark S. Wapnick, founded CourtCall to help eliminate trips to courts for non-evidentiary appearances. CourtCall has since completed upwards of 2,000,000 telephonic court appearances nationwide, eliminating tens of thousands of tons of CO₂, saving attorneys millions of hours of time and their clients hundreds of millions of dollars, all while generating revenue for cash-strapped courts. Mr. Alvarado speaks regularly at technology sessions of the National Judicial College and a variety of other judicial and attorney educational programs on remote-appearance best practices, case-management enhancements, and pandemic- and emergency-response procedures. He and Mr. Wapnick have served as advisors in the drafting and enactment of local and state rules allowing for broader use of telephonic appearances. Mr. Alvarado has been a member of the California bar since 1983. He graduated from the University of Southern California in 1980 and from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, in 1983.

DIANE BALKIN is a chief deputy district attorney with the Office of the Denver District Attorney. She has worked as a trial attorney for the Denver District Attorney since 1979, prosecuting felonies, and as a liaison reviewing allegations of police misconduct with the Denver Police Department Internal Affairs Bureau. She currently supervises a felony courtroom and carries a full caseload, in addition to overseeing all investigations and prosecutions of Colorado's animal-cruelty laws. She has served on numerous task forces, including overcrowding in juvenile detention facilities, protocols to assist victims of sexual assault, understanding and enforcing bias-motivated crimes, and drafting model animal-cruelty legislation. She graduated from Tulane University, New Orleans, in 1973. She attended the University of Denver Law School and received her Juris Doctorate in 1977.

KEVIN BURKE is a judge in Hennepin County District Court, Minnesota, which has 62 judges and more than 750,000 cases per year. He was elected for four terms as chief judge and three terms as assistant chief judge. He chaired Minnesota's State Board of Public Defense and was a leader in the effort to improve and expand the state's public-defender system. In 2002 the National Center for State Courts awarded him the Distinguished Service Award, and in 2003 he received NCSC's William H. Rehnquist Award. He was named Public Official of the Year by *Governing Magazine* in 2004 and Trial Judge of the Year by the Minnesota Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates in 2005. Judge Burke teaches at the University of Minnesota and University of St. Thomas law schools and has been a speaker in many states, as well as many countries, regarding improvement in judicial administration and court leadership. He is the coauthor of AJA's White Paper "Procedural Fairness: A Key Ingredient in Public Satisfaction." He serves on the Board of the Institute for the Reform of the American Legal System.

MARJORIE LAIRD CARTER was appointed to the Orange County (California) Court in 1990. She served as the supervising judge of probate and mental health for five years. She has been appointed to committees involved with judicial ethics and trial court budget and finance at the state and local levels and has served on the board of CJER (California Judicial Education and Research) and the Probate/Mental Health Advisory Committee. She serves on the faculty for several judicial educational programs. Judge Carter is active in the National Association of Women Judges and was the governor for District 14 and president of California/Nevada Women Judges. A graduate of Chapman University in Orange, California, Judge Carter received her Juris Doctorate degree from Irvine University School of Law in 1979.

ERWIN CHEMERINSKY is Dean and Distinguished Professor of Law, University of California, Irvine, School of Law. He was the Alston & Bird Professor of Law and Political Science at Duke University; the Sydney M. Irmas Professor of Public Interest Law, Legal Ethics, and Political Science at the University of Southern California School of Law; and a professor at DePaul College of Law. He has written six books and over 100 law-review articles, and he writes a regular column on the Supreme Court for *California Lawyer*, the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*, and *Trial Magazine*. Mr. Chemerinsky frequently argues appellate cases, including in the U.S. Supreme Court and the U.S. Courts of Appeals, and has testified many times before congressional and state legislative committees. In April 2005, *Legal Affairs* named him as one of "the top 20 legal thinkers in America," and the *Daily Journal* recognized him as one of the 100 most influential lawyers in California in 2008. He holds a B.S. from Northwestern University and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

HON. JOHN E. CONERY was elected district judge for the 16th Judicial District, Parishes of St. Mary, Iberia, and St. Martin, State of Louisiana, in 1995 and now serves as chief judge. In 1997 he was a cofounder and first president of the Inn on the Teche, a chapter of the American Inns of Court, and served as inn administrator each year thereafter, coordinating and presenting monthly programs and annual meetings. Since 1999, he has worked with the Louisiana Judicial College to present the Evidence and Procedure Seminar. Judge Conery is a frequent lecturer at various bar association functions on Professionalism and Ethics and served as chair of the Louisiana State Bar Association Committee on Professionalism in 2003 and 2004. He currently serves as president of the Louisiana District Judge's Association and chair of its Capital Crimes Benchbook Project. Judge Conery has been a member of the Steering Committee for the Center for Elders and the Courts at the National Center for State Courts since 2005. He is a 1970 cum laude graduate of Loyola Law School.

JUDGE WILLIAM F. DRESSEL is president of the National Judicial College, where he has also served on the faculty and as vice chair of the Board of Trustees. He was appointed to the 8th Judicial District of Colorado in 1978 and retained in 1980, 1986, 1992, and 1998. He has been admitted to practice before the Colorado Supreme Court, 10th Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court. He served as president of the Colorado District Judges' Association; chair of the Colorado Trial Judges' Council; and chair of the National Conference of State Trial Judges (1992-93) and their Court Delay Reduction Committee (1987-93). He is the principal author of the ABA's Trial Management Standards. He has also served as adjunct professor of law at the University of Denver, and as a consultant to the National Center for State Courts, the Center for Effective Public Policy, and the Justice Management Institute, who presented him with the 1998 Ernest C. Friesen Award of Excellence. He obtained his B.A. from Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and his J.D. from the University of Denver Law School.

DAN EISENSTEIN was elected as a judge in the General Sessions Court, Division 2, in Nashville, Tennessee in 2004. He worked as an attorney for over 27 years and was a principal in the Law Office of Eisenstein, Moses & Mossman. Judge Eisenstein also worked in business, in the education and mental-health fields, and as a licensed real-estate agent and directed a program for the State Department of Mental Health. Judge Eisenstein attended the University of Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1970 from the Wharton School of Finance with a degree in economics. He also received a master's degree in special education from Peabody College of Vanderbilt University in 1972. He graduated from Memphis State Law School in 1977.

TIMM FAUTSKO is a principal staff member at the National Center for State Courts (NCSC). He has directed over 125 courthouse security assessments, such the post-incident assessment for Georgia's Fulton County (Atlanta) Superior Court and security assessments of Maricopa County (Phoenix) Superior Court and 40 of Maryland's courts. He is the NCSC security liaison to CCJ and COSCA and has conducted two training sessions on state courts for the USMS Fellows program. He has developed presentations on "Assessing Potential for Anger, Dangerousness, and Violence in Your Courthouse" and several seminars on court security at National Association of Court Management annual conferences. He has consulted with court systems in Canada, Croatia, the Netherlands and other countries. He earned a master's degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder and a bachelor's degree from Walsh University in Canton, Ohio.

SHEILA FELL, judge, Orange County Superior Court, was elected in November 2000. She had served as superior court commissioner from 1994-2000. Her calendars have focused on family law, civil law, and matters of custody, support, property division, and domestic violence. She also practiced law and served as a bankruptcy panel trustee, a special master, discovery master and settlement judge, and a federal and state court receiver. Judge Fell received an R.N. from the Mills College/Highland School of Nursing and a J.D. from Western State University College of Law.

CYNTHIA GRAY has been director of the American Judicature Society's Center for Judicial Ethics since 1990, where she summarizes recent cases and advisory opinions, answers requests for information about judicial conduct, writes and edits the *Judicial Conduct Reporter*, and directs the center's day-to-day activities and special projects. She has published numerous articles and books on judicial ethics, such as "How Judicial Conduct Commissions Work," *Justice System Journal* (2007); "The Line Between Legal Error and Judicial Misconduct: Balancing Judicial Independence and Accountability," *Hofstra Law Review* (summer 2004); *An Ethics Guide for Judges and Their Families*; and *When Judges Speak Up: Ethics, the Public, and the Media*. She is a 1980 graduate of the Northwestern University School of Law.

ELIZABETH POLLARD HINES was elected judge of the 15th District Court in Ann Arbor, Michigan in 1992, where she presides over criminal cases, including a specialized domestic-violence docket. She also helps train new judges on domestic-violence issues through the Michigan Judicial Institute. She was the first chair of Ann Arbor's Domestic Violence Coordinating Board (1987) and served on the executive committee managing a Judicial Oversight Demonstration Initiative (JODI) sponsored by the US DOJ Office on Violence Against Women (1999-2004), one of three sites in the country selected to see what works best in domestic-violence cases. She is a member of the National Domestic Violence Court Technical Assistance Consultancy Team for the Center for Court Innovation and the National Center for State Courts' (NCSC's) advisory committee for its Problem-Solving Justice Toolkit. Judge Hines serves on AJA's Board of Governors.

She has received numerous awards, including the NCSC's 2008 Distinguished Service Award. She received her BA, with honors, from the University of Michigan in 1974 and her JD from the University of Michigan Law School in 1977.

KIM R. HUBBARD was appointed to the Orange County, California bench in 2008 and is on family-law assignment. As an attorney, she specialized in elder law for 18 years. She serves on the board of CSP, Inc. (Community Service Programs), and she served on the board of LASOC (Legal Aid Society of Orange County) for 21 years. She was a founding member of the Orange County Hoarding Task Force and a member of the OAS (Older Adult Services) subcommittee of the Orange County Mental Health Board. She became the coordinator of the FAST (Financial Abuse Specialist Team) for Orange County in 2003 and specialized in community education on financial elder abuse, identity theft, and hoarding. In 2007 she became director of the Elder Abuse Prevention Program for WISE and Healthy Aging in Santa Monica and coordinator of the LA County FAST.

RICHARD B. KAYNE is a part-time municipal court judge in Medical Lake, Washington. He also served as a judge pro tem and arbitrator in district and superior courts in Spokane and surrounding counties since 1985. Judge Kayne has taught undergraduate, law school, continuing legal education and continuing judicial education courses on trial preparation, mental health law, ethics, domestic violence, and constitutional law and is currently dean of the Washington State Judicial College. He graduated from Gonzaga University School of Law, Spokane, in 1977.

REBECCA LOVE KOURLIS resigned from the Colorado Supreme Court in January 2006 to establish the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System (IAALS) at the University of Denver, where she is executive director. IAALS is a nonpartisan organization dedicated to improving the process and culture of the U.S. civil justice system and is a national expert on judicial performance evaluation and the growing impact of electronic discovery on courts and businesses. It has released highly respected reports on these topics, including *The Emerging Challenge of Electronic Discovery: Strategies for American Businesses*. IAALS's most ambitious project to date is the 21st Century Rules Initiative, which seeks to identify and reduce the causes of disproportionate cost and delay in our legal system through changes to the Rules of Civil Procedure and case management. Justice Kourlis accepted the 2007 Legal Reform Organization of the Year honor from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. She has received numerous individual awards, including the Colorado Judicial Institute's 2006 Judicial Independence Award. She holds B.A. and J.D. degrees from Stanford University.

HON. STEVE LEBEN, after serving nearly 14 years as a district judge in Johnson County, joined the Kansas Court of Appeals in 2007. Judge Leben has been dedicated to both expanding and generating scholarship on the development of law, procedure, and legal ethics. In addition to 13 published articles, he has served as editor of *AJA's Court Review* since 1998. He also edited the Kansas Bar Association's practice manual on Kansas family law and wrote one of its chapters. The National Center for State Courts recognized him with a national Distinguished Service Award in 2003. Judge Leben has presented lectures to lawyers at national and international conferences and has taught statutory interpretation to law students at the University of Kansas and University of Missouri-Kansas City law schools. He serves on the Board of Governors of the KU Law Alumni Association.

BRIAN MACKENZIE is the presiding Judge of the 52nd District Court, 1st Division, in Novi, Michigan. He has written and lectured

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extensively on drug treatment courts, domestic violence, community courts, and court-media relations and is currently the ABA/NHTSA judicial fellow. In 2001 he was honored with the Paul H. Chapman Medal, by the Foundation for the Improvement of Justice, for significant contributions to the American criminal justice system. He has received numerous other awards from the State of Michigan and victims' organizations for his community-based programs. Judge MacKenzie is a member of the Congress of State Drug Courts, the DWI Task Force for the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, and the Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee for the State of Michigan. He was elected to the AJA Board of Governors in 2006. Judge MacKenzie received his Juris Doctorate from Wayne State University Law School in 1974.

JUDGE MARK J. MCGINNIS has served on the Outagamie County Circuit Court, Wisconsin, since April 2005. He has taught Amber Alert training, constitutional law, criminal law, and other topics for several bar associations and educational institutions and has updated and improved the Amber Alert Legal Database. He is an alumnus and faculty member of the National Judicial College. He earned his bachelor's degree in criminology and business administration from Marquette University (cum laude) and his Juris Doctor degree (cum laude) from the University of Minnesota Law School.

DR. BONNIE J. OLSEN is a clinical psychologist and professor at the University of California, Irvine, Program in Geriatrics. She has more than 10 years' experience in assessing geriatric patients for cognitive and emotional disorders. She is a member of the Vulnerable Adult Assessment Team at the Orange County Elder Abuse Forensic Center, associated with the University's Center of Excellence on Elder Abuse and Neglect. She has conducted numerous assessments of capacity and undue influence in civil and criminal cases.

JUDGE JEFFREY ROSINEK received an A.B. in history and a J.D. from the University of Miami School of Law. He was a partner of the Law Firm, Rosinek and Blake, and served as a county court (1986-89) and circuit court (1999-2008) judge. He was in charge of the Miami-Dade Drug Court and the associate administrator of the appellate division and has served on a variety of boards and commissions. He has received many awards, most recently the Miami-Dade County Bar Association's 2008 Legal Ethics Award. He served as president of AJA and on the faculties of the National Judicial College and the Florida College of Advanced Judicial Studies and was a member of the Florida Supreme Court's Task Force on Treatment-Based Drug Courts. Judge Rosinek has been published in a variety of journals and newspapers including the *Chicago Tribune* and *Court Review*. He has lectured across the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Japan.

FABIAN M. SALEH, M.D., is a psychiatrist at the Massachusetts General Hospital Law and Psychiatry Service and the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Service and assistant professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. He is the founding director of the Sexual Behaviors Clinic, CHL, where he treats adolescent and adult sex offenders, those with deviant sexual impulses who have not yet offended, and those with Internet, porn, and cybersex addictions. Dr. Saleh has held numerous leading positions in the key professional associations in his field, including president of the American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry and chair of the Sexual Disorders Interest Group of the Massachusetts Psychiatric Society. He has published many book chapters and papers on sex offenders and the treatment of violence. He is also the editor-in-chief and author of *Sex Offenders: Identification, Risk Assessment, Treatment and Legal Issues* (Oxford University Press, 2009).

MERILYN SANCHEZ has been an official court reporter for over 30 years and has served the U.S. District Court, Arizona, since 1985. She is a past president of the National Court Reporters Association and is a trustee on the National Court Reporters Foundation. She managed and reported in one of the first computer-integrated courtrooms (CIC) in the country in 1986 and has made over 250 presentations on realtime and courtroom technology since that time. She has been to China and Russia sharing courtroom technology and will be leading a delegation of court reporters to South Africa this fall.

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE RICHARD D. SCHNEIDER, B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D., LL.B., LL.M., C.Psych., is a justice of the Ontario Court of Justice. He was a criminal-defense lawyer and certified clinical psychologist and counsel to the Ontario Review Board from 1994 to 2000. He is certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as a specialist in criminal litigation. Justice Schneider has also served as assistant professor, Department of Psychiatry, Faculty of Medicine, and adjunct lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto. He was named honorary president of the Canadian Psychological Association in 2002 and is currently alternate chairman of the Ontario and Nunavut Review Boards. His recent books include *Mental Disorder and the Law: A Primer for Legal and Mental Health Professionals* (2006, with H. Bloom) and *The Lunatic and the Lords* (2009), both published by Irwin Law (www.irwinlaw.com).

RONALD SCHOUTEN, M.D., J.D., is the director of the Law and Psychiatry Service of the Massachusetts General Hospital and associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Schouten helped develop a number of innovations in the teaching of forensic mental-health issues, including numerous programs for the Law and Psychiatry Service and Harvard Medical School. He is a Knowles Scholar in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Harvard College, has served as a subject-matter expert for the Biological Threat Classification Program of the Department of Homeland Security, and in 2008 was appointed to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's Biological Sciences Expert Group. He is licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts, California, and New York and is a member of the Bar of the State of Illinois. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. He holds a B.A. from Haverford College; a J.D. from Boston University School of Law; and an M.D. from the University of Illinois College of Medicine.

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