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You may register by email at

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or by mail to Marsha Evans, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus, 1108 City Park Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43206.

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Pro Bono attorneys help to reduce the amount of unmet need for civil legal services among low income residents in our community. If you are not already a member of a Pro Bono program, contact Dianna Parker at dparker@columbuslegalaid.org or complete an online application: www.columbuslegalaid.org/index.php/probono/pbapp.

Chapter 7 Pro Bono Project

Representing low-income debtors in Chapter 7 bankruptcies.

Volunteer Resource Center (VRC)

Representing tenants facing eviction and individuals sued for credit card debt in Franklin County.

Low Income Taxpayer Clinic

Representing taxpayers with controversies before the IRS.

Brief Advice & Referral Legal Clinics

Providing brief advice at clinics located at local churches and homeless shelters.

PACO Wills Clinic and Seniors Project

Assisting seniors with drafting and executing wills and advanced directives.

Legal Aid Referral Project (LARP)

Handling reduced fee and pro bono simple divorces and Chapter 7 bankruptcies.



VOLUNTEER RESOURCE CENTER HOUSING PROJECT

BASIC LANDLORD/TENANT LAW

(VIDEO REPLAY)

Application has been made with the Ohio
Supreme Court for:

3.25 CLE Credits
October 15, 2013
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

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1108 City Park Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43206

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This program is designed to prepare volunteer attorneys to represent low income tenants in eviction proceedings in Franklin County. The Volunteer Resource Center Housing Project provides an opportunity for attorneys to defend tenants who are being evicted. This training will provide basic information on landlord/tenant law, as well as practical information on legal defenses, settlement, and other issues impacting low-income tenants. The materials include forms and pleadings which may be helpful in representation of the tenants.

Trainers

Jamie Shier is a 2005 graduate of The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. Jamie currently practices in the Public Benefits unit, where she advocates for low-income individuals and families.

Molly Hennessey started at the Legal Aid Society of Columbus as a clerk in 1987. She is 1988 graduate of Capital University Law School. Molly is the supervising attorney for the Housing Team at Legal Aid.

Donna Mayer has been a staff attorney with The Legal Aid Society of Columbus for more than thirty years. She has practiced in the areas of public benefits, domestic, and housing law. Donna is a 1980 graduate of Capital University Law School.

Emily Crabtree has been an attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Columbus since 2007. She is a 2006 graduate of Capital University Law School. She is admitted to practice in Ohio and in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. She is a member of the Columbus Bar Association.

Magistrate Bio - TBD

Dianna Parker has been a staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society of Columbus since 2007. A 2005 graduate of The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Dianna has practiced in the areas of education and housing law.

Lorie McCaughan is a 1996 graduate of Capital University Law School. She is now a Professor of Clinical Studies at Capital and Supervising Attorney for the General Litigation Clinic and the Family Advocacy Clinic.

Callie Query is a 2004 graduate of The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and has practiced in a number of rural offices for Southeastern Ohio Legal Services (SEOLS). Callie handles cases in domestic, housing, consumer, and public benefits law, and she is the current Training Coordinator for SEOLS.

AGENDA

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| 1:00-1:15 | Welcome & Explanation of VRC Housing Project (Non-CLE)
<i>Dianna Parker</i> |
| 1:15-1:30 | Views from the Bench and the Importance of Representation in Evictions
<i>Franklin County Municipal Magistrate TBD</i> |
| 1:30-1:45 | Introduction to Representing Indigent Tenants
<i>Callie Query</i> |
| 1:45-2:00 | Public Benefits and Community Programs
<i>Jamie Shier</i> |
| 2:00-2:30 | Ohio Landlord-Tenant Law in Nutshell
<i>Emily Crabtree</i> |
| 2:30-2:45 | Break |
| 2:45-3:15 | Eviction Process in Franklin County
<i>Dianna Parker</i> |
| 3:15-3:45 | Eviction Defenses (Case Studies)
<i>Molly Hennessey</i>
<i>Donna Mayer</i> |
| 3:40-4:00 | Break |
| 4:00-4:30 | Hearing Simulation
<i>Lorie McCaughan</i>
<i>Callie Query</i> |
| 4:30-5:00 | Practical Considerations and Settlement
<i>Dianna Parker</i> |