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- ☐ Philadelphia | Tue. & Wed, Apr. 23 & 24, 2019  
☐ Simulcast | Tue. & Wed, Apr. 23 & 24, 2019

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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- Wed. Thu. Both Days  
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### THIS YEAR'S SESSIONS INCLUDE:

- ▶ Parenting Coordination – What is it and When Does it Work?
- ▶ Mission Impossible: Seeking Creative Remedies
- ▶ New Support Rules-Changes in the Law
- ▶ A New Norm: Third Parties in Custody
- ▶ Mental Fitness: Impaired Professionals (Ethics)
- ▶ Drafting Agreements in the Year 2019

### AND, IN PHILADELPHIA ONLY:

- ▶ Trials and Tribulations of Witness Examinations
- ▶ Intersection of Children & Youth Cases
- ▶ Case Law, Rules & Legislative Updates



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**Philadelphia**  
**Tue. & Wed., Apr. 23 & 24, 2019**

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Allentown, Bellefonte, Butler, Chambersburg, Erie, Greensburg, Honesdale, Johnstown, Mansfield, Meadville, Mechanicsburg, New Castle, Pittsburgh, Plymouth Meeting, Stroudsburg, Uniontown, Warren, West Chester, Wilkes-Barre, Williamsport, York

# THE PREMIER EVENT FOR FAMILY LAW ATTORNEYS

APR 23 & APR 24

**Philadelphia**  
The CLE Conference Ctr., Wanamaker Building,  
10th Fl., Ste. 1010

**Tue., Apr. 23:** 8:30 am to 4:30 pm;  
check-in begins at 8:00 am  
**Wed., April 24:** 8:30 am to 11:45 am;  
check-in begins at 8:00 am

## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

### Parenting Coordination - What is it and When Does it Work?

The New Parenting Coordination Rule went into effect 3/1/19 and approved Parenting Coordinators to have five hours training in the parenting coordination process, five hours training in domestic violence and mediation training. This session will discuss what issues they can address, what problems may arise and the prospect for providing help in difficult custody cases.

### Mission Impossible

You are not the only advocates scratching your head about how to get money for your dependent spouse clients, avoid co-parenting disasters and keep the peace until the judge will hear about your client's emergencies. This program will focus on how to counsel clients and seek creative remedies from the court to avoid Armageddon.

### New Support Rules-Changes in the Law

The support calculations have been revised because the Pennsylvania Supreme Court dramatically the Support Rules, as of January 1, 2019. Learn how and why spousal support formulas changed, with side-by-side comparison calculations to demonstrate the impact these changes will have on your clients.

### Drafting Agreements in the Year 2019

With the law evolving, panelists address clauses not likely in your form support, custody and divorce settlement agreements. This panel focuses on new definitions of "family", legal dynamics, and responsibilities; changes in tax laws; and clauses for creative agreements that go beyond typical litigation results. Get ideas to avoid "unintended consequences".

### A New Norm: Third Parties in Custody

This panel will explore the increasing prevalence of third parties, including grandparents (even great-grandparents), stepparents, same-sex parents/partners and persons standing in *loco parentis* in custody matters. The panel will address issues around third party participation in cases including standing, the use of preliminary objections, arguments for and against third party involvement and a discussion of recent and applicable appellate case law.

### Mental Fitness: Impaired Professionals (Ethics)

Working with clients who have been exposed to trauma can create secondary traumatic stress experienced for family law attorneys and judges. What are the ethical implications? This program will help address this serious issue (with some levity), and provide thoughtful solutions for practitioners who want to remain healthy and effective, despite the stress.

### PHILADELPHIA ONLY

#### Trials and Tribulations of Witness Examinations

As family lawyers, strong litigation skills are critical to effectively represent our clients. Preparing and questioning witnesses are key component in effective litigation. Nonetheless, we have all had witnesses "go south" on the stand, develop cross examination amnesia, become confrontational or sound scripted. Review the Rules and tips from seasoned litigators.

#### Intersection of Children & Youth Cases

Children and youth matters often intersect with adult family court cases. Learn how to access children and youth files and effectively utilize the information within them, including the ins and outs of dependency court, abuse investigations, and mandatory reporting. This program will also address what to consider when deciding between a dependency action and third party custody litigation.

#### Case Law, Rules & Legislative Updates

This panel will discuss the most recent significant appellate decisions and this interactive panel of attorneys will offer their insight, wisdom and practice pointers on how these decisions will impact your clients' issues in the future.

## TUE APRIL 23

8:30 AM TO 4:00 PM; CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 8:00 AM

8:30 - 10:00	Parenting Coordination – What Is It and When Does It Work?	
	Judge Platt, Ms. Fisher, Ms. Rovito, Mr. Shienvold, Ms. Zack <b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Schultz	
10:00 – 10:15	Break	
10:15 - 11:45	Trials & Tribulations of Witness Examinations	Mission Impossible
	Ms. Early, Mr. Levit, Ms. Moonay, <b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Swain	Judge Fanning, Judge Platt, Mr. Bertin, Mr. Hoover <b>Moderator:</b> Ms. DeMatteo
11:45 – 12:45	Lunch — Included for all	
12:45 - 2:15	Intersection of Children & Youth Cases	New Support Rules – Changes in the Law
	Ms. Filo, Ms. Gibbons, Mr. Persick	Ms. Colton, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Taylor
2:15 – 2:30	Break	
2:30 - 4:00	Case Law, Rules & Legislative Updates	Drafting Agreements in 2019
	Mr. Hoover, Mr. Persick, Ms. Wender	Ms. Doherty, Mr. Finger, Ms. Murphy

## WED APRIL 24

8:30 AM TO 11:45 AM; CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 8:00 AM

8:30 – 10:00	A New Norm: Third Parties in Custody Judge McLaughlin, Ms. Cantor, Mr. Ladov	
10:00 – 10:15	Break	
10:15 – 11:45	Mental Fitness – Impaired Professionals Mr. Davis, Ms. Green, Mr. Hark	ETHICS

Each instructional block is worth 1.5 credits in either substantive law or ethics

### SIMULCAST SESSIONS

## DATES & LOCATIONS

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**Allentown**  
Bar Assn. of Lehigh Co.  
1114 Walnut St

**Bellefonte**  
Centre Co. Bar Assn.  
Eugene Lederer Bar Ctr.  
232 Match Factory Pl.

**Butler**  
Butler Co. Bar Assn.  
240 S. Main St.

**Chambersburg**  
Franklin Co. Bar Assn.  
100 Lincoln Way East

**Erie**  
Bayfront Conv. Ctr.  
1 Sassafras Pier

**Greensburg**  
Westmoreland Co. Bar Assn., 129 N. PA Ave.

**Honesdale**  
Wayne Co. Bar Assn  
922 Church St., 2nd Fl.

**Johnstown**  
Univ. of Pittsburgh - Johnstown  
Living/Learning Ctr.  
450 Schoolhouse Rd.

**Mansfield**  
Mansfield University  
Memorial Hall  
20 Straughn Dr.

**Meadville**  
Economic Progress  
Alliance Conference Ctr.  
William J. Douglass Jr.  
Corporate Conf. Ctr.  
764 Bessemer St.

**Mechanicsburg**  
PBI Conference Center  
5080 Ritter Rd.  
Rossmoyn Exit, Rt. 15

**New Castle**  
Penn State Coop. Ext.  
of Lawrence Co.  
Lawrence Co. Cthse.  
430 Court St., 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl.

**Pittsburgh**  
PBI Professional Dev.  
Conference Ctr.  
Heinz 57 Center  
339 Sixth Ave., 7th Fl.

**Plymouth Meeting**  
LaSalle University  
Montgomery Co. Ctr.  
4000 Chemical Rd.

**Stroudsburg**  
Monroe Co. Bar Ctr.  
913 Main St.

**Uniontown**  
Penn State University Fayette  
Campus  
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Center, Route 119 North

**Warren**  
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205 Market St.

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Chester Co. Bar Assn.  
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