



Implementation of the ABA Standards of Practice for Representing Victims of Domestic Violence in Civil Protection Order Cases

Friday, July 31, 2009
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

The Swissotel
Alpine Ballroom I
323 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL

In 2007, the ABA adopted *Standards of Practice for Lawyers Representing Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking in Civil Protection Order Cases*. Since their adoption the ABA Commission on Domestic Violence has trained hundreds of lawyers, advocates and judges regarding successful implementation to the Standards. This panel of experts will discuss the ways in which the Standards have been and can be implemented in everyday practice and the ways in which they are improving the quality of representation victims receive in civil protection order proceeding across the country.

To download a free copy of the Standards, go to www.abanet.org/domviol/pubs

Panelists

Honorable Pamila J. Brown, Chair, ABA Commission on Domestic Violence, Ellicott City, MD. Judge Brown is an Associate Judge in the Tenth Judicial District for the District Court in Howard County, Maryland.

Denice Wolf Markham, Chicago, IL. Ms. Markham is the Executive Director of Life Span, a domestic violence agency specializing in complex legal cases, including those which present custody and visitation issues, clients with mental health and substance abuse problems, and cases complicated by the interaction of race, class, and religion with legal issues.

Stacey Platt, Chicago, IL. Ms. Platt is a clinical professor of law and associate director of the ChildLaw Clinic at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, where her focus is the training of law students to represent children in legal proceedings, particularly child protection cases and high conflict custody disputes.

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