

## NATIONAL COLLEGE OF PROBATE JUDGES

2020 Spring Conference

May 13-16, 2020 \*\*\*\*\* Colorado Springs, Colorado

### Wednesday, May 13

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Registration

5:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Reception for New Members and First Time Attendees

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Welcome Reception (light hors d'oeuvres, cash bar)

### Thursday, May 14

8:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Registration

8:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Vendor Exhibits and Coffee Service

8:30 AM – 8:45 AM

Welcome Remarks

Christine Butts, NCPJ President

Diana Terry, Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM

Sponsor Presentation

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Educational Session

Speakers: Prof. Lucy Marsh, University of Denver Sturm College of Law  
Ernest House, Jr., Senior Policy Director, Keystone Policy Center, Keystone,  
Colorado

Topic: ***Tribal Wills Project***

*The Tribal Wills Project provides an opportunity for law students to donate vacation time to providing free wills, medical powers of attorney and related documents to tribal members who would not otherwise have access to legal assistance.*

11:00 AM – 11:15 AM

Vendor Exhibits and Coffee Break

11:15 AM – 12:15 PM

Educational Session

Speaker: Prof. Richard B. Collins, University of Colorado Boulder School of Law

Topic: ***American Indian Law***

*This session will look at probate in the law of self-governing Indian tribes and the Interior Department's special probate system for Indian trust allotments.*

Beginning at 1:45 PM

Golf Outing

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Tour of the U.S. Air Force Academy

### Friday, May 15

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

State Representatives Meeting

9:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Vendor Exhibits and Coffee Service

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM

Sponsor Presentation

9:15 AM – 11:15 AM

Educational Session

Speakers: David Furman, Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals  
Craig R. Welling, Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals

Diana Terry, Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals and Chair, Colorado Supreme Court Probate Rules Committee  
Kathryn Redhorse, Interim Executive Director, Denver Indian Family Resource Center

Korey Elger, Ongoing Manager, Colorado Division of Child Welfare

Topic: ***Indian Child Welfare Act***

*The Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) was enacted in 1978 to address the overrepresentation of American Indian and Alaska Native children being removed from their families and placed into the foster care system. These children, upon removal, not only lost their families but also lost their culture and their identity. In April 2018 the Chief Justice of Colorado appointed a Child Welfare Appeals workgroup to look at appeals findings and to track compliance with ICWA. This workgroup composed of 13 experts from across Colorado was charged to come back with findings at both the local court and the county human services level that would improve ICWA compliance. This presentation will go through the steps that Colorado took to improve this compliance and will focus on both the legal element as well as the history of ICWA and best practices of ICWA and what Colorado has done to improve ICWA compliance in Child Welfare Cases.*

11:15 AM – 11:30 AM

Vendor Exhibits and Coffee Break

11:30 AM – 12:15 PM

Educational Session

Speaker: Capt. Deepa Patel

Topic: ***Legal Assistance Program***

12:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Executive Committee Meeting

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Reception (cash bar)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Banquet Dinner, *Business Casual\**

Saturday, May 16

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Coffee Service

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Educational Session

Speaker: Kathryn Truman, Commercial Surety Leader, Westfield

Topic: ***Taking the Mystery Out of Bonds***

*Surety is a small, niche industry, to which most attorneys have little insider exposure. This session will provide a refresher in Surety 101; share what carriers are considering when issuing (or not issuing) various types of probate bonds; walk through the probate surety bond claims process; highlight the value of surety bonds; and provide an update on current legislative trends relative to probate bonds.*

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Education Session

Speakers: Tom Sullivan, Colorado General Assembly Representative

Topic: ***Extreme Risk Protection Orders and Red Flag Laws***

*Recently the State of Colorado passed an Extreme Risk Protection Order (AKA "Red Flag Law"). This session intends to inform the conference goers about the legislative process on how the law was passed. State Colorado Representative Tom Sullivan, a co-sponsor of the bill, will lead this session as it pertains to legislative process. Also, Anthony Fabian, Former President of the Colorado State Shooting Association, will be speaking about concerns on the law and its impact.*

11:00 AM – 11:15 AM

Break

11:15 AM – 12:15 PM

Educational Session

Speakers: James T. Walther, Judge, Lorain County Probate Court

Timothy J. Grendell, Judge, Geauga County Probate/Juvenile Court

Topic: ***Good Deeds Make Good Sense***

*"Good Deeds" is a judicial outreach program in Ohio that has achieved remarkable notoriety and success. This program demonstrates that simple estate planning options are available to everyone. The Probate Court, the County Recorder and the local bar association collaborate in the presentation. Judges Grendell and Walther have been conducting these educational programs for several years and will present on how to conduct this free program in your community.*

\*No jacket or tie required; no jeans.