



# Federal Bar Association

Immigration Law Section



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## FBA IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION TRAINING ON IMMIGRATION COURT AGENDA

Friday, October 26, 2018

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

The Byron Auditorium, Columbus School of Law  
The Catholic University of America  
3600 John McCormack Road, N.E., Washington, DC 20064

| TIME            | SESSION  | PRESENTERS  |
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| 8:00 – 8:30 AM  | <b>Registration</b>  |   |
| 8:30 – 8:45 AM  | <b>Welcome &amp; introduction</b>  | <b>Elizabeth (Betty) Stevens</b> ( <i>Chair, Immigration Law Section, Federal Bar Association</i> )<br><br><b>Danielle Beach</b> ( <i>Beach-Oswald Immigration Law Associates PC</i> )  |
| 8:45 – 10:00 AM | <b>Introduction to Removal Proceedings:</b><br>Hearings/Procedures/ What do Expect<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NTAs (Notice to Appear)</li> <li>- Master Hearings</li> <li>- Individual Hearings</li> <li>- Detained Docket vs. Non-Detained Dockets</li> <li>- Bond Hearings</li> <li>- Pre-Conference Trials</li> <li>- Appeals (BIA) (4<sup>th</sup> Cir)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>If time allows – brief review of motions ( To continue; change venue; terminate; admin close)</i></li> </ul> | <b>Hon. Judge Paul Schmidt</b><br>( <i>Retired Immigration judge Arlington Immigration Court, former Chairman of the BIA</i> )<br><br><b>Prof. Maureen Sweeney</b><br>( <i>Associate Professor at UMD Francis King Carey School of Law, Immigration Clinic Director</i> ) |

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|                   | <i>&amp; rules of evidence in immigration Court</i>   |  |
| 10:00 – 10:15 AM  | <b>BREAK</b>  |  |
| 10:15 – 11:30 AM  | <b>Asylum/Withholding of Removal &amp; CAT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Post A-B-</li> <li>- Zealous Advocacy</li> <li>- Particular Social Group</li> <li>- Political Opinion</li> </ul>  | <b>Christina Wilkes</b> ( <i>Wilkes Legal, LLC</i> )<br><br><b>Denise Hunter</b> ( <i>Whitman-Walker Health, Immigration attorney</i> )<br><br><b>Sarah Pitney</b> ( <i>Associate attorney, Benach Callopy</i> ) |
| 11:30AM – 12:30PM | <b>Other Types of Removal Proceedings Subject Matter</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- VAWA/Special Cancellation</li> <li>- Cancellation of Removal (LPR &amp; Non-LPR)</li> <li>- Adjustment of Status/Waivers</li> <li>- Pending USCIS cases &amp; how to handle with EOIR</li> <li>- Voluntary Departure</li> </ul> | <b>Rachel Ullman</b> ( <i>Law Office of Rachel S. Ullman</i> )<br><br><b>Adam Crandell</b> ( <i>Eldridge, Nachtman &amp; Crandell</i> )<br><br><b>Adriana Robinson</b> ( <i>Maggio Kattar</i> )                  |
| 12:30 – 1:45 PM   | <b>LUNCH BREAK /ETHICS DURING HALF OF LUNCH</b>   | <b>Kursten Phelps</b> ( <i>Tahirih Justice Center</i> )<br><br><b>Eby Kalantar</b> <i>D.C. Office of Disciplinary Counsel</i>  |
| 1:45 - 3:45 PM    | <b>Mock Trial for Asylum</b>  | <b>Kursten Phelps</b> ( <i>Tahirih Justice Center</i> )  |
| 3:45 – 4:00 PM    | <b>Closing Remarks</b>  | <b>Elizabeth (Betty) Stevens</b>   |