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THE SUPREME COURT *of* OHIO

Specialized Dockets *Newsletter*

April 17, 2015

To My Specialized Docket Colleagues:

I have been recently appointed the permanent Program Coordinator for the Specialized Dockets Section of the Supreme Court of Ohio and can now drop the interim title. As a result of this change I have received a new email address: sarah.jeu@sc.ohio.gov. I will continue checking the temporary email for a while, but for the best results please make sure to use the new email address.

Thank you,
Sarah Jeu

2015 OSD MEETINGS

2015 OSD Meeting Dates & RSVP

All meetings are 10:00am – 2:00pm and at the [Thomas J. Moyer Ohio Judicial Center](#) *unless noted otherwise.*

Program Coordinators	Wednesday, June 17 Thursday, June 25 Tuesday, September 1 Tuesday, September 15 *Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP. Select only one of the dates offered <u>within the same month.</u>	*Send your RSVP to: mailto:sarah.jeu@sc.ohio.gov
Probation Officers	Thursday, June 4 Thursday, August 27 *Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.	*Send your RSVP to: mailto:sarah.jeu@sc.ohio.gov
Veterans Treatment Courts	Thursday, April 23 Friday, September 25 *Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.	*Send your RSVP to: mailto:sarah.jeu@sc.ohio.gov

NEW! 2015 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURT FORUM

SPECIALIZED DOCKETS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FORUM

Date: Friday, May 8, 2015 ***coming soon***
Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm
Location: [Thomas J. Moyer Ohio Judicial Center](#)

The Domestic Violence Court Forum will provide domestic violence court practitioners throughout Ohio with an opportunity to learn about current best practices from the Center for Court Innovation (CCI) and one of the national domestic violence mentor courts. Specialized docket professionals will also be able to share program updates, operations, innovations, and effective strategies with one another. Practitioners involved with an already existing program, in the developmental stage, or interested in starting a domestic violence court are welcome to attend. To RSVP for this forum, email Sarah.Jeu@sc.ohio.gov.

2015 COMMISSION ON SPECIALIZED DOCKETS MEETING DATES

The 2015 *Commission on Specialized Dockets* meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

Friday, June 12, 2015
Friday, September 18, 2015
Wednesday, November 18, 2015

All meetings are from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Ohio Judicial Center.

For directions to the Court, please visit our [website](#).

NEWS

SPECIALIZED DOCKETS CERTIFICATION LIST

An updated list of certified specialized dockets has been posted to our webpage. This list will be updated after each new commission date votes on final certification. View the [Specialized Docket Certification Status Sheet](#).

UPDATED CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

The certification application has been updated and posted to our webpage. Please use the updated application to apply for certification. View the [Certification Application](#).

DRUG COURTS

HEROIN EPIDEMIC BATTLE BEING FOUGHT ON MANY FRONTS LOCALLY – DAYTON DAILY NEWS

<http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/news/local/heroin-epidemic-battle-being-fought-on-many-fronts/nkgFH/>

MENTOR DRUG COURT EXPANDS TO REST OF LAKE COUNTY – WILLOUGHBY NEWS-HERALD

<http://www.news-herald.com/general-news/20150328/mentor-drug-court-expands-to-rest-of-lake-county>

DRUG TREATMENT RARE IN PRISON — FOR NOW – DAYTON DAILY NEWS

<http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/news/drug-treatment-rare-in-prison-for-now/nkmj7/>

VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SPECIAL REPORT: TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

http://www.defense.gov/home/features/2015/0315_tbi/?source=GovDelivery

FEMALE VETERANS PRESS VA HOSPITALS TO MEET THEIR NEEDS

<http://www.mprnews.org/story/2015/03/31/women-veterans-minnesota>

DEVELOPING A RESEARCH STRATEGY FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE: STATUS OF CURRENT RESEARCH, PRIORITIZING AREAS OF NEED, AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MOVING FORWARD

http://www.rand.org/pubs/research_reports/rr559.html

ARMY VETERAN WRITES CHILDREN'S BOOK TO EXPLAIN PTSD TO YOUNGER KIDS

<http://www.nbcnews.com/nightly-news/why-dad-so-mad-father-writes-book-explain-his-ptsd-n334271>

HUMAN TRAFFICKING COURTS

HAMILTON COUNTY HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS TO BEGIN ERASING CRIMINAL HISTORY – CINCINNATI WCPO-TV

<http://www.wcpo.com/news/crime/hamilton-county-human-trafficking-victims-to-begin-erasing-criminal-history->

WEBINARS & EVENTS

PART II – BUILDING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND A STRONG DWI COURT TEAM

Date: Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. (EDT)

The Honorable Matthew Anderson details the framework for building a strong team and community coalition to support and sustain their DWI Court. An advocate of collecting data and evaluation, Judge Anderson explains how his court is able to show similar results highlighted in Part I of the series and what it means in building support and sustainability. [Click here to register for Part II.](#)

SAVE THE DATE!

NATIONAL DRUG COURT MONTH

MAY 2015

Each year, National Drug Court Month (NDCM) shines a light on the collective impact of Drug Courts, Family Dependency Treatment Courts, Healing to Wellness Courts, Juvenile Drug Courts, DWI Courts, and Veterans Treatment Courts. This is our greatest opportunity to celebrate our work, the countless lives restored, families reunited, and communities made safer throughout the country. [Watch highlights from previous years](#) and start planning your events today. From community picnics, softball tournaments, and service projects to fundraisers and major graduation ceremonies, NDCM is your chance to demonstrate that whenever one person rises out of addiction and crime, we ALL RISE. In April, NADCP will release the 2015 NDCM Field Kit to help you plan special NDCM events and coordinate with Members of Congress. So mark your calendars and stay tuned! www.allrise.org

VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS: A SECOND CHANCE FOR VETS WHO HAVE LOST THEIR WAY

Date: August 26, 2015

The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) will be conducting a three-hour live-streaming internet broadcast on justice-involved veterans, highlighting the lifesaving role being played by veterans treatment courts across the country. For more information please [click here](#).

2015 ARMY ONESOURCE WEB EVENTS

To view complete 2015 webinar calendar, [click here](#).

OHIO TRAININGS

VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) AND STATE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE ACT (SVAA) INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS

Dates: April 20, 2015
April 23, 2015

Location: Varies

The Crime Victims Section of the Ohio Attorney General's Office would like to invite you to our Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and State Victims Assistance Act (SVAA) informational sessions regarding grant opportunities for the 2015-16 cycle. Both funding streams provide funding to support victim assistance programs. This includes organizations such as rape crisis centers, domestic violence shelters, and community-based victim service organizations. Direct service to victims must be a core component of the mission and operation of the organization. However, serving crime victims need not be an organization's sole purpose. Applications for the 2015-16 will be open in May 2015 and our informational sessions will explain the application process as well as more detail regarding funding possibilities. The information sessions will be held in five locations statewide from 9:00am-12:30pm. For more information and to register [click here](#). If you have further questions, please call Brian Sass at 614-466-4358 or email at brian.sass@ohioattorneygeneral.gov.

VETERANS TREATMENT MENTOR BOOT CAMP

Dates: June 1-2, 2015

Location: Cleveland, OH

*****REGISTER AND MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE*****

The Cleveland Municipal Court Veterans Treatment Specialized Docket and the Cuyahoga Court of Common Pleas Veterans Treatment Court present Mentor Boot Camp presented by Justice For Vets. The Justice For Vets Mentor Corps Boot Camp is the only national program that trains volunteer veterans to serve as mentors in Veterans Treatment Court. Mentors who participate in the Boot Camps learn best practices to make their VTC Veteran Mentor program the best it can be. They will learn how to effectively work with Veteran Participants in a VTC; their roles and responsibilities as Veteran Mentors; the issues facing justice-involved veterans; and how to connect Veteran Participants to the local, state and national benefits they have earned. For more information and to register [click here](#). To see a flyer [click here](#).

SAVE THE DATE!

2015 JUDICIAL SYMPOSIUM ON ADDICTION AND CHILD WELFARE

Date: June 23, 2015

Location: Embassy Suites Dublin

On June 23rd, county teams will hear from experts and state policy makers about the scope and nature of addiction challenges and the child welfare system. Each team will develop a common understanding of the dynamics of behavioral health, child welfare, and the courts and begin the work of aligning goals and priorities for positive outcomes and community specific strategies.

2015 OHIO JUDICIAL COLLEGE TRAININGS

To view the 2015 training calendar, click [here](#).

2015 OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK TRAININGS

All of ODVN's training opportunities are posted online under the "training" tab at <http://www.odvn.org/>

2015 OHIO CONFERENCE ON OPIATES AND OTHER DRUGS

Dates: March 30-31, 2015

http://www.oacbha.org/ohios_2015_conference_on_opia.php

If you are interested in attending please make a note to save these dates.

NATIONAL TRAININGS

TRANSITIONING JUDGES ONLINE COURSE AVAILABLE NOW!!

NDCI in collaboration with the National Judicial College funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to announce this new online tool for judges. This is a self-paced online course that will assist you in learning about the nature of your new job and the types of questions you are likely to face. Only persons who have been elected or appointed as judges, magistrate, or other judicial officer and who have registered for the program may enter the course. The entire course will take you between 6 to 8 hours to complete. [Click here to register for the Transitioning Judges Online Course Now!!](#)

VISIT A MENTOR COURT

[Apply today!](#)

Travel for FREE to a Mentor Court and Learn From the Best! Whether you're starting a new Adult Drug Court or re-tooling an existing program, don't miss the chance to receive training from some of the best programs in the country.

DWI COURT OPERATIONAL TUNE-UP TRAINING (1.5 DAYS)

Date: May 18-19, 2015

Location: San Diego, California

There is still space available! Though the original deadline has passed, we will continue to accept applications while space is available. For more details and to sign up for any of the trainings, [click here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Cliff Jacobs, NCDC Project Manager, at cjacobs@nadcp.org.

CO-OCCURRING MENTAL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS

Dates: July 20-23

Location: Reno, NV

Participants will be able to describe the fundamentals of substance abuse, mental health, and co-occurring disorders; perform or improve motivational interviewing techniques; employ incentives and sanctions to a mental health, drug, or co-occurring court; explain legal issues and efficacy of 12-step programs; and implement systems or ideas to improve mental health, drug, or co-occurring disorders courts. To learn more about the conference [click here](#). To register [click here](#).

THE NADCP 21ST ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE AND JUSTICE FOR VETS' 3RD ANNUAL VET COURT CONFERENCE

[Registration is Open!!](#)

Dates: July 27-30, 2015

Location: Washington D.C.

The world's largest conference on addiction, mental health and criminal justice returns to Washington, DC this summer where it will be held in conjunction with the only national conference on Veterans Treatment Courts. NADCP and Justice For Vets are proud to announce that these two historic conferences will bring thousands from across the globe to the nation's capitol at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center. These two incredible conferences will be held simultaneously at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in National Harbor, MD from July 27-30, 2015. And you can attend both for the price of one!!! For more information [click here](#).

DRUGS IN AMERICA TODAY: WHAT EVERY JUDGE NEEDS TO KNOW

Dates: August 25-27

Location: Reno, NV

New for 2015! Recent changes in marijuana laws have perplexed many judges and practitioners. A resurgence in heroin, this time in rural areas, changes the complexity of cases for judges of all types. Alcohol, still the number one drug of choice for Americans, continues to affect civil and criminal cases of all types. This course provides a comprehensive review of intoxicating substances and the short- and long-term effects on litigants in and out of the courtroom, recent developments in the law, and options for sentencing and intervention. To learn more about the conference [click here](#). To register [click here](#).

FUNDING

JOINT ADULT DRUG COURT SOLICITATION TO ENHANCE SERVICES, COORDINATION, AND TREATMENT FY 2015 COMPETITIVE GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT **Deadline: Monday, June 1, 2015**

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) are now accepting applications for fiscal year 2015 for grants to enhance court services, coordination, and evidence-based substance abuse treatment and recovery support services of adult Drug Courts. Eligible jurisdictions must have a fully operational (at least 1 year as of September 30, 2015) adult Drug Court. More information is available:

<https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15BJASAMHSADrugCourtSol.pdf>

VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS: SCRAM SYSTEMS VETERANS PROGRAM PORTAL

Last December, SCRAM Systems pledged to provide grant money to fund Continuous Alcohol Monitoring for clients in Veterans Treatment Courts across the U.S. In just 6 months, SCRAM Systems, in partnership with our SCRAM Systems Authorized Service Partners, has awarded over \$150,000 to support Veterans Treatment Courts with [SCRAM Continuous Alcohol Monitoring™](#) equipment and daily monitoring. Our teams have also donated their time and experience to help grantees build strong, sustainable programs. Grant money is still available, but limited. If you or someone you know is interested in funding an alcohol monitoring program in a Veterans Treatment Court, visit our [SCRAM Systems Veterans Program Portal](#) today for more information or to submit the online grant application.

GENERAL YOUTH FUNDING

Deadline: Rolling

Summary: Most of the work the Annie E. Casey Foundation supports takes the form of multi-year, multi-site, foundation-based projects. However, the foundation, which focuses on helping vulnerable and at-risk children, youth and their families, does not discourage interested organizations from submitting letter of inquiry when looking for grants. Founded in 1948, the primary mission of the Foundation is to foster public policies, human-service reforms, and community supports that more effectively meet the needs of vulnerable children and families. It is the 15th largest private foundation in the United States, with assets of more than \$3 billion, and ranks 20th in the nation for charitable giving.

Website: www.aecf.org

PUBLIC WELFARE FOUNDATION GRANTS

Deadline: Open and rolling

Website: www.publicwelfare.org

The Public Welfare Foundation (PWF) offers \$1.5 million in grants for its Criminal Justice Program competition. Funds promote a fair and humane criminal justice system and violence prevention that includes alternatives to incarceration, effective legal representation and the reintegration of offenders as productive citizens. Proposals are welcomed from a wide range of organizations and can include both governmental and independent advocacy groups.

MCCORMICK TRIBUNE FOUNDATION COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANTS

Deadline: Ongoing

Website: www.mccormicktribune.org/programs.aspx

The McCormick Tribune Foundation Communities Program supports efforts to stimulate local philanthropy and improve community life through collaborative partnerships in communities nationwide. The foundation helps to support projects that address basic human needs, children and youth at risk, veterans, and community strengthening efforts.

SUPPORTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS

Deadline: Varies by Program

The National Network to End Domestic Violence Fund (NNEDVF) teams up with the Allstate Foundation to support NNEDVF grants to aid domestic violence survivors. The program supports 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations whose core mission is to serve or represent victims of domestic violence and their children. The effort also provides small grants to survivors of domestic violence (women and their families) to help them achieve their educational and job related goals. Any survivor of domestic violence is eligible to apply; however, the application must be completed by a local domestic violence program or coalition to be accepted. Applications will be assessed based on the need. There are a variety of grants available such as one that works through state coalitions to train advocates and encourage economic independence from abusers. Information: <http://www.allstate.com/foundation/domestic-violence-grants.aspx> or 202/543-5566.

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