

## 2020 Decision Making for Magistrates

September 1-3, 2020

### Tuesday, September 1

- 8:30 a.m.      **Zoom Introductions**  
Kate Jennings, program manager, School of Government
- 8:40 a.m.      **Welcome Remarks**  
Chief District Court Judge J. Corpening, New Hanover & Pender Counties
- 8:55 a.m.      **Course Overview**  
Elizabeth Watkins Price, Associate Director of Curriculum and Administration, School of Government
- 9:10 a.m.      **Decisions Are Answers** [30 mins]  
Dona Lewandowski, Associate Professor, School of Government
- 9:40 a.m.      **How We Process Information and How that Affects Decision Making** [60 min]  
Kelly Tait, adjunct professor, University of Nevada
- 10:40 a.m.     **Mindful Moment 1**  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 10:45 a.m.     *End of Morning Session*
- 12:00 p.m.     **We're Only Human: Built-in Errors in Fast Thinking** [60 min]  
Kelly Tait
- 1:00 p.m.      **About the Law** [60 min]  
Dona Lewandowski
- 2:00 p.m.      *End of Lunch Session*
- 3:00 p.m.      **Recognizing Risk Factors for You as a Decision Maker** [60 min]  
Kelly Tait
- 4:00 p.m.      **Mindfulness Primer & Practices** [60 min]  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 5:00 p.m.      *Adjourn for the day*

**Wednesday, September 2**

- 8:30 a.m.      **Mindful Moment 2**  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 8:35 a.m.      **About the Facts** [60 min]  
Dona Lewandowski
- 9:35 a.m.      **Small Decisions Add Up: Being Fair and Being Perceived as Fair** [60 min]  
Kelly Tait
- 10:35 a.m.     *End of morning session*
- 12:00 p.m.    **Applying the Law to the Facts** [60 min]  
Dona Lewandowski
- 1:00 p.m.      **The Impact of Socio-Cultural Factors on Decision Making** [60 min]  
Kelly Tait
- 2:00 p.m.      *End of Lunch Session*
- 3:00 p.m.      **About the Legal Standards** [45 min]  
Dona Lewandowski
- 3:45 p.m.      **The Balancing Act: Strategies to Control Cognitive Errors and Improve Decision Making** [60 min]  
Kelly Tait
- 4:45 p.m.      **Laying Foundation for Wellness** [15 min]  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 5:00 p.m.      *Adjourn for the day*

**Thursday, September 3**

- 8:30 a.m.      **Mindful Moment 3**  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 8:35 a.m.      **Putting It into Action [90 min]**  
Dona Lewandowski, Kelly Tait, & Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 10:35 a.m.     *End of morning session*
- 12:00 p.m.     **Mindful Listening Exercise**  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 12:15 p.m.     **Putting it all Together: How Judicial Officials Make Decisions [60 mins.]**  
Dona Lewandowski
- 1:15 p.m.      **Self-Care Reflection/Goals/Accountability [45 min]**  
Elizabeth Watkins Price
- 2:00 p.m.      *Adjourn*

**Credit Hours:**  
**General:      14.75**

\*Completion of this seminar completely satisfies the continuing education requirement applicable to magistrates for the 2019-2020 biennium. No partial continuing education credit will be awarded: students must attend all sessions to receive credit.