



# NC Association of District Court Judges 2025 Summer Conference

June 16-19, 2025

Embassy Suites Asheville Downtown, Asheville, NC

## Monday, June 16

- 11:00 a.m.**     **The Science of Hope** [1.0 CJE hrs] OPTIONAL – LIMITED SPACE  
Judge J Corpening, Chief District Court Judge, Judicial District 6  
*French Broad 1/2*
- 12:00 p.m.**     **Lunch on Own**
- 2:00 p.m.**     **Court Leader Roles in Security Planning** [1.0 CJE hrs] *Chief Judges Only*  
Chris Palmer, Court Security Director, Utah State Courts  
*Blue Ridge Ballroom*
- 3:00 p.m.**     **Conference of Chief District Court Judges** [1.0 CJE hrs]  
Judge John Davis, President, Conference of Chief District Court Judges  
*Blue Ridge Ballroom*
- 5:00 p.m.**     **Adjourn**

## Tuesday, June 17

- 7:30 a.m.**     **Breakfast**  
*Blue Ridge Ballroom Foyer*
- 8:30 a.m.**     **Welcome**  
Judge James Faison, President, North Carolina Association of District Court Judges  
*Blue Ridge Ballroom*
- 8:45 a.m.**     **Remarks** [0.25 CJE hrs]  
Chief Justice Paul Newby, North Carolina Supreme Court
- 9:00 a.m.**     **AOC and eCourts Update** [0.75 CJE hrs]  
Ryan Boyce, Director, Administrative Office of the Courts  
Brad Fowler, Chief Business Officer, Administrative Office of the Courts
- 9:45 a.m.**     **Judicial Standards Update** [0.75 CJE hrs]  
Brittany Pinkham, Executive Director, NC Judicial Standards Commission  
Hon. Jeffrey Carpenter, Chair, NC Judicial Standards Commission  
Patricia Flood, Commission Counsel, NC Judicial Standards Commission
- 10:30 a.m.**     **Break**

- 10:45 a.m.**      **\*+ Child Welfare Case Update** [1.75 CJE hours]  
Justice Tamara Barringer, North Carolina Supreme Court  
Sara DePasquale, UNC School of Government
- 12:30 p.m.**      **Lunch on Own**  
**Board of Governor's Lunch**  
*Soprana Rooftop Restaurant*
- 2:00 p.m.**      **\* Practical Aspects of UCCJEA** [1.5 CJE hours]  
Judge Meader Harriss, Judicial District 1  
Cheryl Howell, UNC School of Government  
Judge Christine Walczyk, Judicial District 10
- 3:30 p.m.**      *Break*
- 3:45 p.m.**      **\*+ Juvenile Justice/Delinquency Law Update** [0.75 CJE hours]  
Jacqui Greene, UNC School of Government
- 4:30 p.m.**      **State Crime Lab**  
Susan Brooks, Ombudsperson, NC State Crime Lab
- 4:40 p.m.**      **Business Meeting**
- 5:30 p.m.**      *Recess*
- 6:00 p.m.**      **Reception**

## Wednesday, June 18

- 8:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast**  
*Blue Ridge Ballroom Foyer*
- 9:00 a.m.**      **Concurrent Sessions** [1.5 CJE hours]
- Session A:**      **Small Claims Update**  
Melanie Crenshaw, UNC School of Government  
*Blue Ridge 1*
- Session B:**      **Emergency and Threat Response**  
Chris Palmer, Court Security Director, Utah State Courts  
*Blue Ridge 4*
- Session C:**      **\*+ Navigating Rulings When Abuse is Present**  
Judge Ashleigh Parker, Judicial District 10  
*Blue Ridge 2/3*
- Session D:**      **\*+ New in North Carolina: Remediation for Juveniles Who Lack Capacity to Proceed**  
Judge Beth Dixon, Chief District Court Judge, Judicial District 27  
Jacqui Greene, UNC School of Government  
Dr. Amy Blank Wilson, Professor, UNC School of Social Work  
*French Broad 1/2*

- 10:30 a.m.**      *Break*
- 11:00 a.m.**      **Repeat Concurrent Sessions** [1.5 CJE hours]
- 12:30 p.m.**      *Lunch on Own*
- 2:30 p.m.**      **Afternoon Concurrent Sessions** [1.0 CJE hours] *Must pre-register*
- Session A:**      **\*+ Juvenile Defenders: Role, Relationships and Promoting Positive Futures for Youth** OPTIONAL – LIMITED SPACE  
Eric Zogry, Juvenile Defender, NC Indigent Defense Services  
*Blue Ridge 1*
- Session B:**      **Human Trafficking** OPTIONAL – LIMITED SPACE  
Ashley Tauscher, Court Management Specialist, NC Human Trafficking Commission  
*Blue Ridge 2/3*
- 3:30 p.m.**      *Recess*

## Thursday, June 19

- 7:30 a.m.**      **Breakfast**  
*Blue Ridge Ballroom Foyer*
- 8:30 a.m.**      **\* Family Law Case Update** [1.5 CJE hours]  
Cheryl Howell, UNC School of Government
- 10:00 a.m.**      *Break*
- 10:30 a.m.**      **Compassion Fatigue** [1.0 CJE hours]  
Candace Hoffman, NCLAP
- 11:30 a.m.**      **Criminal Law Case Update** [1.5 CJE hours]  
Brittany Bromell, UNC School of Government
- 1:00 p.m.**      *Lunch on Own*
- 2:30 p.m.**      **Recovery Court** [2.0 CJE hours] For judges who preside over recovery courts  
Alexia Stith, NC AOC Court Programs Division  
Kirstin Frescoln, NC AOC Court Programs Division  
Asia Prince, NC AOC Court Programs Division  
Saarah Waleed, NC Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services  
Karen Buck, NC Department of Adult Correction  
Brian Gates, NC Department of Adult Correction  
*Blue Ridge 2/3*
- 4:30 p.m.**      **Adjourn**

This program will have **16.75** hours of instruction for continuing judicial education credit under Rule II.C of Continuing Judicial Education. \*Family Court hours total **9.5** hours. +Juvenile Certification hours total **6.5** hours. Chief Judges receive **1** hour for attending the Court Leader Roles in Security Planning session and **1** hour for attending the meeting of Chief Judges.

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