



Orientation for New Superior Court Judges

January 22-26, 2024 Room 2402

Monday, January 22

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**
Shea Denning, UNC School of Government
- 9:30 a.m. **Welcome from the Administrative Office of the Courts** [0.5 CJE hrs]
Ryan Boyce, Director, NC Administrative Office of the Courts
- 10:00 a.m. **Tools of the Trade: The Benchbook and other Online Resources** [0.5 CJE hrs]
Shea Denning
- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. **Transition to Superior Court** [1.5 CJE hrs]
Hon. Robert C. Ervin, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, District 36
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m. **Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Hon. Paul C. Ridgeway, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, District 10
- 2:15 p.m. **Civil Procedure Basics** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Hon. Donald Bridges, Retired Superior Court Judges, District
- 3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 p.m. **Civil Procedure Basics, cont'd** [1.5 CJE hrs]
- 5:00 p.m. **Recess**

Tuesday, January 23

- 9:00 a.m. **Criminal Court: From Grand Jury to Charging Instruments** [1.25 CJE hrs]
Hon. Todd Pomeroy, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, District 39
Hon. Donald Bridges, Retired Superior Court Judges, District 39
- 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. **Criminal Court: Guilty Pleas** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Shea Denning
- 11:30 a.m. **Criminal Court: Jury Selection and Jury Management** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Hon. Todd Pomeroy
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. **Top 10 Evidentiary Issues** [1.5 CJE hours]
Hon. Michael O'Foghlu, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, Judicial District 16

- 3:00 p.m. Break**
- 3:15 p.m. Criminal Court: From Presentation of Evidence to Verdict** [1.5 CJE hrs]
Hon. Todd Pomeroy
- 4:45 p.m. Recess**

Wednesday, January 24

- 9:00 a.m. Criminal Court: The Right to Counsel** [1.25 CJE hrs]
John Rubin, UNC School of Government
- 10:15 a.m. Break**
- 10:30 a.m. Search Warrants** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Jeff Welty, UNC School of Government
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch**
- 12:30 p.m. Contempt** [1.25 CJE hrs]
Cheryl Howell, School of Government
- 1:45 p.m. Break**
- 2:00 p.m. Judicial Ethics** [1.5 CJE hrs]
Hon. Chris Dillon, Court of Appeals Chief Judge, Former Chair, NC Judicial Standards Commission
Brittany Pinkham, Executive Director, NC Judicial Standards Commission
Patricia Flood, Commission Counsel, NC Judicial Standards Commission
- 3:30 p.m. Break**
- 3:45 p.m. Interpreter Issues** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Kara Mann, Office of Language Access Services, Administrative Office of the Courts
- 4:45 p.m. Recess**
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner**

Thursday, January 25

- 9:00 a.m. Structured Sentencing** [1.5 CJE hrs]
Jamie Markham, School of Government
- 10:30 a.m. Break**
- 10:45 a.m. Probation Violation** [1.25 CJE hrs]
Jamie Markham
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (Boxed Lunches)**
- 12:45 p.m. Depart for Tour of Central Prison and Death Row** [3.0 CJE hrs]

Friday, January 26

- 9:00 a.m.** **Self-Represented Litigants** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Hon. R. Allen Baddour, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, District 18
- 10:00 a.m.** **Research Assistant: Pattern Jury Instructions** [0.75 CJE hrs]
Hon. Allen Baddour
- 10:45 a.m.** **Break**
- 11:00 a.m.** **Perspectives from the Bench – A Panel of Your Peers** [1.0 CJE hrs]
Hon. James Ammons, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, District 14
Hon. Imelda Pate, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, District 9A
Hon. Jacqueline Grant, Superior Court Judge, District 40
- 12:00 p.m.** **Boxed Lunches**
- 12:15 p.m.** **Scheduling, Commissions, the Master Calendar, and Court Reporting** [1.25 CJE hrs]
Ragan Oakley, Assistant Director, Administrative Office of the Courts
Dawn Turnley, Administrative Office of the Courts
Ranae McDermott, Court Reporting Manager, Administrative Office of the Courts
- 1:30 p.m.** **Adjourn**

This program will have **28.0** hours of instruction for continuing judicial education credit under Rule II.C of Continuing Judicial Education.

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