



# Abuse, Neglect, Dependency, & Termination of Parental Rights: A Course for District Court Judges

November 15 – 18, 2016

School of Government, Chapel Hill

## Tuesday, November 15

- 12:00-12:30** Check in
- 12:30 p.m.** Introductions and Objectives
- 12:45 p.m.** **An Overview of Abuse, Neglect, and Dependency Proceedings** [ 1.25 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale, School of Government
- 2:00 p.m.** Break
- 2:15 p.m.** **The Constitutional Framework** [0.75 CJE]  
Wendy Sotolongo, Parent Representation Coordinator, Indigent Defense Services
- 3:00 p.m.** **Federal Laws to Know About** [0.75 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 3:45 p.m.** Break
- 4:00 p.m.** **The Role of the GAL** [1.0 CJE]  
Matthew Wunsch, Appellate Counsel, Guardian Ad Litem Services Division at the NC AOC
- 5:00 p.m.** Adjourn

## Wednesday, November 16

- 8:30 a.m.** **UCCJEA** [1.5 CJE]  
Cheryl Howell, School of Government
- 10:00 a.m.** Break
- 10:15 a.m.** **Pre-adjudication Issues** [1.75 CJE]
- Pre-Adjudication Hearings
  - Subject Matter Jurisdiction
  - Personal Jurisdiction
  - Competency of Respondent Parent
  - Nonsecure Custody
- Sara DePasquale
- 12:00 p.m.** Lunch
- 1:00** **Paternity Issues** [1.0 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale

- 2:00 p.m.**      **Adjudicatory Hearings** [1.25 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 3:15**            **Break**
- 3:30 p.m.**      **Evidence** [1.5 CJE]  
John Rubin, School of Government
- 5:00 p.m.**      **Adjourn**

## **Thursday, November 17**

- 8:30 a.m.**      **Initial Dispositional Hearing** [1.5 CJE]
  - **Reasonable Efforts**
  - **Options**
  - **Case Plan, 7B-904 Authority**Sara DePasquale
- 10:00 a.m.**      **Break**
- 10:15 a.m.**      **Adjudication and Disposition Scenario, large group** [1.00 CJE]
- 11:15 a.m.**      **Adjudication and Disposition Orders** [0.75 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 12:00 p.m.**      **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.**      **Overview of Review/ Permanency Planning** [1.25 CJE]
  - **Notice**
  - **Concurrent Planning**
  - **BIC vs. Constitutional Rights**Sara DePasquale
- 2:15 p.m.**      **Break**
- 2:30 p.m.**      **Permanency Planning Scenario, Large Group** [0.75 CJE]
- 3:15 p.m.**      **Status of Court Case** [1.0 CJE]
  - **Waiving Reviews**
  - **Modification**
  - **Converting to Chapter 50 Custody Order (G.S. 7B-911)**
  - **Aging Out**
  - **Adoption (No, I didn't forget about TPR)**
  - **Terminating Jurisdiction**
- 4:15 p.m.**      **Responsible Individuals List** [0.75 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 5:00 p.m.**      **Adjourn**

## Friday, November 18

- 8:30 a.m.**      **Initiation of Termination of Parental Rights Proceedings** [0.75 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 9:15 a.m.**      **TPR: Grounds** [1.0 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 10:15 a.m.**      **Break**
- 10:30 a.m.**      **TPR: Relevance of Prior Orders** [.5 CJE]  
John Rubin
- 11:00 a.m.**      **Disposition** [.5 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 11:30 p.m**      **Break**
- 11:45 p.m.**      **TPR Order and Next Steps in A/N/D Cases** [1.0 CJE]  
Sara DePasquale
- 12:45 p.m.**      **Wrap up and Evaluations**
- 1:00**              **Adjourn**

This program will have **21.5 hours** of instruction, all of which will qualify for family court and juvenile certification continuing judicial education credit under Rule II.C of Continuing Judicial Education.