



ACCESS, FAIRNESS, PUBLIC TRUST AND CONFIDENCE COMMITTEE
JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GEORGIA
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Committee Co-Chairs

Justice Robert Benham

Justice Carol W. Hunstein

September 22, 2016

The mission of the AFPTC Committee is to improve the public's trust in the judicial branch by focusing on access and fairness through the elimination of systemic barriers related to gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, indigence, and language. The AFPTC Committee, which is co-chaired by Justice Benham and Justice Hunstein, is currently working on several projects. AFPTC projects currently in progress include:

- The development of a new Georgia ADA handbook for the courts;
- A symposium entitled “Georgia Reflections on Ferguson – The Role of the Courts” in partnership with the Council of Municipal Court Judges and the Institute of Continuing Judicial Education, to be held on December 15, 2016, at Mercer University (an agenda is attached). **Registration is open to the public beginning on October 17, 2016;**
- A (2017) National Association of Women Judges conference to be held in Atlanta from October 11, 2017, through October 15, 2017, co-chaired by Justice Carol W. Hunstein and Chief Judge Sara Doyle;
- An ADA Handbook Supplement on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for judges and court personnel;
- The development of a best practices tool kit for court-based self-help programs to ensure access and efficiency in the court process;
- A judicial training summit on Human Trafficking and the Courts, funded in part by a grant from the State Justice Institute, was held on October 6, 2016, at Emory University in partnership with the Attorney General of Georgia and the Institute of Continuing Judicial Education (an agenda is attached);
- Future possible projects under consideration by the AFPTCC include training for courts on the Atlanta consulates and the services they provide, a community project with Diversity Bar leaders, a seminar on implicit bias, a seminar on providing services to transgender individuals, a seminar on transparency in the courts and consideration of IT issues and fairness in the courts.



SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

Atlanta February 4, 2016

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed:

Upon consideration, the Court hereby establishes the Judicial Council Access, Fairness, Public Trust and Confidence Standing Committee with the mission of improving the public's trust in the judicial branch by focusing on access and fairness through the elimination of systemic barriers related to gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, indigence, and language. This Committee is created as a successor to the Access, Fairness, Public Trust and Confidence Standing Committee which shall sunset on February 9, 2016. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide staff support to the Committee.

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Judicial Council of Georgia, membership shall include at least one current Judicial Council member. Future membership terms shall run concurrent to the Judicial Council strategic plans. The following members are hereby appointed to the Judicial Council Access, Fairness, Public Trust and Confidence Standing Committee for terms ending June 30, 2018:

Justice Robert Benham	Supreme Court of Georgia
Justice Carol W. Hunstein	Supreme Court of Georgia
Chief Judge Sara L. Doyle	Court of Appeals of Georgia
Judge Horace J. Johnson, Jr.	Superior Court, Alcovy Circuit
Judge Gail S. Tusan	Superior Court, Atlanta Circuit
Judge Jason B. Thompson	State Court of Fayette County
Judge Cassandra Kirk	Magistrate Court of Fulton County
Judge Sherry Moore	Probate Court of Jackson County
Judge LaTisha Dear Jackson	Municipal Court of Stone Mountain
Presiding Judge Robert V. Rodatus	Juvenile Court of Gwinnett County
Tracy Johnson	Clerk/Court Administrator Representative 1
Will Simmons	Clerk/Court Administrator Representative 2
V. Sharon Edenfield, Esq.	State Bar of Georgia Young Lawyers Division

Joy Lampley-Fortson, Esq.
Lori Gelchion, Esq.
Coy Johnson, Jr., Esq.
Monica Khant, Esq.
David M. Sneed, Esq.

Ga Association of Black Women Attorneys
Georgia Association of Women Lawyers
Gate City Bar Association
Ga Asian Pacific American Bar Association
State Bar of Georgia

Justice Robert Benham and Justice Carol W. Hunstein shall serve as Co-Chairpersons until further designated.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA
Clerk's Office, Atlanta

I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from
the minutes of the Supreme Court of Georgia
Witness my signature and the seal of said court hereto
affixed the day and year last above written.

 Clerk

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND THE COURTS SUMMIT

Sponsored by:

- *Judicial Council of Georgia's Access, Fairness, Public Trust and Confidence Committee and the Administrative Office of the Courts*

with the

- *Office of the Attorney General of Georgia*
- *Institute for Continuing Judicial Education – University of Georgia*

and

- *Emory University – School of Law*

Partners:

- *Criminal Justice Coordinating Council*
- *Department of Family and Children Services*
- *DeKalb County District Attorney's Office*
- *Georgia Assylum and Immigration Network*
- *Office of the Child Advocate*
- *Wellspring Living*
- *youthSpark*

Credit Hours Information:

- *7.5 MCJE credit hours, for Superior Court and State Court Judges; others check with the ICJE.*
- *6 CLE credit hours with 3 trial credit hours.*

Registration Fee:

A registration fee of \$30 is required for meals and beverages.

Agenda:

	Title	Presenter/Panel
8:15	Registration and Coffee	
8:50	<p>Welcome by Robert A. Shapiro, Dean Emory University School of Law</p> <p>Melissa D. Carter, Executive Director of Emory Law's <i>Barton Child Law and Policy Center</i></p> <p>Presiding Justice P. Harris Hines, Supreme Court of Georgia</p>	<p>Robert A. Shapiro</p> <p>Melissa D. Cater</p> <p>Presiding Justice Hines</p>
9:00	<p>Overview of Human Trafficking - What is it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Definition (International (Palermo Protocol), Trafficking Victims Protection Act, State (OCGA 16-5-46))</i> • <i>Labor Trafficking</i> • <i>Sex Trafficking (adults and children)</i> • <i>Difference between adult prostitution and Human Trafficking</i> • <i>Is this a problem in Georgia?</i> • <i>Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking in Georgia</i> • <i>Georgia laws that have been enacted over the past several years (HB 200 – 2011, Safe Harbor, Trafficking Notice, OCGA 16-5-47)</i> • <i>Demand for Human Trafficking Victims</i> 	<p>Attorney General Sam Olens, Georgia Attorney General's Office</p> <p>Camila Wright Human Trafficking Prosecutor Assistant Attorney General, Georgia Attorney General's Office</p>
9:30	Break	
9:40	<p>Recognizing Justice-Involved Victims and Understanding Their Needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How can justice system stakeholders work to identify victims and respond to their needs?</i> • <i>What types of cases may involve trafficking victims?</i> • <i>In family/juvenile courts, what does this process look like and how does it differ from criminal court?</i> • <i>What does it mean to be "trauma-informed" and how does this apply to the justice system?</i> 	<p>Moderator: Honorable Sara Doyle, Chief Judge, Georgia Court of Appeals</p> <p>Ambassador Susan Coppedge, Ambassador-at-Large to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons and Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State (invited)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How does sex trafficking intersect with domestic violence and sexual assault?</i> • <i>What are some indicators of trafficking?</i> 	<p>Honorable Willie Lovett, Judge, Fulton County Juvenile Court</p> <p>Honorable Fernando Camacho, Judge, Suffolk County Court, 10th Judicial District, Court of Claims Judge and Acting Supreme Court Justice, <i>originator of the first human trafficking court in New York</i></p> <p>Camila Wright Zolfaghari Human Trafficking Prosecutor, Assistant Attorney General, Georgia Attorney General's Office</p>
10:30	Break	
10:40	<p>How courts can respond to the issues of Human Trafficking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What can judges do to address human trafficking? (e.g. leadership, convening stakeholders, etc.)</i> • <i>How did your court model get started? When did you realize that the court needed to do things differently?</i> • <i>What sort of cases do you handle? How are cases identified and processed? How is this different than traditional cases case processing?</i> • <i>How is the program funded and staffed?</i> • <i>How do you define success? What are your outcomes? (statistics and stories)</i> 	<p>Danielle Malangone, Director, National Anti- Trafficking Strategies, Center for Court Innovation</p> <p>Honorable Paul M. Herbert, Judge, Franklin County Municipal Court, Columbus, OH (Ohio CATCH Court)</p>
11:00	Break	

11:10	<p>Children in Foster Care and Human Trafficking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The impact & requirements for children in foster care of</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act and</i> 2) <i>Trafficking Victims Protection Act;</i> • <i>Multi-disciplinary protocol for the investigation and prosecution of child abuse and sexual exploitation;</i> • <i>The Safe Harbor Bill Service Plan</i> 	<p>Moderator: Honorable Peggy Walker, Judge, Douglas County Juvenile Court</p> <p>Ashley Willcott, Director, Georgia Office of the Child Advocate</p> <p>Jodi Spiegel, Assistant Director, Director, Georgia Office of the Child Advocate</p> <p>Beth Locker, Federal Grants Manager, Georgia Division of Family and Children Services</p>
12:00	Lunch (included in registration fee)	
12:15	Spoken Word Presentation	Crystal Williams and Company
12:25	Break – stretch	
12:30	<p>A View from the Bar: What Attorneys Want Judges to Know About the Prosecution of HT Cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Information on the training that prosecutors are receiving around the state to have the ability to prosecute an HT case in state court.</i> • <i>Case study of HT case involving the trafficking of a boy tried by Judge David Emerson.</i> • <i>How prosecutor offices are handling the arrests of adult women or men for “prostitution.”</i> • <i>Do Georgia Courts need a paradigm shift in our adult courts on issues of adult prostitution vs. human trafficking?</i> 	<p>Moderator: Dalia Racine, Assistant District Attorney, DeKalb County</p> <p>Judge David Emerson, Douglas County Superior Court Judge</p> <p>Jennifer Hendee, Assistant District Attorney, Gwinnett County</p> <p>Esther Panitch, Defense Attorney, The Panitch Law Group, P.C.</p> <p>Honorable Sherry Boston, Solicitor General and District Attorney Elect, DeKalb County, Georgia</p>

1:10	Break	
1:20	<p>Nuts and Bolts: Jurisdiction and Evidence Issues in HT Cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What is the exclusive and the concurrent jurisdiction of federal and state courts in HT cases?</i> • <i>What are the jurisdictional considerations if a crime occurs in more than one county or state?</i> • <i>How do you determine where a crime occurred for purposes of venue?</i> • <i>When is it appropriate to use close circuit testimony in cases for victims under 17 years of age based on O.C.G.A. § 17-8-55, and for victims 17 years of age or older?</i> 	<p>Moderator: Katherine Hoffer, Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of Georgia</p> <p>Honorable Leslie Abrams, Judge, United States District Court, Middle District of Georgia (invited)</p> <p>Dalia Racine or Destiny Harris, Assistant District Attorney, DeKalb County District Attorney’s Office</p> <p>Nathan Whiteman, Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation</p> <p>Jeff Ertel, Senior Litigation Attorney at Federal Defender Program, Inc. (invited)</p>
2:00	Break	
2:10	<p>What Services Victims Need and What Resources are Available?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What specific services are available for both child and adult victims?</i> • <i>What questions do I need to ask of attorneys and advocates to make the best decisions about the most appropriate resources?</i> • <i>Based on the underlying needs of trafficking victims, what are the most effective interventions? (trauma-informed, DV/sexual assault provider, etc.)</i> • <i>How do I access the resources?</i> • <i>How can service providers partner with the courts to help identify victims and connect them to services?</i> • <i>Who do I contact to get more info?</i> 	<p>Moderator: Honorable Cassandra Kirk, Chief Judge Magistrate Court of Fulton County</p> <p>Mary Frances Bowley, President/Founder, Wellspring Living</p> <p>Heather Stockdale, Executive Director & Co-Founder, Georgia Cares</p> <p>Melba Robinson, Program Director, Haven ATL, Salvation Army</p>

		Jeff Shaw, Director, Out of Darkness
3:00	Break	
3:10	<p>International Aspects of Human Trafficking in Georgia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Legal basis for state court jurisdiction in labor trafficking cases - what is the legal authority.</i> • <i>Substantive state law on labor trafficking - what are the elements of the offense and what are possible defenses?</i> • <i>Brief description of labor trafficking case that was prosecuted (either in state or federal court)</i> • <i>What the law states regarding certification - what is the legal authority that allows a state court judge to sign a certification based on the Violence Against Women’s Act and Trafficking Victim Protection Act.</i> • <i>What factors (for and against) should a state court judge consider in deciding to sign the certification.</i> • <i>Resources specifically for foreign-born victims.</i> 	<p>Moderator: Ambassador Susan Coppedge, Ambassador-at-Large to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons and Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State (invited)</p> <p>Alia El-Sawi, Victim Assistance Specialist, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations</p> <p>Shinji Morokuma, Program Director, Office of Court Professionals, Administrative Office of the Courts</p> <p>Additional Panelists to be Announced Shortly</p>
3:40	Break	
3:50	<p>Judicial Ethics Discussion</p>	<p>Moderator: Rich Reaves, Executive Director, Institute of Continuing Judicial Education</p> <p>Honorable Cassandra Kirk, Chief Judge Magistrate Court of Fulton County</p> <p>Honorable Bonnie Chessher Oliver</p>

		<p>Northeastern Circuit Superior Court</p> <p>Honorable Robert V. Rodatus Presiding Judge, Gwinnett Circuit Juvenile Court</p> <p>Additional Panelist to be Announced Shortly</p>
4:20	Break	
4:30	Final Thoughts from our Out-of State Guests	<p>Moderator: Attorney General Sam Olens</p> <p>Honorable Fernando Camacho, Judge, Suffolk County Court, 10th Judicial District, Court of Claims Judge and Acting Supreme Court Justice, <i>originator of the first human trafficking court in New York</i></p> <p>Ambassador Susan Coppedge, Ambassador-at-Large to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons and Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State (invited)</p> <p>Danielle Malangone, Director, National Anti-Trafficking Strategies, Center for Court Innovation.</p>
4:50	Closing Remarks	Attorney General Sam Olens
4:55	CJE Portion of the Program will Adjourn	
5:00	Reception with Light Refreshments and Beer & Wine (included in registration fee)	

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Target Attendance -- 270 attendees – open to judges first and then to the general public
 President's Dining Room, University Center, Mercer University

Open registration by September 15

Master of Ceremonies – To Be Decided

Questions will be received from the audience on index cards, reviewed and read to the panel
 by the moderator

9 am to 9:50 am	Registration	
9:50 am to 10:00 am	Moderator Welcome and Program Overview	
10 am to 10:05 am	Welcome	Chief Justice Hugh Thompson (confirmed)
10:05 am to 10:10 am	CMCJ President Remarks	Judge Gary Jackson, Atlanta Municipal Court
10:10 am to 11 am	<p>Video in Courts/Open Courtrooms</p> <p>While it is true that many appeals courts at the State level agree that video should be recorded of court proceedings in appeals courts, most seem to agree that trial courts create different concerns.</p> <p>Does the use of video by citizens in court have any open courtrooms dimensions? If it does, what are those dimensions?</p> <p>And, if video is to be allowed, how much should we allow citizens to record what is going on in court?</p> <p>In the not too distant past, few people had access to video cameras, and such cameras were cumbersome. Today, virtually everyone has a smart phone with video capability. Should courts control this use, or is the use of video in court by citizens something we should get comfortable with?</p> <p>The Access and Fairness Committee of the Supreme Court, of course, has looked at this issue, as have some of the Court Councils.</p> <p>In the past, the various court rules have limited video access to the press, but in this day and age of bloggers, tweeters, facebook posters, and snapchat and periscope users, should courts continue to curtail the use of video by private citizens in court?</p> <p>If so, what guiding principles should courts review to determine if video use should be allowed?</p> <p>And, if not, are there any concerns raised by allowing anyone to video at anytime?</p> <p>It might be nice to have a panel including an</p>	<p>Jane Hansen – Supreme Court Public Information Officer • Moderator - confirmed</p> <p>Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears (Ret.), Partner, Schiff Hardin - confirmed</p> <p>Hon. Verda Colvin, Judge, Macon Circuit Superior Court (invited)</p> <p>Hollie Manheimer, Executive Director Georgia First Amendment Foundation (invited)</p> <p>Hon. Ashley Wright, District Attorney, Richmond County</p>

	appellate court judge, a superior court judge, a municipal court judge, a member of the press, a prosecutor and a public defender to talk about these issues. Maybe answer 5 questions on point during an hour session on this issue.	
11 am to 11:10 am	Break	
11:10 am to 12 Noon	Presentation on Georgia Criminal Justice Reform Council	Judge Michael Boggs, Georgia Court of Appeals (invited)
12 Noon to 12:50 pm	Presentation on Department of Justice Ferguson Report and Court Reform	Judge Leslie Spornberger Jones, Municipal Court of Athens-Clarke County - confirmed
12:50 am to 2:00 pm	Lunch	Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates (invited)
2:00 pm to 2:50 pm	The Process is the Punishment – A different process in lower level courts https://www.russellsage.org/publications/process-punishment https://www.jstor.org/stable/20108780?seq=1#page_scan_tab_contents https://www.russellsage.org/publications/process-punishment	Rusi Patel, Assistant General Counsels, GMA • Moderator (invited) --southern center for human rights presenter TBD (invited) Honorable Rebecca Grist – Solicitor General Bibb County and Immediate Past President, Georgia Association of Solicitor Generals - confirmed A criminal defense attorney is being invited. Judge Harold McLendon of Dublin (invited) Attorney and Minister Francys Johnson - confirmed
2:50 pm to 3:00 pm	Break	
3:00 pm to 3:50 pm	The role of the legislative branch, the executive branch (like DOJ), the role of the community, and the role of judges in creating change http://www.newsweek.com/unconstitutional-jail-poor-cant-pay-bail-492144	Rick Deane – Moderator (invited) Senator John Flanders Kennedy, Jr. (invited)

		-- Vanita Gupta, Civil Rights Division, DOJ, to potentially speak on what DOJ is doing/DOJ (may be invited) --Judge Meng Lim, Tallapoosa Circuit, Seventh Judicial District (invited)
3:50 pm to 4:00 pm	Break	
4:00 pm to 4:45 pm	Next Steps and Action Items – Audience Discussion: What will each group do and how do I fit in?	Judge Latisha Dear Jackson (confirmed)
4:45 pm to 5:00 pm	AFPTC Co-Chair Remarks	Justice Robert Benham (invited) Justice Carol W. Hunstein (invited)
5 pm	Adjourn to Reception at Harriett Tubman Museum	

Reception, Harriett Tubman Museum (Wine and Cheese Reception)

Co-Chairs, Host Committee –

- Ira Foster, Managing Attorney, Georgia Legal Services Program and Past President, Macon Bar Association
- Rebecca Grist, Solicitor General, Bibb County

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