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# **Litigation Skills Training Program**

**January 27-29, 2011**



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Effective Advocacy Under  
the Fair Housing Laws  
Thursday-Saturday, January 27-29, 2011**

The John Marshall Law School Fair Housing Legal Support Center will conduct its 19th annual training on Effective Advocacy Under the Fair Housing Laws, a skills training program for attorneys who litigate fair housing cases, from January 27-29, 2011.

The program focuses on the practical skills an attorney needs to proceed in a contested hearing or trial in a fair housing case. Particular emphasis is placed on trial advocacy techniques used in the direct and cross examination of witnesses, opening statements, and closing arguments. Each participant receives the case study material prior to the conference and, along with another attorney, is assigned a client to represent. Participants are divided by their experience into small groups, where they are instructed by and present their cases before judges and attorneys.

The training is useful both for attorneys new to practice and the more experienced attorney who is seeking assistance in litigating fair housing cases. Therefore, no one is too experienced or inexperienced not to benefit from the program.

#### **Instructors**

The veteran instructors, Judge Deborah Myers-Cregar, Office of Administrative Hearing, Los Angeles; William C. Cregar, formerly with the HUD Office of Administrative Law Judges in Washington, DC; and attorney Edward Voci of Chicago, will direct participants through a mock fair housing trial. They have acted as instructors in many of the Center's previous training programs and have received rave reviews from participants.

#### **Participants**

This type of hands-on training has proved to be extremely successful. To make it work, we need a commitment from those who register that they will come prepared and attend every session. The attorneys who meet the program requirements will receive their case study materials at least two weeks before the training. A Certificate of Attendance is awarded upon completion of the course. Participants also receive CLE credit for the course.

#### **Registration**

This program is open on a first-come, first-served basis to 36 attorneys who want to know more about how to litigate a fair housing case. All potential participants must register by Friday, December 10, 2010, either by fax to 312.427.9438, or by mail. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact the Fair Housing Legal Support Center at 312.987.2397. Since participation is limited, we ask that space be reserved only if there is a commitment to participate fully in this program. Priority will be given to those who have not participated in one of our previous skills training programs.

The cost of the program is \$650, which includes registration, materials, CLE credit, and refreshments.

#### **Program**

Registration will open at 8 a.m. on Thursday, January 27. The program will begin promptly at 9 a.m. on the 12th floor of The John Marshall Law School, 315 South Plymouth Court, Chicago, Illinois. It will end at approximately 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 29.

A wine and cheese reception for all participants will be held at the law school on Thursday evening immediately following the program.

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January 27-29, 2011 (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)

## Registration Form

**Send registration form, resume, and summary of experience with payment or government purchase order to The John Marshall Law School Fair Housing Legal Support Center, 315 S. Plymouth Court, Chicago, IL 60604, or via fax to 312.427.9438.**

**Registration Deadline: Friday, December 10, 2010.**

Please provide the following information:

What year were you admitted to the bar? \_\_\_\_\_ How many trials have you done? \_\_\_\_\_ How many fair housing trials have you done? \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper, briefly describe your litigation experience, both generally and specifically in fair housing, and how you plan to use the training.  
**Please attach your resume.**

**Please type or print the following information.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

(No P.O. Boxes Accepted)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Continuing Legal Education Credit: Approximately. 16.75 hours, includes 1 hour of Professional Ethics**

*The John Marshall Law School will advise the appropriate state bar or agency indicated below of the presentation of its program. The extension of CLE credit is subject to each state's approval. It is the responsibility of the individual to meet the requirements of each jurisdiction. The John Marshall Law School is an approved MCLE provider with the state bars of Illinois, Missouri, and Pennsylvania. The John Marshall Law School will assist with applications to Florida, Georgia, Rhode Island, and Texas, but attorneys must apply individually for credit for courses and submit payment directly to these states.*

(Complete for CLE Credit. Be sure to list all states where you need credit.)

State \_\_\_\_\_ Bar # \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Bar # \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Method (check one): Registration Fee: \$650**

Check payable to The John Marshall Law School.

Government Agency Purchase Order/Voucher No. \_\_\_\_\_ JMLS ID# 36-2371220

Credit Card:  Master Card  VISA  Discover  American Express Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Unfortunately, there are no funds available to provide scholarships or fee reductions. The registration fee only covers the hard costs to produce the training.

**Special Service Requirements:** Requests must be received by January 3, 2011. Please indicate any ADA service needs below.

Attending in a wheelchair or other personal transport device

Additional ADA service requirement \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

**Confirmation:** A confirmation will be sent by fax or e-mail. An agenda and study materials will be sent under separate cover.

**Cancellation:** A cancellation must be received by January 3, 2011, for a full refund. Thereafter, a cancellation fee of \$100 will incur.

**Hotel Accommodations:** Training attendees are responsible for securing their own hotel reservations. We have reserved a block of rooms at a special rate at Club Quarters, Chicago, 111 W. Adams St., Chicago, Illinois 60603, Call 212.575.0006 and mention The John Marshall Law School group code "JMLS01" for your reservation and the conference rate. Reservations must be made by December 26, 2010 to receive the special conference rate.

**Please complete and return this form by December 10, 2010 to:**

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