



New York Public Welfare Association

Symposium on Child Welfare Legal Issues

Margaret Burt, NYPWA Counsel, Presents:

"It's All Relative"

Thursday, September 4, 2008

10:00 am - 2:30 pm

9:30-10:00 Coffee break

Ontario County Safety Training Facility

2914 County Road 48

Canandaigua, New York 14424

Wednesday, September 17, 2008

10:00 am - 2:30 pm (legal meeting 2:30 - 3:30)

9:30-10:00 Coffee break and CLE sign-in

Best Western Sovereign Hotel - Squire Room

1228 Western Avenue

Albany, New York 12203

Training Program

The NYPWA is sponsoring a half-day presentation entitled "It's All Relative." **It will focus on new legislation affecting how districts handle placements with relatives. Hear the new options available and discuss policy, practice and legal changes necessary to comply with the new laws.** This program is designed for social services attorneys, directors of services, supervisors, and caseworkers. Commissioners are also welcome to attend. You may view the following bills at www.assembly.state.ny.us

S7447-A/A10808-A: Clarification of Placement Options in Art. 10 and Art. 6

S4838-B/A8358-B: Clarification of nonparental custodians and guardians

This is a dynamic, interactive symposium. Bring your experiences and your questions. The fee is \$30 for children's services personnel who attend either presentation and includes a working lunch and materials. The fee is \$90 for attorneys who attend the September 17 session in Albany and desire CLE credits. Please see enclosed registration form. Pre-registration is required. The meeting is restricted to local district personnel only (your relatives & others are not permitted). Questions? Call NYPWA at 518-465-9305 or write to nypwa@nycap.rr.com. This notice is also posted on www.nypwa.com.

Meet the Presenter

Margaret Burt, Esq. conducts a private law practice specializing in trial and appellate work in the child welfare arena. She also serves as a national lecturer and has formally trained hundreds of judges, social services caseworkers and attorneys. Ms. Burt has been a legal consultant to the NYPWA for more than 15 years. In this role, she reviews all pertinent legislation relative to Family Court and related social services issues, drafts bill language and prepares commentary on proposed policy changes. She has worked on a variety of issues such as ASFA, permanency legislation, and strengthening child protective services. She also provides semi-annual presentations on case law trends and other issues. Earlier in her career she was the first deputy attorney for Monroe County.

NO CLE Credits for September 4 training in Canandaigua.

Attorneys seeking CLEs are invited to register for the session in Albany on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, for a higher fee of \$90, including 4 CLEs.

NYPWA Registration Form

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Please register by email, nypwa@nycap.rr.com, or fax this form to 518-465-5633. If you need a hotel room in Albany, please contact the Albany Best Western Sovereign Hotel at least three weeks in advance at 518-489-2981. Ask to make your reservation under the NYPWA room block. The rate is \$81 per night.

Fill out one form per person, or provide ALL this information via email.

County/DSS: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

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NYPWA Legal Committee Meeting from 2:30 to 3:30 (no cost, but you must pre-register.)

Select Payment Option:

Check enclosed

Voucher enclosed

Please send invoice to: _____

Note: Pre-registration is required by **Sept. 1**. Additional registrations will be accepted **if** space permits. The meeting is restricted to local DSS employees.

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