

**5TH ANNUAL O.P.D. STATEWIDE MEETING
and
TRAINING CONFERENCE**

The Holiday Inn Conference Center
West Yellowstone, Montana

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Sign-In: 1:00 – 3:00

1st Session (3:00 – 5:00)

Regional Caucus Meetings for staff and contract attorneys

(Please attend the appropriate caucus)

(Room #1: Regions 2 & 9)

(Room #2: Regions 1, 3, 4, & 8)

(Room #3: Regions 5, 6, 7, 10, & 11)

(Room #4: Justware Basics for Investigators and other new OPD staff)

2nd Session (5:00 – 6:00)

Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Appellate Defender Office: 2010 Montana Supreme Court Update

*Walter Hennessey: Standards for Handling Guardianship Matters **

*Kirsten Mull-Core: Professionally Responsible Practice in Treatment Court ***

*Mori Woods / Dan Kohm: Investigator Meeting ****

** Mandatory for attorneys handling Guardianship cases*

*** Mandatory for attorneys assigned to Treatment Court*

**** Mandatory for investigators*

7:00: Banquet and Awards Dinner

Guest of Honor: Justice Patricia O. Cotter

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

3rd Session (8:00 – 9:30)

Concurrent Breakout Sessions

90 mins CLE

Laura Schile: Securing the Chain of Custody: Proper Techniques for the Collection and Preservation of Evidence

Michael Donahoe: Habeas Corpus & Post Conviction Practice in Montana

4th Session: Breakouts (9:45 – 10:45)

Concurrent Breakout Sessions

60 mins CLE

*George Yeannakis: Don't Waive that Transfer Hearing (DJ) **

*James Siegman / Steve Eschenbacher: Cross Examining the Arresting Officer in DUI ***

*Joslyn Hunt: Understanding Conflicts of Interest ****

** Mandatory for attorneys handling youth court cases*

*** Mandatory for attorneys practicing in Courts of Limited Jurisdiction*

**** Mandatory for investigators*

5th Session (11:00 – 1:00 PM)

120 mins CLE

Trial Evidence:

Getting it in / Keeping it out / Building a record

(A demonstrative discussion)

Moderator: Hon. Patricia Cotter

Panelists: Randi Hood / Steven Scott / Joslyn Hunt / Brent Larson

Concurrent Session

*Laura Schile: Tips & Techniques for Investigating Miscellaneous Forensic Matters **

** Mandatory for investigators*

1:00 PM: ADJOURN FOR THE DAY (Balance of day free for personal activities)

7:00 PM: Dinner

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

6th Session (8:00 – Noon)

240 mins CLE

Advocacy, Communication and Elimination of Bias (III)

Educating Culturally Naïve Juries

(A Group Workshop)

Amie Thurber / Andrew King-Ries

**** Noon: Adjourn ****

SPEAKERS / PRESENTERS / PANELISTS

Justice Patricia O. Cotter was elected to the Montana Supreme Court in 2000.

George Yeannakis is Special Counsel for Team Child, Advocacy for Youth, in Seattle, WA.

Michael Donahoe is a Federal Defender in Missoula.

Laura Schile, formerly with the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System, is a forensic consultant with Pocket Expert Consulting Company in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Andrew King-Ries is an associate professor of law at the University of Montana Law School.

Amie Thurber is Executive Director of National Coalition Building Institute, Missoula.

Kirsten Mull Core is an attorney in Bozeman.

Steve Scott is an attorney with the OPD Major Crimes Unit.

Steve Eschenbacher is the Managing Attorney of the OPD office in Polson.

James Siegman is a staff attorney in the Billings OPD office.

Randi Hood is the Chief Public Defender for Montana.

Joslyn Hunt is the Chief Appellate Defender for Montana.

Brent Larson has been a clerk for Justice James Nelson since 2005.