Friday, May 12, 2023—Held Virtually from the University of Richmond School of Law
7 CLE credits pending, including 1.0 ethics credit/6.0 GAL credits and 2 mental disabilities advocacy credits

8:30 – 8:45 Welcome
Wendy Perdue, Dean, University of Richmond School of Law,
Prof. Julie E. McConnell, Director, UR Law Children’s Defense Clinic

8:45 – 9:45 Managing the Challenges Presented by DJJ's Recent Policy Changes
Lacey Parker, Senior Trial Attorney, Charlottesville Public Defender

9:45 – 10:45 Data Driven Direct Advocacy: Adding Another Tool to Your Kit
Valerie Slater, Director, Rise for Youth
Eduardo Ferrer, Visiting Professor of Law and Policy Director, Juvenile Justice Initiative, Georgetown Law

10:45 – 11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:00 Making Sense of Mental Health Diagnoses and Medications Among System-Involved Adolescents
Dr. Lucy Guarnera from the Institute on Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy
Jason Pickett, M.D. Forensic Psychiatry Fellow

12:00 – 12:30 Break: Grab your lunch and re-gather on Zoom for the next presentation.

12:30 – 1:30 Updates in the Law: 2022-2023 Legislative and Case Law Update
Amy Woolard, Chief Program Officer, ACLU of Virginia
Julie McConnell, Director, UR Children’s Defense Clinic

1:30 – 1:40 Break

1:40 – 2:40 Using an Expert to Help Explain the Role of Trauma in Delinquent Behavior
Monique Laguerre, LCSW, a trauma specialist
Moderator, Julie McConnell, Director, UR Law Children’s Defense Clinic

2:40 – 2:50 Break

2:50 – 3:50 Breaking Down the IEP/504 Plan
Norm Geller, PhD
Megan Thomas, City of Alexandria Public Defender
Jennifer Newman, Esq. Guardian ad litem

3:50 – 4:00 Break

4:00 – 5:00 Effectively Managing Vicarious Trauma
Allison Sampson-Dyer, Chief Executive Officer, Resilient Leaders, LLC