

26th Annual Robert E. Shepherd Jr. Juvenile Law and Education Conference

How To Win By Thinking Outside of the Box

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Friday, May 13, 2022—Held Virtually from the University of Richmond School of Law
7 CLE credits, 1 ethics credit, 6 GAL credits & 7 felony/misdemeanor and 4 mental health credits with VIDC

- 8:30-8:45 **Welcome**—Associate Dean for Faculty Development, Allison Tait
Prof. Julie E. McConnell, Director, Children’s Defense Clinic
- 8:45-10:45 **How Do We Use Experts in Our Cases?**
Melissa Heifetz, Founder, Advocacy Partners, Ashburn, VA
Cary Jacob Citronberg, Zwerling/Citronberg PLLC, Alexandria, VA
Dr. Norm Geller, Expert on Autism Assessment and Diagnosis, Richmond, VA
- 10:45-11:00 **Break**
- 11:00-12:00 **Education Panel—Understanding Intellectual Disability, Mental Health, and Trauma; What to Look for in Educational Records and How to Obtain Them.**
Juliet Hiznay, J.D. Hiznay, PLLC, Arlington, VA
Julia J.W. Ovando, Esquire, Arlington, VA
- 12:00-12:30 **Break: Grab your lunch and re-gather on Zoom for the next presentation.**
- 12:30-1:30 **2021-2022 Legislative and Case Law Update.**
Amy Woolard, Attorney and Policy Coordinator for the JustChildren Program
of the Legal Aid Justice Center, Charlottesville, VA
Julie McConnell, Director, UR Children’s Defense Clinic, Richmond, VA
- 1:30-1:40 **Break**
- 1:40-2:40 **Thinking Outside of the Box—Strategies for Discretionary Transfer Cases.**
Alanna Trivelli, Assistant Public Defender, Office of the Public Defender for the
City of Richmond, Richmond, VA
Sara Gaborik, The Law Offices of Sara M. Gaborik, Richmond, VA
Azeem Majeed, returning citizen originally sentenced to LWOP, Norfolk, VA
- 2:40-2:50 **Break**
- 2:50-3:50 **Child-Centered Pretrial Motions in Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.**
Amina Matheny-Willard, Amina Matheny-Willard, PLLC, Norfolk, VA
Brad M. Lindsay, Deputy Public Defender, Office of the Public Defender,
Lynchburg, VA
- 3:50-4:00 **Break**
- 4:00-5:00 **Ethical Considerations Regarding Competency Issues in Child Cases.**
Dr. Michele Killough Nelson, Forensic Psychology Associates, Richmond, VA
Ashley Slone, Ashley Slone Law, PLLC, Chesterfield, VA
- 5:00 **Adjourn**