



**The Legal Aid Association of California (LAAC)  
proudly presents the**

**Inland Empire Traveling  
Training 2008**

**Wednesday,  
November 19, 2008  
9:15 AM-5:00 PM**

UC Riverside Extension  
1200 University Avenue  
Riverside, CA 92507  
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## LAAC's 2008 Inland Empire Traveling Training

### **Background Information:**

In response to training needs identified at the "Connecting the Dots" 2001 Annual Stakeholders Meeting, the Legal Aid Association of California (LAAC) offers a yearly series of Traveling Trainings designed to bring high-quality substantive trainings to advocates in Sacramento, Fresno, the Inland Empire, and San Diego. The 2008 Inland Empire Training is LAAC's 10th Traveling Training in seven years, and its first in the Inland Empire.

Traveling Trainings introduce advocates to a range of Support Center expertise, with trainers from throughout California presenting workshops on diverse substantive issues, skills, and hot topics. Those attending earn **MCLE credit** in workshops on areas ranging from public benefits to housing and disability rights, from services for seniors to issues affecting children & youth, from critical issues facing immigrants to interactive skills-based sessions—and much more!

Without the generous participation of the following Support Centers, the LAAC Traveling Trainings would not be possible. LAAC is deeply grateful for the time and expertise they share.

California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform	Legal Services for Prisoners with Children
California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, Inc.	National Health Law Program
California Women's Law Center	National Housing Law Project
Center for Human Rights & Constitutional Law	National Immigration Law Center
Child Care Law Center	National Senior Citizens Law Center
Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations	Public Interest Clearinghouse
Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund	Public Interest Law Project
Immigrant Legal Resource Center	Western Center on Law & Poverty
Impact Fund	WorkSafe
Insight Center for Community Economic Development	Youth Law Center

# AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

*This schedule is subject to change. Please see program descriptions for more details about individual sessions.  
A final schedule will be available in the on-site program materials at the conference.*

## **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

### **8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.**

- Conference Registration Opens
- Pastries & Coffee

### **9:15 a.m. - 11:15 p.m.—Training Topics**

- Immigration Law Panel
- Benefits Programs for Children and Youth in Out-of-Home Care
- Hone Your Skills for Representing Clients in Administrative Hearings (Worksafe) and CCWRO's Tips on How to Win Welfare Hearings

### **11:15 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.—Break**

### **11:25 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.—Training Topics**

- Ethics Issues for Community Lawyers
- Fighting Conservatorships: Problems and Remedies for Attorneys
- Understanding the In-Home Supportive Services Program and Other Home and Community Based Services

### **12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.—Lunch on Your Own**

### **1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.—Training Topics**

- Housing Intersections I (Must attend both Parts I and II)
- Drafting Effective and Admissible Declarations
- Overview of Issues Affecting Children and Youth

### **3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.—Lollipop Break**

### **3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.—Training Topics**

- Housing Intersections II (Must attend both Parts I and II)
- Medi-Cal 101
- Effective Written Advocacy for Public Interest Lawyers

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### 9:15 a.m.—11:15 a.m.

#### **Immigration Law Panel**

*Mark Silverman, Immigrant Legal Resource Center*  
*Peter Schey, Center for Human Rights and Constitutional Law*  
*Linton Joaquin, National Immigration Law Center*  
*Sonal Ambegaokar, National Immigration Law Center*  
*Santiago Avila-Gomez, California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation*  
*Erin Hernandez, California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation*  
(2 hours MCLE)

The Immigration training will have four segments, which will cover: VAWA, U and T Visas; Citizenship (naturalization); Immigration and Public Benefits, and LSC-funded Programs Ability to Represent Immigrants; and Family Visas and Resources on Immigration Consequences of Crimes.

#### **Benefits Programs for Children and Youth in Out-of-Home Care**

*Alice Bussiere, Youth Law Center*  
*Vanessa Lee, Western Center on Law and Poverty*  
*Angie Schwartz, Public Interest Law Project*  
(2 hours MCLE)

Children who live apart from their parents in foster care, with relatives, or in other living arrangements have the right to certain benefits and services. This session will provide an overview of AFDC-FC (Foster Care Benefits), CalWORKs, Kin-GAP, Adoption Assistance, and Supplemental Security Income, for youth in foster care.

#### **Hone Your Skills for Representing Clients in Administrative Hearings (9:15am-10:55am)**

*Dan Lucido, Worksafe*  
*Michael Smith, Worksafe*  
*Fran Schreiber, Kazan, McClain, Abrams, Lyons, Greenwood & Harley*  
(1.75 hours MCLE)

Worksafe attorneys and allies with extensive experience in a variety of court trials and administrative hearings will provide practical instruction and tips on how to effectively represent clients in administrative hearings. We will cover preparing a case for hearing, direct and cross examination of witnesses, examination techniques and objections, and presenting documentary evidence in administrative hearings.

#### **CCWRO's Tips on How to Win Welfare Hearings**

*Kevin Aslanian, Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations*

This 20-minute session will provide CCWRO's successful tips on how to win welfare hearings.

### 11:15 a.m.—11:25 a.m.

#### **\*10 Minute Break\***

### 11:25 a.m.—12:45 p.m.

#### **Ethics Issues for Community Lawyers**

*Gabrielle Lessard, Insight Center for Community Economic Development*  
*Jenny Chung, Insight Center for Community Economic Development*  
(1.25 hour MCLE)

Working in the community on community-led projects presents a number of ethical issues for lawyers. These include identifying the client, defining the scope of representation and communicating when the representation has ended. This session will explore community lawyering scenarios that commonly present ethics issues and discuss risk-management techniques.

#### **Fighting Conservatorships: Problems and Remedies for Attorneys**

*Tony Chicotel, California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform*  
(1.25 hour MCLE)

This session is designed to raise some of the more important issues of conservatorships, address them from the perspective of a conservatorship defense attorney, and cover potential solutions to the problems associated with these issues. Some of the issues to be discussed include the proper ethical role of a conservatorship defense attorney, dementia powers, long-term placement decisions, and less restrictive alternatives.

#### **Understanding the In-Home Supportive Services Program and other Home and Community Based Services: Tips and Strategies for Effective Advocacy**

*Katharine Hsiao, National Senior Citizens Law Center*  
*Anna Rich, National Senior Citizens Law Center*  
(1.25 hour MCLE)

This program will provide an advanced overview of the IHSS program, including tips and strategies for getting individuals on IHSS with increased hours, and for accessing other programs important to frail seniors and individuals with disabilities. This program assumes a working knowledge of IHSS.

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### **12:45 p.m.—1:45 p.m.** **\*Lunch on Your Own\***

(See Guide to Local Restaurants on Last Page of this Agenda)

### **1:45 p.m.—3:15 p.m.**

#### **Housing Intersections I: Eviction Defense, Federal Housing Subsidy Programs, Disability Rights and Child Care (Part I)**

*Linda Kilb, Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund*  
*Lynn Martinez, Western Center on Law and Poverty*  
*Catherine Bishop, National Housing Law Project*  
*Eve Hershcopf, Child Care Law Center*  
(1.5 hour MCLE)

An expert panel of staff from these four Support Centers will examine the intersections between key areas of housing law and disability rights and child care law. This dynamic workshop will include interactive exercises to highlight diverse issues arising in eviction defense and housing cases, including fair housing and reasonable accommodations and tenants providing child care in their homes. Participants must attend both Parts I and II.

#### **Drafting Effective and Admissible Declarations**

*Jocelyn D. Larkin, Impact Fund*  
(1.5 hour MCLE)

Most civil cases will never go to trial. Instead, cases are fought out on motions where your client's story and other evidence are presented in declaration form. So, which facts should you include in the declaration, how do you ensure that the declaration "sounds" like your client, and how do you satisfy the rules of evidence? This session will focus on drafting effective and admissible declarations for any kind of case.

#### **Issues Affecting Children and Youth: Pregnant/ Parenting Teens and Incarcerated Mothers**

*Helenann Hirsch, California Women's Law Center*  
*Karen Shain, Legal Services for Prisoners with Children*  
(1.5 hour MCLE)

CWLC will focus on the educational rights of pregnant and parenting teens, particularly those rights that are most often violated or ignored, including the right to stay in a regular, comprehensive school, participate in all extra-curricular activities, and the right to receive child care and confidential family planning services. The focus of LSPC's presentation will be the rights of incarcerated pregnant women and issues of concern at "mother-infant programs."

### **3:15 p.m.—3:30 p.m.** **\*Lollipop Break\***

Launched at the 2006 Fresno Traveling Training, the LAAC Lollipop Breaks are now a favorite standard at all LAAC trainings around the state! Stop by the registration table for a lollipop - find your favorite flavor! Don't forget to check the bottom of your lollipop stick - one lucky winner will find a black dot at the end and win a \$10 gift certificate to Amazon.com!

### **3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.**

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(1.5 hour MCLE)

See description for Part I in the 1:45 pm—3:15 pm time slot. Participants must attend both Parts I and II.

#### **Medi-Cal Basics**

*Randy Boyle, National Health Law Program*  
(1.5 hour MCLE)

This workshop will provide a basic understanding of how the Medi-Cal program works. Advocates will learn to spot Medi-Cal issues and learn where to find the resources they need to help their clients.

#### **Effective Written Advocacy for Public Interest Lawyers**

*Jocelyn D. Larkin, Impact Fund*  
(1.5 hour MCLE)

This program will give you a fresh perspective on how to improve your legal writing. Topics will include: 1) what judges want; 2) how to overcome fear and procrastination; 3) planning effectively; 4) drafting and editing; and 5) using arguments that will win. The interactive program includes fun, hands-on exercises to practice and improve your skills right now.



# REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete both this Registration Form and the Course Selector Form and return with payment to the Legal Aid Association of California **by November 5, 2008.**

## Registration Information

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 5, 2008**  
**CANCELLATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 12, 2008**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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State Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_

### **Disability Accommodations:**

To request accommodations related to a disability, please check here and also call Vivian Chen at (415) 834-0100 x 312.

### **Cancellation Policy:**

Registration cancellations must be received in writing or by email no later than **November 12, 2008**. Registration fees are nonrefundable if the cancellation is received after **November 12, 2008**. Attendees who register but do not pay nor attend will be invoiced for the full registration fee.

**Questions?** Contact Vivian Chen at (415) 834-0100 x 312 or vchen@pic.org

## Registration Fees and Payment

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FEES BELOW**

The **LAAC Discount** is for staff at a LAAC member program or individual members of LAAC only. Staff at programs sponsoring this training are eligible for the LAAC member discount.

### **Not sure if you qualify for the LAAC Discount?**

To view the 2008 list of LAAC Member Organizations and Individual LAAC Members, go to [www.CALegalAdvocates.org](http://www.CALegalAdvocates.org).

### Registration Fees (received by 11/5/08):

- \$90: Private Bar
- \$60: Non-Profit, Court and Government
- \$45: LAAC Discount

### Late Registration Fees: (received after 11/5/08 and only if space is available)

- Add an additional \$20 late fee to the registration fee checked above.

**Total Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Payable to the Legal Aid Association of California)

### **Send Completed Forms and Payment to:**

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# **COURSE SELECTOR FORM**

To register, please complete both this Course Selector Form and the Registration Form and return with payment to the Legal Aid Association of California **by November 5, 2008.**

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## **COURSE SELECTIONS:**

**Please help us plan by checking the boxes for the programs you wish to attend.  
(Only one program per timeslot).**

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**Lodging**

These hotels are located within a 5-10 minute walk from the conference space.

**Comfort Inn**

1590 University Ave.  
Riverside, CA 92507  
(951) 683-6000

Rates: \$87 single, \$90 double

**Courtyard by Marriott**

1510 University Ave.  
Riverside, CA 92507  
(951) 276-1200

Rates: \$149 for Single or Double

**Dynasty Suites**

3735 Iowa Ave.  
Riverside, CA 92507  
(951) 369-8200

Rates: \$87 single, \$92 double

**Local Restaurants**

**Near UC Riverside Extension**

University Village located at 1201 University Avenue offers several dining options.

**Restaurants located within  
University Village:**

- Starbuck's Coffee
- Juice It
- Quizno's
- Boompa's Italian Bistro
- Village Wok
- Toyko Tony's
- Teriyaki Bowl
- Royal Bengal