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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING on THURSDAY, October 6, 2016

The Supreme Court of Ohio

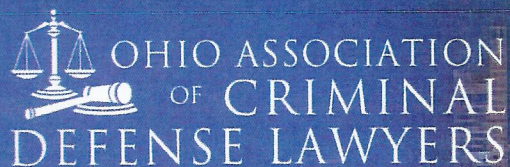
SUPERSTAR SEMINAR

TRAGEDY AND COMEDY: THE MAKING OF A BETTER LAWYER

The Ohio Statehouse

6.50 hours of CLE

FRIDAY, October 7, 2016



Tragedy and Comedy: The Making of a Better Lawyer

Welcoming OACDL Incoming President Jon Saia

Friday, Oct. 7, 2016

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Ohio Statehouse | 1 Capitol Square | Columbus, Ohio



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AGENDA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2016

- 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.** Annual Membership and Board Meeting at the Supreme Court of Ohio (remember to bring your ID – you must go through security) (Free of Charge)
- 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** Reception immediately following the board meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend to meet the new officers of OACDL. (Free of Charge)

Parking for the Supreme Court of Ohio – Verne Riffe Parking Garage Public Parking directly across the street.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2016

- 8:15 – 8:45 a.m.** **Registration and Welcome** | Jon Saia, President, OACDL

MORNING SESSION – TRAGEDY: WRONGFUL CONVICTION AND THE DEATH PENALTY

- 8:45 – 9:30 a.m.** **Wrongful Conviction: Consequences and impact; The struggle to make the system work for an innocent death row inmate** | Joe D'Ambrosio, Exoneree, and Father Neil Kookoothe, the Catholic Priest that assisted in the exoneration.
- 9:30 – 10:15 a.m.** **Getting the Death Penalty Abolished** | Nebraska Senator Colby Coash
- 10:15 – 10:30 a.m.** break
- 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.** **The How and the Why Wrongful Convictions Occur** | Chris Adams, SC
- 11:15 – 12:00 p.m.** **Speaking out Against the Death Penalty** | Justice Paul Pfeifer, Supreme Court of Ohio
- 12:00 – 1:15 p.m.** **Lunch (provided) Join us in recognizing the OACDL Lawyer of the Year!**

THE AFTERNOON SESSION – COMEDY: TRIAL SKILLS

- 1:15 – 2:00 p.m.** **Voir Dire** | Jon Paul Rion, Dayton
- 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.** **Cross Examination** | Joseph Landusky, Columbus
- 2:45 – 3:00 p.m.** break
- 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.** **What it takes to WIN** | Jeff Meadows, Cincinnati
- 3:45 – 5:00 p.m.** **Closing Argument** | Shaun Kent, Manning, SC and Patrick McLaughlin, Florence, SC

Please join us immediately after the seminar in the Statehouse Rotunda for a cocktail reception to meet the speakers, your new OACDL officers, and the Lawyer of the Year!

OACDL has a block of rooms at the Sheraton at Capitol Square (\$119.00), 75 E. State St, Columbus Reservation number is 800.325.3535.



SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Joseph Landusky

Joe has been on a winning streak especially over the last 5 years, he has obtained acquittals on four (4) Murder cases, 2 in 2010, 1 in 2015 and the most recent in May of 2016. In 2016 so far along with the murder acquittal he obtained an acquittal on an OVI case and a felonious assault case. In 2015 he obtained acquittals on two (2) separate felonious assault cases, a unlawful sexual conduct case, as well as a rape case. In 2014 he obtained acquittals on an Unlawful sexual conduct/ rape case along with a failure to comply case. This is just a brief list of cases in which he obtained acquittals. Since 2008 Joe has only lost 1 jury trial.

Jeffrey Meadows

"So I got a NOT GUILTY on a 83 in a 65 with laser today. Oh yeah, I also got NG on the A1a and A1h (244 breath on Datamaster), that speedster was cited with." Jon Saia has received several similar emails from Jeff over the last couple of years. You can learn how to obtain similar results by attending the Superstar Seminar on October 7, 2016, and seeing how it is done

Patrick J. McLaughlin

Patrick J. McLaughlin practices law in Florence, South Carolina with the Wukela Law Firm. His practice focuses on personal injury, wrongful death, civil rights violations and criminal defense. He is a past-President of the South Carolina Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and is currently the chair of SCACDL's annual Criminal Defense 101 CLE. Patrick has garnered a reputation for his willingness to not just defend against criminal accusations by the State, but to also civilly sue the State for misconduct. He has obtained a six-figure slander award from a jury against his own sitting sheriff and has had a punitive damages award reduced for exceeding the nine times actual damages ratio. He has challenged prosecutors for vindictive prosecution and the sham grand jury process rampant in SC. He has subpoenaed solicitors, clerks of court and judges to the stand as witnesses. Patrick has been described by a current SC Circuit Judge as "one of the best litigators in the State."

Shaun Kent

Shaun Kent is the founding partner of the Kent Law Firm, LLC, in Manning, SC. His practice focuses on criminal defense and personal injury litigation. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the South Carolina Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. During 2015, Shaun defended 15 General Sessions trials on behalf of his clients, earning 2 directed verdicts of not guilty and 5 straight not guilty jury verdicts, with the rest resolving through the State offering better deals during trial or Shaun obtaining significantly lesser included charges on behalf of his clients, proving why he has earned the nickname "Superman" throughout the SC legal community. In 2014, Shaun defended a client in a two-week long Federal racketeering case where his client walked on all seven counts he was facing, while the co-defendant was convicted of 29 felony counts. Afterwards, Shaun was quoted describing his client's willingness to fight the Federal government as "he stood up to the bully and punched the bully in the face." Shaun once suggested a potential client who questioned how he would be able to afford the quoted fee go play the lottery. The man did, won \$1,000,000 and hired Shaun. He is currently co-counsel defending former North Charleston Police Officer Michael Slager in the Walter Scott shooting case which has made national headlines.

Jon Paul Rion

Jon Paul has obtained an astonishing number of Not Guilty verdicts in murder cases over the years. Jon Paul Rion is a Past President of the Ohio Association of Criminal Lawyers, a Fellow in the American Board of Criminal Lawyers, a life member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Board Certified in the field of criminal defense and listed in the Best Lawyers in America. He has received the Martin Luther King Jr. award for his national service to the African-American Communities.

Rev. Neil Kookoothe

Joe D'Ambrosio

Joe D'Ambrosio spent 20 years on Ohio's death row for a crime he did not commit. Father Neil Kokoothe, a catholic priest and a lawyer, took an interest in Joe's case and was instrumental in securing attorneys who would uncover the misdeeds of the prosecutor's office and uncover the exculpatory evidence the prosecutor's office knew about. Joe was freed in 2009. They will speak on the incredible story of Joe's prosecution, his twenty years on death row, and the remarkable legal struggle to free him.

Justice Paul Pfeifer

As a state senator in the early 1980s, Justice Pfeifer co-wrote the legislation that brought the death penalty back to Ohio. He stated "In order for our statute to pass a constitutional review by the United States Supreme Court, we had to deal with the issue of cruel and unusual punishment, and make certain that our legislation met the standards of that provision. As a member of the Supreme Court of Ohio for the last six years, I have upheld dozens of convictions in which the death penalty has been imposed. Whenever this issue has been raised, the United States Supreme Court has been consistent in not employing the Eight Amendment to block impositions of the death penalty. The question appears to be so well settled that is rarely raised in cases that come before us. Whether or not a state should have a death penalty statute is a constant source of passionate moral, religious, and political discussion. Those are all categories of topics that we do not entertain when considering the existing statute as it is being applied to citizens who have committed murder in the state of Ohio." (aproundtable.com)

Justice Pfeifer has served in both houses of the Ohio General Assembly and is currently an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio.

Chris Adams

Chris Adams is a criminal defense lawyer in Charleston, South Carolina. He has defended 40 capitally charged men and women in the trial courts without a single client being sentenced to death.

Before entering private practice, he spent fifteen years as a public defender and non-profit lawyer. He was as the founding Director of the Georgia Capital Defender Office. During his tenure, the office resolved 40 cases without a single client being sentenced to death.

Chris teaches at the National Criminal Defense College (NCDC), is the Secretary for the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL), and has taught as an adjunct law professor at Georgia State, Emory, and the Charleston School of Law.

Senator Colby Coash

Quietly, patiently, during the last three months, Colby Coash of Lincoln gathered votes to repeal the death penalty from fellow conservatives, Republicans and faith-based state senators. "I decided to do this on my own," Coash said before the Legislature confronted the climactic moment in this year's dramatic death penalty debate. "I've always voted to support repeal, but this year was something different," Coash said. "I thought this was an opportunity with a lot of new faces. This class of freshmen senators is composed of thoughtful, pragmatic people who are open-minded and comfortable reaching their own judgment. Timing is everything around here, and I wanted to help get this done before I got out of here." So Coash, who will leave the Legislature at the conclusion of his second term following one more legislative session, set out on his mission. MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

DIRECTIONS TO THE STATEHOUSE



From the North

Take I-71 south to the Broad Street exit. Exit and turn right (west) onto Broad Street.
Turn left (one way south) on Third Street.
Capitol Square is on the southwest corner of Broad and Third Streets.

From the South

Take I-71 north (merges with I-70 east).
Exit at Fourth Street.
Turn left (north, one-way) onto Fourth Street and stay in the left lane.
Turn left (west) onto State Street.
Capitol Square is on the right side of the street after you cross Third Street.

From the East

Take I-70 west.
Exit at Fourth Street.
Turn right (north, one-way) onto Fourth Street and stay in the left lane.
Turn left (west) onto State Street.
Capitol Square is on the right side of the street after you cross Third Street.

From the West

Take I-70 east.
Exit at Fourth Street.
Turn left (north, one-way) onto Fourth Street and stay in the left lane.
Turn left (west) onto State Street.
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OACDL will pay parking at the underground garage. Pick up a voucher at the registration desk.

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

The OACDL has a block of rooms at the Sheraton Hotel (\$119.00/night). Sheraton Hotel at Capitol Square, 75 E. State Street, Columbus, OH 43215. Reservation number 800.325.3535

UPCOMING SEMINARS

November 16-18, 2016

Death Penalty Seminar

Sheraton at Capitol Square, Columbus

December 9, 2016

Hot Topics Seminar
including professional conduct hours

OCLC Conference Center, Dublin

January 16, 2017

Current Issues in Criminal Law

U.C. Law School, Cincinnati

March 9-11, 2017

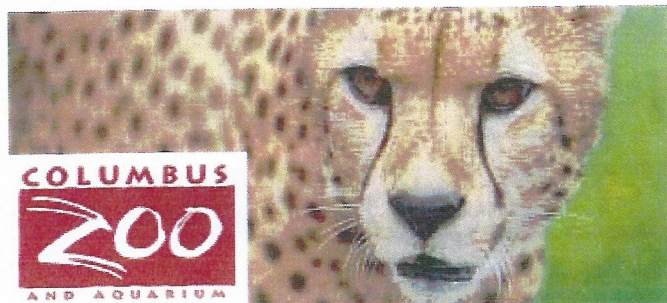
Annual DUI Seminar

Westin Hotel, Columbus

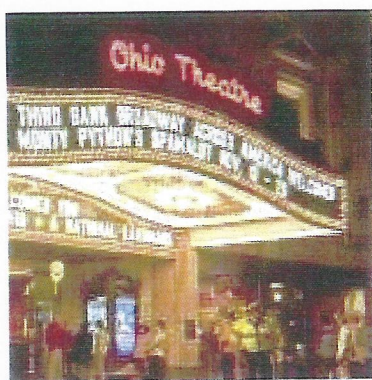
CLE Credit Hours: Pursuant to Rule X of the Government of the Bar, the sponsor has requested 6.50 hours from the Ohio Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Education. Participants must apply through the CLE Seminar Sponsor for credit. All attorney registrants must indicate their Ohio Registration Number (as issued by the Ohio Supreme Court) on the registration form. All attendees must return complete CLE forms to OACDL at the seminar.

MAKE IT A GREAT WEEKEND IN COLUMBUS! THINGS TO DO:

Have a blast at Columbus' attractions. Shop at the North Market's more than 30 merchants and the Short North Arts District's galleries and boutiques. Tour the beautifully restored Ohio Statehouse and explore the shops in historic German Village. See two of the nation's top-rated attractions at COSI and Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, then hit Easton Town Center, the Midwest's premier shopping destination.



Columbus boasts more than 30 microbreweries, and a nice assortment of them can be found near the downtown corridor. Wolf's Ridge, Seventh Son, Hoof Hearted, North High, the Elevator, Barley's and Land-Grant all have great tap rooms full of unique brews. The Columbus Ale Trail is another way to explore the bounty of beer in Columbus. Watershed Distillery is known for its citrusy gin, and Middle West Spirits wins fans with its flavorful wheat vodka and whiskeys. You'll find local beer and spirits on the cocktail menus and tap lists across the city. For a special treat, try craft cocktails at Curio in German Village, M downtown, or Denmark and Mouton in the Short North.



There's something special about getting dressed up and going out to see a show. In Columbus' Theater District, there are four large theaters and three smaller spaces bringing you everything from ballet and opera to avant garde plays. The Wexner Center for the Arts puts on frequent artist talks, dance and music

performances and cinema screenings. During the summer months, the Columbus Symphony brings outdoor concerts to downtown's Columbus Commons for its popular Picnic with the Pops series. The Brewery District's Shadowbox Live! is America's largest resident theater company, and performances range from the comedic to the artsy.

Every memorable night out requires the proper fuel, and Columbus' top-notch dining scene has exactly what you need. Indulge in a pre-show dinner at downtown's Manifesto Tuscan Grato and Scotch Bar, or some locally sourced small plates from Latitude 41 or new American

cuisine at the chic Salt & Pine. A special night out can start in the Short North with a dinner on the tucked-away patio at Basi Italia, or in German Village with Low Country cuisine at G Michael's. If you're looking for something more casual, try Harvest Pizzeria in Clintonville, Forno in the Short North or Arepazo Tapas and Wine in the Brewery District.



The Columbus Museum of Art - located in the Discovery District, just four blocks east of the State Capitol. Public transportation is available via COTA; the #10 line bus stops in front of the Museum. There is also a CoGo Bike Share station in front of the Museum on Broad Street. 480 E Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215.

Festivals in town this weekend:

All-American Quarter Horse Congress, Oct. 6-30, Ohio Expo Center

The largest single-breed horse show in America takes place in Columbus each year, stretching for three weeks and welcoming more than 725,000 guests. Find the best riding gear, and watch fun competitions like barrel racing.

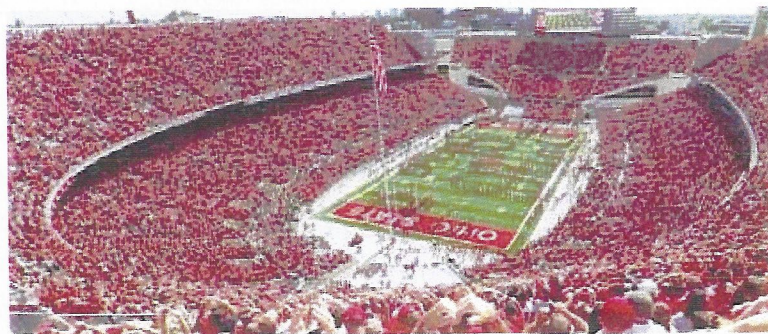
Italian Festival, Oct. 7-9, St. John the Baptist Church

Columbus' Italian Village is undergoing its own renaissance right now, booming with new condos, hip bars, fun live music venues and cozy cafes. See the roots of this neighborhood at the Italian Festival and join in the music, food and parades.

German Village - Herzlich Willkommen! A hearty welcome to German Village, Columbus' premier downtown neighborhood and one of the preeminent historic districts in the United States. German Village is a 233-acre historic residential district. The Visitor Center offers a brief introductory video about the settlement of the area, maps of the neighborhood and a gift shop.

Also - Tours of the Statehouse are available by calling 614.728.3726. Tours of the Supreme Court can be arranged by calling 614.387.9245.

Don't forget - the Buckeyes have a HOME game against the Indiana Hoosiers on October 8!!





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PAYMENT

**Superstar
Seminar Cost:
Friday, Oct. 7**

☐ \$200 OACDL MEMBER

☐ \$215 WALK IN RATE

☐ \$250 OACDL NON-MEMBER

☐ \$265 WALK IN RATE NON-MEMBER

Best Value Deal for Non-members ☐ \$275.00 includes seminar AND membership through 2017!

**Annual Meeting
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☐ I WILL BE ATTENDING (FREE OF CHARGE)

Please indicate if you are attending the
Annual Membership Meeting on
Thursday, October 6 at 4:00 p.m.

Register online at www.oacdl.org and click on Seminars (to pay with credit card); or complete this registration form and mail to OACDL with either check made payable to OACDL or credit card information below. Phone registrations are not accepted.

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(Cancellation must be received by the OACDL by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday October 4, 2016 to receive a refund.)

SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

If special arrangements are required for individuals to participate in this seminar, please contact the OACDL at least 1 week prior to the course date at 800.443.2626.

PUBLIC DEFENDER/PRO BONO FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE OF THE OHIO PUBLIC DEFENDER

If you have represented at least one client on a Pro Bono basis during the past year, you are entitled to attend this seminar FREE of CHARGE. You may not have used that case to attend any other seminar on a PRO BONO basis. However, any attorney, private or public defender, is limited to 2 seminars per fiscal year (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) on this basis.

PRO BONO REPRESENTATION WAS PROVIDED IN THE FOLLOWING:

This is to certify that the attorney named at right provided representation for an indigent person charged with a criminal offense in my court. Further, the attorney did not submit a bill for payment for any services involved in that representation and represented the defendant on an appointed basis at no cost to the state.

All Pro Bono and Public Defenders MUST Be Pre-registered by October 1. All applications are on a first come first serve basis

State/City _____ vs. _____

Case # _____ County _____

Date Representation Provided _____

Offense Charged _____

Judge's Name _____

Judge's Signature (required) _____

OR Public Defender Information (do not complete if pro bono portion is filled out)

Name of Director or County Public Defender _____

County in which you serve as a public defender _____

County Public Defender's Signature (required) _____

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There is limited scholarship money for Pro Bono and Public Defenders. Space is limited to the first 40 people to apply. You will receive notification via email if your registration is one of the first 40.