

Pioneering on the Plains: Forging New Directions in Family Formation

Sunday, April 29, 2018

Time	Title	Speakers/Moderators	CLE (Ethics)
1:15 – 1:30	Opening Remarks	President Deb Guston & Conference Co-Chairs: Martin Bauer & Kitty Keefe	
1:30 – 3:00 (Dual) PDFs#01	Taking the Long View: Helping Clients Avoid Microaggressions	Michelle Hughes & Camilla Hudson	1.5
3:00 – 4:00 (Adoption) PDFs#02	ICWA – Tips for Avoiding Litigation and Suggestions for Reaching Settlements with Tribes	Gary Debele & Jay McCarthy	1.0
3:00 – 4:00 (ART) PDFs#03	Advances in Embryo Transfer Protocols: PGS/Genetic Testing, Pre & Post Implantation Standard of Care	Dr. Amber Cooper, VIOS Fertility Institute	1.0
4:00 – 4:15	Break		
4:15 – 5:15 (Adoption) PDFs#04	Immigration – Immigration Issues in Adoption of Foreign Born Children	Kelly Dempsey, Dan Berger, & Karen Law	1.0
4:15 – 5:15 (ART) PDFs#05	Keeping Sanity and Humanity in the ART Practice; Navigating Difficult Issues as They Arise In Surrogacy	Dr. Erica Mindes & James Fletcher Thompson Moderator: Marcy Miller	1.0
6:00 – 8:00	Welcome Reception on The Terrace (Sheraton KC Hotel at Crown Center)	Bring your white tickets.	

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Time	Title		CLE (Ethics)
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast/New Member Breakfast		
9:00 – 10:00 (Adoption) PDFs#06	The Business of Adoption Practice – Website; Use of Social Media/Negative Social Media; Technology Solutions; On-Line Payments; Time/Case Management Systems	Michael Chasin & Joanna Ivey	1.0
9:00 – 10:00 (ART) PDFs#07	Evolution of Gamete Donation: Changing Societal Perceptions; Myths of Anonymity, and Intersection with Existing Statutes	Professor Judith Daar & Dr. Angela Lawson Moderator: Theresa Roetter	1.0 (Ethics)
10:00 – 11:00 (Adoption) PDFs#08	Ethics and Dealing With The Alleged Birth Father and Birth Mother	Professor and Acting Dean Barbara Glessner-Fines	1.0 (Ethics)
10:00 – 11:00 (ART) PDFs#09	International Dilemmas of Parentage – Coming Home to the US with Baby: Progress in Perceptions of ART Worldwide, Recognition & Parental Assumptions, Goals & Hopes	Emily Dudak Leiter & Nidhi Desai	1.0
11:00 – 11:15	Break		
11:15 – 12:15 (Adoption) PDFs#10	Nature v. Nurture – Effects of Birthparents Competency on Child and Placement	Dr. Emily Killough & Dr. Julia Thompson	1.0
11:15 – 12:15 (ART) PDFs#11	International Dilemmas of Parentage – How to Get Your International Clients Home with Baby: Considerations and timing every professional must address with clients, including insurance, immigration, relationship building, language barriers, and more.	Lori Meyers, Colin Rogerson, & Marc Gilland Moderator: Meryl Rosenberg	1.0
12:15 – 1:15	Business Meeting (Please remember that all Academy members – Adopt only, ART only and Dual Members, but not Provisional Members, are invited to attend and vote at the Business Meeting.)	President & Officers	
1:15 – 3:00	Lunch		
3:00 – 6:00	Negro Leagues Baseball Museum/Book Club/Special Guest–Frank White, Jr.!		
	Dine Arouds Then Open Mic Night w/American Adoptions at the Parkway Social Kitchen starting after 8:30. Free drinks til 10:00 p.m. then a cash bar.		

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Tuesday, May 1, 2018

Time	Title		CLE (Ethics)
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast/Committee Meetings		
9:00 – 10:45 (Dual) PDFs#12	Full Faith and Credit in Action; How the US Supreme Court Shut Down Discrimination: <i>V.L. v. E.L.</i> , 136 S.Ct. 1017, 577 U.S. ___ (2016) and beyond. Attorney Heather Fann (trial counsel) & Attorney Adam Unikowsky (US Supreme Court counsel) share their experiences, impact of the decision, and Supreme Court decision making. A National Perspective on Vital Records	Adam Unikowsky & Heather Fann Dr. Lou Saadi	1.75
10:45 – 11:45 (Adoption) PDFs#13	Prenatal Abandonment: 'Horton Hatches the Egg' In the Supreme Court and Thirty-Four States	Professor Mary Beck & Joanna Beck Wilkinson	1.0
10:45 – 11:45 (ART) PDFs#14	Surrogacy and Pregnancy Termination: What the Ordinary Can Teach Us About the Extraordinary	Professor Katherine L. Watson	1.0 (ethics)
11:45 – 12:00	Break		
12:00 – 1:00 (Adoption) PDFs#15	"I Thought My Adoption Was Final!!" Post Adoption Collateral Attacks and Post-Adoption Ethical Considerations	Professor Maryann Kisthardt, Professor Suzanne Valdez, & Martin W. Bauer	1.0 (ethics)
12:00 – 1:00 (ART) PDFs#16	The Age of the Internet: Ethics & Information in ART	Jennifer Fairfax & Simi Denson	1.0 (ethics)
1:00 – 2:00	Lunch		
2:00 – 3:30	Business Meeting (Please remember that all Academy members – Adopt only, ART only and Dual Members, but not Provisional Members, are invited to attend and vote at the Business Meeting.)	President & Officers	
6:00	Evening Gala at WWI Museum	Bring your yellow tickets.	

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Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Time	Title		CLE (Ethics)
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast		
9:00 – 10:00 (Adoption) PDFs#17	Building Your Adoption Disruption Toolbox	Cindy Peck, Jim Word, Lisa Vestulfo, & Kelly Dempsey	1.0
9:00 – 10:00 (ART) PDFs#18	Fast & Furious: Court Curveballs (Case Law Trends in ART & Conflicts)	Maureen McBrien & Ellen Yarrell	1.0
10:00 - 11:00 (Adoption) PDFs#19	<u>“SHOW ME THE MONEY”</u> Helping Clients Find Money, Without You Looking! What You Did Not Know About The Adoption Tax Credit and Other Tax Tips!	Kelly Ellison & Becky Wilmoth	1.0
10:00 – 11:00 (ART) PDFs#20	Blurred Lines: Medical v. Legal Advice; Clinics Donating Embryos to Clients; Contact with Other Counsel’s Clients; and Other Legal & Ethical Quandaries	Raegen Rasnic & Kurt Hughes Moderator: Lauren Gaydos Duffer	1.0
11:00 – 11:15	Break		
11:15 – 12: 15 (Adoption with Some Dual Topics) PDFs#21	Hot Topics on the Listserv	Sherriann Hicks, Kelly Dempsey & Academy Contributors	1.0
11:15 – 12:15 (ART) PDFs#22	ART Advocacy in Everyday Practice: Keeping Essential Principles in Mind in Conversation, Drafting Contracts, and Shepherding Legislation	Margaret Swain & Denise Seidelman	1.0
12:15 – 12:30	Closing remarks	Total CLE Hours:	13.25 (4 ethics)