



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Southern District of Indiana

CLE ANNOUNCEMENT

Mediation Assistance Panel and Civil Trial Assistance Panel Training

On Thursday, April 2, 2015, the Court will host a continuing legal education seminar on pro bono opportunities in the Southern District of Indiana. The seminar will educate attorneys about the Mediation Assistance Program (“MAP”) and the Civil Trial Assistance Panel (“CTAP”), and provide information about the types of cases handled by the two programs. This seminar will be held at the Evansville Bar Association, 401 SE 6th Street, Suite 101, Evansville, IN 47713. It will begin at 12:00 p.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. 3.5 hours of CLE credit, including thirty minutes of ethics credit, are anticipated.

Attorneys who volunteer with the MAP will represent otherwise pro se litigants at court settlement conferences. MAP counsel most frequently serve in settlement conferences of employment or civil rights cases. CTAP attorneys are recruited at various stages of a case to represent an otherwise pro se litigant. Many CTAP appointments involve prisoner civil rights claims and provide an opportunity for trial experience. This seminar will provide substantive legal training and will be geared to assist court-recruited counsel in representing pro se parties.

Lawyers interested in accepting pro bono appointments are strongly encouraged to attend this special seminar. However, all attorneys with an interest in the subject matter are welcome!

This program will be led by Chief Judge Richard L. Young, Magistrate Judge Denise K. LaRue; Magistrate Judge William G. Hussmann, Jr., and Monica Foster, Chief Federal Defender, Indiana Federal Community Defenders, Inc.

E-mail eba@evvbar.org or call 812-463-3201 to register. When registering, please provide the following information: Name, Firm or Organization, email address, attorney registration number, and phone number. The seminar is free to individuals who volunteer to take a CTAP or MAP case and \$75 for others. Limited space is available for the seminar, so please register soon to reserve a seat. To sign-up for CTAP or MAP, in advance, go to: <https://ecf.insd.uscourts.gov/ejuror/probono.html>,