## **Press Release**

## **Court Historical Society Announces October 9 CLE**

INDIANAPOLIS (September 28, 2020) – The second of three virtual CLE events organized by the Court Historical Society of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana and sponsored by the Court will take place on October 9, 2020 at 3 PM. After enjoying the September panel presentation on administering justice in a pandemic, the Historical Society will its shift focus to the struggle for woman suffrage in Indiana.

Dr. Anita Morgan, Senior Lecturer in History at IUPUI and author of the book, *We Must Be Fearless: The Woman Suffrage Movement in Indiana* (Indiana Historical Society Press, 2020) will present an hour-long program on the history of woman suffrage in Indiana in commemoration of the 2020 Centennial Anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment. Dr. Morgan's presentation will explore the various ways that Hoosier women attempted to work within the law to achieve the right to vote. Her presentation will give special focus to *Gougar v. Timberlake* (1897), a suit filed by Helen Gougar against the Tippecanoe County election board for refusing to allow her to vote. Gougar, one of the first female lawyers in Tippecanoe County, appeared in court on her own behalf. The case was ultimately decided by the Indiana Supreme Court. Dr. Morgan will also discuss the 1907 campaign to enact county option suffrage laws in Indiana. The presentation will shed light on the diversity of efforts employed by women to achieve the right to vote during the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries.

One hour of CLE credit has been approved for this session. Registration is required, and space is limited. Please RSVP to insd\_cle@insd.uscourts.gov by Friday, October 2, 2020. Links to join each virtual event will be shared with those who have registered.

Members of the Historical Society of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana receive complimentary registration. For non-members wishing to attend, the registration fee is \$50 and includes access to the remaining fall CLEs and a one-year membership to the Court's Historical Society. Teachers may attend any of the programs at no cost. The fee may be paid by check or money order and should be mailed to C. Daniel Motsinger, Krieg DeVault LLP, One Indiana Square Suite 2800, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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