

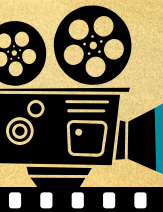


2023 CHILD SUPPORT LEGAL COLLEGE

Golden Era of Child Support

Palm Springs

October 17-19, 2023



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



he child support program continues to evolve from solely cost recovery as established at the programs beginning in 1975, to a focus on the well-being of children through partnering with parents.

California is in the midst of taking a look at its program and has chosen to make some significant changes to the child support program, such as passing child support through to families, beginning with assigned arrears to individuals once on aid, moving toward passing through all support collected to everyone regardless of aid status; all of these moves in support of the well-being of children and lifting them out of poverty.



Such significant statutory changes to how we do child support will require us to also take a look at our approach and processes to ensure our actions support the direction of the program as we work to positively impact the lives of children. This time of change in our program provides us with a golden opportunity to evaluate and elevate the services we provide.

As your CSDA President I want to welcome and challenge you to step outside of the familiar as we learn about and think on how to embrace the transformation of our program. Over the next several days, you will have many opportunities to learn, share, and laugh together. Take advantage of this time to make new connections and reconnect with some old, so that together we can ensure our impact is abundantly evident on the lives of children.

Enjoy this time together.

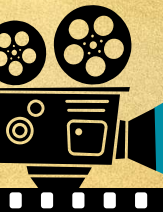
Take care,

Terrie Hardy
CSDA President



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GENERAL INFORMATION

About CSDA

The Child Support Directors Association of California (CSDA) was established as a non-profit association to represent the local child support directors of California's 58 counties. The Association strives to be of service to local child support agencies (LCSAs) in their effort to provide children and families with the financial, medical, and emotional support required to be productive and healthy citizens in our society. Our purpose is to collaborate as a unified voice, transforming the lives of children.

CSDA Mission

To educate, collaborate, and advocate in support of California's families.

Audience

The College is primarily designed for public sector attorneys working within the Title IV-D Child Support Program and representatives from the Courts.

MCLE Credits

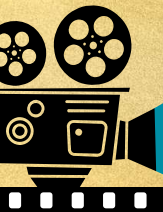
The Child Support Directors Association is a State Bar of California approved provider for minimum continuing legal education (MCLE) and certifies that the activities for this event conform to the standards for approved education activities prescribed by the rules and regulations of the State Bar of California governing MCLE. This training provides opportunities for approximately 18 hours of Continuing Legal Education Credits, including specialty credits; Recognition and Elimination of Bias and Competence Issues.

Mobile App

The app will be released closer to the event and is compatible with iPhone, Android, iPad, Laptop or Desktop.



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AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Event Registration	<i>Office 1</i>
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Greetings Welcoming Remarks - Commissioner Tanguler Gray, Office of Child Support Services	<i>Compass Rose North</i>
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Opening Plenary Your Child Support Program Is Your Story – Will It Win the Oscar for Best Direction?	<i>Compass Rose North</i>
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Break	<i>Compass Rose Foyer</i>
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Plenary II When You’re Hip to the Law, You’ll Be Sharp Like a Saw... That’s Amore! – A Triple Play of Updates on Legislation, Policy, and Case Law	<i>Compass Rose North</i>
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Luncheon <i>(provided on-site)</i>	<i>Oasis Garden</i>
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions ◦ Sovereign Citizens – The Good, The Bad and The Ugly ◦ It’s a Wonderful Profession: The New IV-D Attorney	<i>Compass Rose East</i> <i>Compass Rose West</i>
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Break	<i>Compass Rose Foyer</i>
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions ◦ Don’t Get Trapped by Parentage ◦ Managing the Jet Setting International Participant’s Child Support Cases Is the Judicial Child Support Process the By-gone Era of the Golden Age? Is the Administrative Child Support Process the New Wave of the Future?	<i>Compass Rose East</i> <i>Compass Rose West</i>
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Networking Reception	<i>Tropics Lounge & Patio</i>





AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

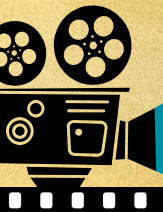
7:30 am – 8:30 am	Event Registration	<i>Office 1</i>
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Plenary III And.....ACTION! Before We Start ‘Filming,’ Let’s Hear What Our Directors Have to Say	<i>Compass Rose North</i>
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Break	<i>Compass Rose Foyer</i>
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions ◦ Live from The Copa Room at The Sands! One session only! ‘Appealing’ to Your Senses at a Higher Level ◦ Get Those Ruby Slippers!	<i>Compass Rose East</i> <i>Compass Rose West</i>
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Luncheon <i>(provided on-site)</i>	<i>Oasis Garden</i>
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions ◦ That’s Life – The Up’s & Down’s of Bankruptcy & Opportunities for Collection ◦ Cutting Pinocchio’s Strings: Help for Newer Practitioners on the Adventure to Becoming a Real Child Support Attorney	<i>Compass Rose East</i> <i>Compass Rose West</i>
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Break	<i>Compass Rose Foyer</i>
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions ◦ Create Your Own Gold Rush Using QDROs ◦ Anatomy of a Tax Return	<i>Compass Rose East</i> <i>Compass Rose West</i>

Thursday, October 19, 2023

7:30 am – 8:30 am	Event Registration	<i>Office 1</i>
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Plenary IV Open and Inclusive Casting Call – Reframing Belonging and Inclusion	<i>Compass Rose North</i>
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Break	<i>Compass Rose Foyer</i>
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Plenary IV (continued) Open and Inclusive Casting Call – Reframing Belonging and Inclusion	<i>Compass Rose North</i>
12:00 pm	Adjourn	



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PLENARY DESCRIPTIONS

Opening Plenary

Your Child Support Program Is Your Story – Will It Win the Oscar for Best Direction?

Hollywood’s Golden Age of Film (circa 1910 – 1965) produced amazing changes in the film viewing experience through advances in visual filming sound production, plot development, and directing. Early films like David Griffith’s “The Mothering Heart” were content with black and white, soundless visuals. Then, little by little changes like adding sound (“The Jazz Singer” in 1927), technicolor (“The Wizard of Oz” in 1939) and expansive, wide-ranging plots (“The Bridge on the River Kwai” from 1957) transformed film into the spectacle that we see today. The willingness to attempt and refine changes have made movies a better product. The world of IV-D is changing as well. What began as a prosecutorial model has transformed into a right-sized order based program which strives to serve all case participants. What is in store for the years ahead? Come join us as Diane Potts of CGI speaks of the ever-evolving landscape of child support from a national perspective. Hear her thoughts on strategies and visions, as well as the potential impacts to legal professionals, as the program undergoes a change in focus and direction. What will be most effective in serving our public and in helping our services reach families in need? How can you adapt those to your particular local support agency? In other words: What’s going to give you the sounds, visuals, plot and production you’ll need for an effective support program? You’ll hear the answers and pointers for best direction from our national expert, Diane Potts.

Plenary II

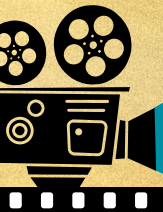
When You’re Hip to the Law, You’ll Be Sharp Like a Saw...That’s Amore! – A Triple Play of Updates on Legislation, Policy, and Case Law

Judy Garland, Dean Martin, Ed Sullivan, and Johnny Cash all had variety shows decades ago. With singing, dancing, sketch comedy, and surprise guests, there was something for everybody! This session is the modern day DCSS equivalent of IV-D variety. Join us as our star presenters (“all the way from lovely Rancho Cordova!”) cover critical legislative and policy changes which will shape the future of the program. You’ll hear about recent changes to law and policy concerning the following areas: order establishment under SB 343 (2023), formerly assisted pass-through, foster care referrals, uncollectible debt, and incarcerated obligors. Finally, we’ll wrap up our segment with an energetic summary of some of the latest appellate decisions which have been delivered over the past 18 months. This whole show will be presented live, in color, and without commercial interruption, but with MCLE credit!



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Plenary III

And.....ACTION! Before We Start 'Filming,' Let's Hear What Our Directors Have to Say

One of the key narrative conventions which defined “classical Hollywood storytelling” was a character’s efforts to solve a problem or achieve a goal. A good script with this story was often coupled with a strong director, such as Frank Capra or Orson Welles. Armed with the story, the directors set out a vision for what the film would portray and how it would be done, a concept which came to be known as a “Director’s Vision.” Being a “visionary” is of course not limited to filmmaking. Please join our own Director David Kilgore and Chief Deputy Director Kristen Erickson-Donadee as they discuss the future goals for the IV-D program and their script and vision for the road ahead. Learn about their collective thoughts for the future of the child support program, including current initiatives and innovative, pioneering ideas for critical plot points such as expanded services to support our IV-D families. Hollywood studio heads would famously ask “Where is this picture going?” The same has been asked of David and Kristen, and this session will give you their production ideas for “the big silver screen” in child support.

Plenary IV

Open and Inclusive Casting Call - Reframing Belonging and Inclusion

LaVada English, CEO of Bright Places, Inc., will enlighten us on transformative approaches to foster a sense of belonging and promote inclusivity. She will guide us in reframing our perceptions of differences, equipping us with practical techniques for navigating interactions with clients and colleagues in our daily lives.

Key Takeaways:

1. Developing a Solid Foundation in

Intercultural Capacity: Gain a fundamental understanding of how to effectively engage with diverse cultures and perspectives.

2. Strengthening Empathy and Perspective-

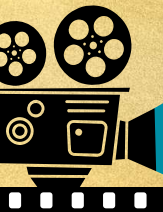
Taking: Enhance your ability to see and connect with differing viewpoints, fostering more meaningful relationships.

3. Cultivating Curiosity about Cultural

Nuances: Ignite a genuine interest in exploring your own cultural intricacies, enabling personal growth.

LaVada will transcend the limitations of previous diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) trainings, dispelling stigmas and guiding us towards unity and ongoing progress.





WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Workshop Sessions

Sovereign Citizens – The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

Picture it – You’ve located PPS and have served them with a Summons and Complaint now they are claiming not to recognize the court’s authority and claim to be a representative of the person formerly known as PPS. Huh? What does this mean? Welcome to the wild world of Sovereign Citizens: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly. Like Clint Eastwood’s “Man with No Name” character in the Sergio Leone trilogy of movies, Sovereign Citizens seek to exist beyond the reach of the law of the United States of America. This presentation will explore and help you identify anti-government individuals who share common beliefs and behaviors, how this appears in the child support context and finally how your agency should deal with these individuals in and out of the courtroom.

It’s a Wonderful Profession: The New IV-D Attorney

Congratulations! You have landed the role as a new child support attorney. In scene one of this course, aspiring newcomers will receive an overview of the Title IV-D program and the state plan. In scene two, our seasoned presenters will discuss the difficulty LCSAs in our state have had determining where to draw the line between attorney and client when providing services. We’ll talk about what role are you playing. In scene three, our new talent will learn how they can be more successful in their roles by learning what resources are at their disposal and where to find them.

Don’t Get Trapped by Parentage

A practical discussion about pleadings, contests, conflicts between Judgments/VDOPs and the law that supports them. Come learn about some crazy examples and work with the presenters to develop

the strategies to move forward in these sometimes complex cases. We’ll round out the discussion with perspectives from State DCSS.

Managing the Jet Setting International Participant’s Child Support Cases Is the Judicial Child Support Process the By-gone Era of the Golden Age? Is the Administrative Child Support Process the New Wave of the Future?

Are your case participants travelling from one country to the next like the Rat-Pack of yester years? In an ever more interconnected world, it is no surprise that parents end up residing in separate countries with different languages, laws, and cultures. Nonetheless, their children still need their support. This session will delve into international child support cases by providing an overview of the 2007 Hague Convention on International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance and the tools it provides to efficiently get support across member states’ boundaries.

Live from The Copa Room at The Sands! One session only! ‘Appealing’ to Your Senses at a Higher Level

You want to make a good record? No, not the kind Dean Martin used to make for Capitol. This record is much more important. We will discuss best practices for making a clear trial court record which will allow for a successful appeal. You will also get to “step into the studio” and explore case situations which will test your trivia and record making skills by exploring some sample case situations to see what decisions you would make. You want more? We’ve got an insider’s view of the “Rat-Pack” roundtable known as the State Appellate Advisory Committee. We will discuss how the Committee works, its role in the state’s IV-D process, and what you must do if you are





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planning to appeal a case or if you are responding to an appeal filed by another party. Bring a cold drink, pally...you'll be entertained and enlightened at the same time!

Get Those Ruby Slippers!

Ding Dong! The wicked witch is dead. Well, not the witch exactly. But someone has died and left an estate which could be used to satisfy a child support obligation. This class will discuss what to do in a variety of situations involving wills, trusts and intestate succession. While probate court can feel like the Land of Oz to Child Support Attorneys, we will be like Glinda the Good Witch, providing you with what you need to follow the yellow brick road, convince the judicial officer behind the bench to give you the ruby slippers and get you safely back to your own personal Kansas.

That's Life - The Up's & Down's of Bankruptcy & Opportunities for Collection

While bankruptcy might not be a topic you would think of when hearing about the "Golden Era of Child Support," it is a topic you will need to know about. Come join us to hear what all the people say when you're riding high in April and filing for bankruptcy in May. That's life in bankruptcy law. We'll show you how to navigate a bankruptcy case and how your LCSA can be involved. We will show you the ins and outs, ups and downs and opportunities to collect even during the bankruptcy case.

Cutting Pinocchio's Strings: Help for Newer Practitioners on the Adventure to Becoming a Real Child Support Attorney

Join us as we journey to become real, good child support attorneys. We'll have a whale of a time exploring how the child support calculator brings clarity and truth to the nuanced world of child

support calculations. It's no lie, this powerful tool transforms fictional numbers into realistic financial obligations, ensuring fair and accurate support for children. With captivating interactive discussions, we'll cut the strings that limit us to a stiff, wooden application of the calculator and embark on a quest to become real brave, truthful and unselfish attorneys, leveraging the calculator's magic to facilitate guideline child support orders.

Create Your Own Gold Rush Using QDROs

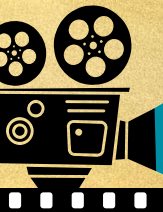
The Gold Rush—Using QDROs to increase collections. Each presenter will provide their county's unique processes and procedures to utilizing QDROs strategically to boost collections. Discussion will include how to screen for cases, tools to obtain relevant information, required draft provisions, and much more!

Anatomy of a Tax Return

Suspense! Plot twists! High drama! While these themes are the hallmarks of an award-winning film like Anatomy of a Murder, they are not typical of a child support calculation. However, child support does have one great mystery: the tax return. Join your fellow child support professionals on a deeper exploration of this enigma, as we identify and analyze many of the forms and schedules that comprise personal and business tax returns. This session will cover the utility of tax returns and some methods to obtain them. You will also be presented with tactics to review returns and identify relevant and probative income information, as well as examples of expenses that elicit a desire to closely scrutinize. At the end of this session, we hope that any reasonable doubt you may have previously had about reviewing tax returns will be replaced with the conviction that you have the tools to determine income available for support.

Please note that the courses and course descriptions are subject to change.





REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration

To register for the 2023 CSDA Legal College, please visit www.csdaca.org and click on the link below:

[CLICK HERE](#)

Registration Fee

Full Registration \$545

Deadline: September 17, 2023

Payment

Registrants may pay online by credit card (Visa/MasterCard/American Express) or by check. If paying by check, please note which registrants should receive credit for payment in the check memo.

Mail checks to:

Child Support Directors Association
Attn: Accounting/2023 Legal College
2150 River Plaza Drive, Suite 420
Sacramento, CA 95833

Refund Policy

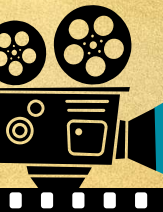
Request for refund must be received by September 17, 2023.

After this date, registered attendees unable to attend due to special circumstances must submit a detailed request to CSDA for refund consideration. Send request to Julie Estrella at JEstrella@csdaca.org.

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HOTEL & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Conference Hotel
Margaritaville Resort Palm Springs
 1600 N Indian Canyon Dr.
 Palm Springs, CA 92262
 (760) 327-8311
www.margaritavilleresorts.com/margaritaville-resort-palm-springs



Hotel Rates

Run of the House..... **\$209**
(plus applicable taxes and fees)

Premium Studios..... **\$239**
(plus applicable taxes and fees)

***Cut-off date to book 9/24/23**

Parking

Self-Parking for one (1) standard sized vehicle

Reservations

Individual reservations must be made no later than **Sunday, September 24, 2023.**

Reservations can be made by calling 866-403-1925 or by using the reservation link:

[CLICK HERE](#)

Check-In time is 4:00 pm

Checkout time is 11:00 am

***luggage storage arrangements can be made with Guest Services**

Transportation

Palm Springs International Airport (PSP)

Distance: 3.8 miles

Ontario International Airport (ONT)

Distance: 67.1 miles

Attire/Weather

The attire for this event is business casual. The temperature in Palm Springs in October averages 77° F.

Special Needs

Registrants who require special accommodations related to facility access, communication, or dietary needs are asked to please add their needs to their profile at **www.csdaca.org**. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Julie Estrella at **JEstrella@csdaca.org**.



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