

**43rd ANNUAL PROBATE PRACTICE SEMINAR**

Robins Theatre  
160 E. Market St., Warren, Ohio  
October 4, 2024  
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Dear Colleague:

We cordially invite you to attend the 43rd Annual Probate Practice Seminar to be held on October 4, 2024 at the historic Robins Theatre in downtown Warren, Ohio.

This year the cost of the seminar is \$70.00 for those who register by September 6, 2024. The cost for paralegals, secretaries and other legal professionals is \$45.00. We will be applying to the Supreme Court for 6.50 hours of CLE, including 1.75 credit hours of professional conduct. The registration fee covers the PDF course manual, light breakfast, lunch, and two refreshment breaks.

One of our featured speakers will be Ohio Supreme Court Justice R. Patrick DeWine who will present on "Ohio Lawyers Making a Difference."

Other featured speakers include Judge James T. Walther, President of the National College of Probate Judges and the Ohio Association of Probate Judges, who will present "10 Probate Lessons Learned from The Princess Bride Movie." Joseph Ferraro, Director of Family Wealth with Western Reserve Trust Company will speak about current trends in estate planning and trusts. Adria Rovnyak of Glenbeigh Center of Niles will speak on coping with stress.

In addition, we will have a panel discussion by Common Pleas Probate Court Judges Robert N. Rusu (Mahoning), Kim Kellogg-Martin (Logan), and Thomas A. Swift (Trumbull-Retired). Trumbull County Probate Court Magistrates John T. Shorts, Christopher J. Schiavone, and Emily Clark Weston will address probate court updates. In conclusion, Judge James A. Fredericka will report case law updates.

The Trumbull County Bar Association will be handling registration. A brochure containing further seminar information will be sent to you by them later.

We look forward to seeing everyone in October. Please mark your calendars.

Very truly yours,



James A. Fredericka  
Trumbull County Probate Judge