

Families and Communities Interdisciplinary Seminar
The Ohio Immigrant Family Experience
September 14, 2017

8:00 a.m. **Registration & Continental Breakfast**

8:25 a.m. **Introductory Remarks**
 Gary M. Rosen – Partner, Goldman & Rosen, Ltd.

8:30 a.m. **Welcome**
 President Matthew J. Wilson – The University of Akron

8:45 a.m. **“Immigration 101” – Understanding Current Immigration Law**
Featured Speakers:

- **Professor Elizabeth Knowles** - Assistant Clinical Professor of Law, Immigration & Human Rights Clinic, The University of Akron School of Law
- **Farhad Sethna** - Immigration Attorney, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

9:45 a.m. **Parenting in Immigrant Families**
Featured Speaker: **Professor Parminder Parmar**
 Associate Professor, Health and Human Development, Penn State University

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. **“In Their Own Words” – Personal Stories from Immigrants/Refugees**
Moderator: Richard Herman, Attorney at Law

11:30 a.m. **Breakout Sessions**
Justice for Immigrants

- Moderator: Madhu Sharma, Director of Immigration Services, International Institute of Akron
- Presenters:
 - Danny Chand, Professor of Political Science, Kent State University
 - Tania Nemer, ICE Liaison for Ohio Chapter of American Immigration Lawyers Association

Custody/Guardianship

- Moderator: Alexandra Hull, Attorney at Law
- Presenters:
 - Magistrate Paula Haas, Summit County Probate Court
 - Jaime Blair, Judicial Attorney, Summit County Juvenile Court

Social Services

- Moderator: Susan Tucker, Summit County Domestic Relations Court
- Presenters:
 - Stephanie Carothers, Summit County Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
 - Michael Byun, ASIA Inc., Chief Executive Officer
 - Kara Ulmer, World Relief Akron, Office Director

Educational Issues

- Moderator: Erich Merkle, Akron Public Schools, Pupil Adjustment Program

- Presenters:
 - Officer Kevin Evans, School Resource Officer for North High School
 - Koula Glaros-King, Community Legal Aid
 - Dr. Loi Nguyen, ELL Curriculum Program Specialist

12:30 p.m. Lunch – Boxed Lunches across Breakout Groups
Discuss Solutions, Develop List of Action Items

1:15 p.m. **National Perspectives and Local Solutions**
Featured Speaker: **Mary Meg McCarthy**, Executive Director of the National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC) and Chair of the ABA Commission on Immigration

2:15 p.m. **“In Their Own Words” – Personal Stories from Immigrants/Refugees**
Moderator: **Christopher J. Peters**, Dean, The University of Akron School of Law

2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. **The Global Cleveland Experience**
Featured Speaker: **Joe Cimperman**, President, Global Cleveland

3:45 p.m. **Summit County Panel**

- Moderators: **Mary Meg McCarthy** and **Parminder Parmar**
- Featured Speakers:
 - **Mayor Dan Horrigan**, City of Akron
 - **Executive Ilene Shapiro**, County of Summit

4:30 p.m. **Adjournment**

This course has been approved by the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education for 6.50 total CLE hours instruction; Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) credits for a total of 6.5 contact hours; and 6.50 credit hours -- CSWMFT