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# MICHIGAN PROBATE AND JUVENILE REGISTERS' ASSOCIATION

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June 25, 2024

Dear MPJRA Members,

It is that time of year again! I am thrilled to invite you to the Michigan Probate and Juvenile Registers' Association Annual Conference happening this year from October 16 to 18 at the beautiful Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire, MI.

This year, the MPJRA Planning Committee has worked hard lining up some great discussions, learning opportunities, and chances to connect with fellow probate and family court peers.

Reservations can be made by using the following link:

<https://www.shantycreek.com/reservations/michigan-probate-juvenile-registrars-association/>

I understand schedules can be crazy and budgets can be tight, but the MPJRA Board genuinely believe whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, there will be something for everyone to learn and take away at this year's conference. I also know from personal experience that the networking achieved at the annual conference is not just about making contacts but building meaningful relationships that can help everyone grow professionally.

Please take a look at the following attachments to learn more about the MPJRA Conference this year:

- 2024 MPJRA Conference Agenda
- 2024 MPJRA Conference Registration
- 2024 MPJRA Nominations Chair Letter
- 2024 MPJRA Nomination of Officers
- 2024 MPJRA Award Nominations Flyer

Conference materials will be posted on the MPJRA website prior to the conference for attendees. While you are there, remember to check out the new forum as we shift our listserv from Google Groups to our new forum that will be housed in a searchable index within [www.mpjra.org](http://www.mpjra.org).

I can't wait to see you this fall!

Best Regards,

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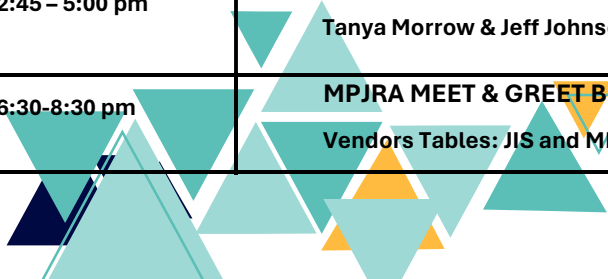
Valerie Robbins  
MPJRA President

# MPJRA 2024 CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, PLENARY SESSION

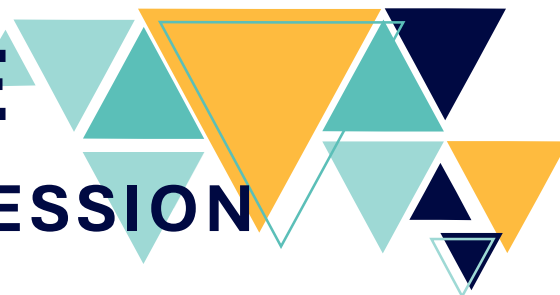


TIME	TOPIC & SPEAKER	ROOM
11:00 am	MPJRA - PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING	Lakeview Restaurant
11:00 – 12:30 pm	ADOPTION Q & A	Parlor C
1:00 pm	REGISTRATION Lindsey Pline, Clinton County; Janie Hemerline, Tuscola County; Jenipher Roslund, Eaton County	Promenade
1:30 pm	WELCOME Thomas P. Boyd, State Court Administrator	Parlor AB
1:45 pm	MPJRA BUSINESS MEETING	Parlor AB
2:00 pm	MJI – UPDATE Peter Stathakis, MJI	Parlor AB
2:15 pm	JIS - UPDATE Tammy Wenn, Sherri Swan, Carol Stocking, Tessa Kirby, JIS	Parlor AB
2:35 – 2:45 pm	BREAK	BREAK
2:45 – 5:00 pm	SCAO - UPDATE Tanya Morrow & Jeff Johnson, SCAO	Parlor AB
6:30-8:30 pm	MPJRA MEET & GREET BUFFET & FIRESIDE CHATS WITH CASH BAR TO FOLLOW Vendors Tables: JIS and MI Guardianship Diversion Program	Bellaire Ballroom

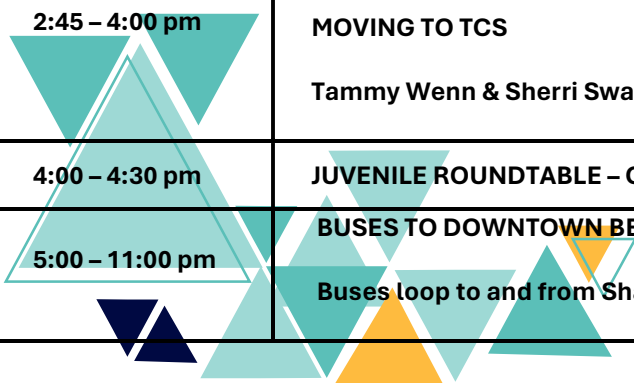


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## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 – JUVENILE SESSION



TIME	TOPIC & SPEAKER	ROOM
8:00 – 9:00 am	<b>BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION</b> Aimee Cory, Kent Co., Cindy Rude, Calhoun Co, Tracey Beauchamp, Houghton Co.	Bellaire Ballroom
9:00 – 10:15 am	<b>COLLECTIONS, ASSESSMENTS &amp; RECORD RETENTION</b> Thomas P. Boyd, SCAO	Parlor C
10:15 – 10:30 am	<b>BREAK</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
10:30 – 11:45 am	<b>CJIC REPORT &amp; OPEN CASES</b> Aleasha Wood, Michigan State Police	Parlor C
12:00 – 1:15 pm	<b>MPJRA 2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE BANQUETTE</b>	Bellaire Ballroom
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<b>JIS - OVERVIEW OF ENTRIES INCLUDING ABS &amp; CHR, REPORTS, CLEAN SLATE, COURTS MOVING TO TCS</b> Tammy Wenn & Sherri Swan, JIS	Parlor C
2:30 – 2:45 pm	<b>SNACK BREAK - DESSERT BAR</b>	Promenade
2:45 – 4:00 pm	<b>JIS - OVERVIEW OF ENTRIES INCLUDING ABS &amp; CHR, REPORTS, CLEAN SLATE, COURTS MOVING TO TCS</b> Tammy Wenn & Sherri Swann, JIS	Parlor C
4:00 – 4:30 pm	<b>JUVENILE ROUNDTABLE – Q &amp; A</b>	Parlor C
5:00 – 11:00 pm	<b>BUSES TO DOWNTOWN BELLAIRE</b> Buses loop to and from Shanty Creek to Bellaire continuously!	Round Entrance of Lakeview Hotel

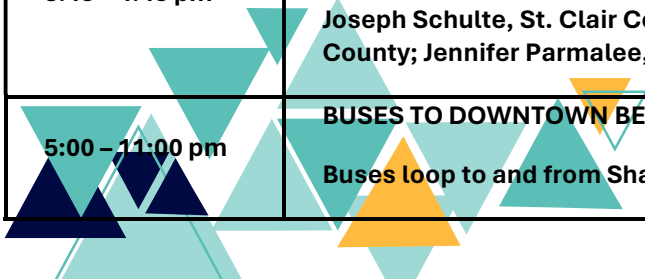


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## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 – PROBATE SESSION

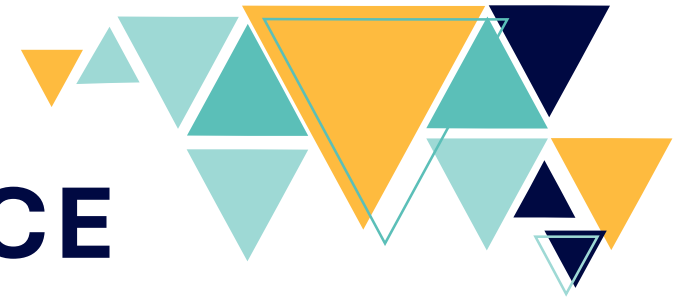


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8:00 – 9:00 am	<b>BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION</b> Aimee Cory, Kent County; Cindy Rude, Calhoun County; Tracey Beauchamp, Houghton County	Bellaire Ballroom
9:00 – 10:15 am	<b>CIVIL &amp; TRUST CASES</b> Cindy Rude, Calhoun County	Parlor AB
10:15 – 10:30 am	<b>BREAK</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
10:30 – 11:45 am	<b>MI CASES – INPATIENT &amp; OUTPATIENT ORDERS</b> Karen - Kent County & Samuel Olson - Genesee County	Parlor AB
12:00 – 1:15 pm	<b>MPJRA 2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE BANQUETTE</b>	Bellaire Ballroom
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<b>WEIRD AND WACKIER</b> Amanda Flowers - Grand Traverse & Kelley James-Jura - Cass County	Parlor AB
2:30 – 2:45 pm	<b>SNACK BREAK – DESSERT BAR</b>	Promenade
2:45 – 3:45 pm	<b>PROBATE PAPERLESS PANEL</b> Cindy Rude, Calhoun County; Janie Hemerline, Tuscola County; Mara Chalfant, Kalamazoo County; Jean Bock, Gogebic County	Parlor AB
3:45 – 4:45 pm	<b>PROBATE ROUNDTABLE &amp; PANEL DISCUSSION</b> Joseph Schulte, St. Clair County; Tracey Beauchamp, Houghton County; Kalie Gascho, Kent County; Jennifer Parmalee, Wayne County	Parlor AB
5:00 – 11:00 pm	<b>BUSES TO DOWNTOWN BELLAIRE</b> Buses loop to and from Shanty Creek to Bellaire continuously!	Round Entrance of Lakeview Hotel



# MPJRA 2024 CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, PLENARY SESSION



TIME	TOPIC & SPEAKER	ROOM
8:00 – 9:00 am	BREAKFAST	Bellaire Ballroom
9:00 – 11:45 am	DE-ESCALATION TRAINING Emily Bongard, Program Supervisor CMH for Central Michigan	Parlor AB
11:45 – 12:00 pm	CLOSING REMARKS	Parlor AB
12:00 – 1:00 pm	BOXED LUNCH	Promenade



**MICHIGAN PROBATE & JUVENILE REGISTERS ASSOCIATION**

**2024 ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE**

**SHANTY CREEK RESORT, BELLAIRE, MICHIGAN**

**OCTOBER 16, 2024 - OCTOBER 18, 2024**

Registration Information: *(Complete one registration form for each person attending)*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF YEARS AS MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE:**

MPJRA MEMBER (\$100.00)

NON-MEMBER (\$185.00)

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MPJRA AND RETURN TO:**

THERESA NELSON, MPJRA TREASURER  
CLINTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
100 EAST STATE STREET, SUITE 4300  
ST. JOHNS, MI 48879  
Phone: (989) 224-5194  
FAX: (989) 227-6565  
E-MAIL: [nelsont@clinton-county.org](mailto:nelsont@clinton-county.org)

**PAYMENT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH REGISTRATION FORM.**

The registration fee includes all sessions and materials plus Wednesday's dinner, breakfast and banquet lunch on Thursday, and breakfast and a to-go lunch on Friday.

Number of people attending banquet, including yourself: \_\_\_\_\_. The cost per guest (i.e. spouse, significant other) to attend the banquet is \$30.00. Payment must be submitted with a registration form.

Request for vegetarian meal

Request for other dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

Requests for refunds for registration/banquet fees must be made by **September 27, 2024**. Requests must be made in writing and submitted to the Treasurer.

**DEADLINE FOR CONFERENCE REGISTRATION IS: SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**

Please indicate which session(s) you plan to attend:

October 16, 2024

October 17, 2024

October 18, 2024

**HOTEL INFORMATION: DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IS SEPTEMBER 27, 2024**

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Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Check No: \_\_\_\_\_

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June 24, 2024

Dear Members:

This is a call for nominations for the following offices:

- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Elections will be held at the MPJRA Annual Business Meeting at our annual conference at Shanty Creek on October 16, 2024.

Nominations may be made by any active member. You may use the Nomination of Officers form to nominate someone for an office, or you may email me directly. Please include the name, county, and address of anyone you nominate. If you're willing to serve, we may not know that, so you may volunteer by nominating yourself. (Smile/wink)

Our association is strong because of the involvement of many members. We appreciate every question asked and answered, everyone who takes time to attend our probate roundtables, and all of the other little things that you do every day for your counties.

Our by-laws provide for nominations to be open for 30 days. Please respond to me by email, fax, or mail no later than July 30, 2024. (Hopefully sooner!)

Thank you!

*C. Rude*

Cindy K. Rude  
Past President & Nominations Chair  
Calhoun County Probate Court  
161 E Michigan Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49014  
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Email: [Crude@calhouncountymi.gov](mailto:Crude@calhouncountymi.gov)  
Fax: 269-969-6797

# MPJRA: NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

I am a current member of MPJRA and submit the following name(s) as nominee(s) for officer(s) of the Michigan Probate and Juvenile Registers Association for 2024-2025.

PRESIDENT: Joseph Schulte, St. Clair County, current Vice President

VICE PRESIDENT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name County  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name County  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_

TREASURER:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name County  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by (your name and county):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name County

## RETURN BY JULY 30, 2024 TO:

Cindy K. Rude  
Past President & Nominations Chair  
Calhoun County Probate Court  
161 E Michigan Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49014  
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# MPJRA

## 2024 AWARDS NOMINATIONS

CELEBRATING THE HEROES  
IN THE PROBATE AND  
FAMILY COURTS!



- ★ **MPJRA PROBATE REGISTER OF THE YEAR**  
A member of MPJRA whose dedication and hard work has had a significant impact on the work of the probate courts.
- ★ **MPJRA JUVENILE REGISTER OF THE YEAR**  
A member of MPJRA whose dedication and hard work has had a significant impact on the work of the family courts.
- ★ **MPJRA WEIRD AND WACKY AWARD**  
A fun award for a member who always has the craziest scenarios, stories, and questions.
- ★ **MPJRA ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**  
An award for those who have been a member of MPJRA for five years or less and who show a dedication to and impact on the work of the probate and/or family courts.
- ★ **MPJRA JUDGE OF THE YEAR**  
An award for a past or present judge who demonstrates care for court staff and who has shown a dedication to & impact on the work of the probate and/or family courts.
- ★ **MPJRA DEDICATION AWARD**  
An award for those who have been members of MPJRA for ten or more years and show a dedication to and impact on the work of the probate and/or family courts.



EMAIL YOUR NOMINATIONS TO:  
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