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:
             o Danny Chand, Professor of Political Science, Kent State University
             o Tania Nemer, ICE Liaison for Ohio Chapter of American Immigration Lawyers Association

           Custody/Guardianship
           • Moderator: Alexandra Hull, Attorney at Law
           • Presenters:
             o Magistrate Paula Haas, Summit County Probate Court
             o Jaime Blair, Judicial Attorney, Summit County Juvenile Court

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

           Educational Issues
           • Moderator: Erich Merkle, Akron Public Schools, Pupil Adjustment Program
• Presenters:
  o Officer Kevin Evans, School Resource Officer for North High School
  o Koula Glaros-King, Community Legal Aid
  o 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:
    o Mayor Dan Horrigan, City of Akron
    o 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