



# ANNUAL MGA/SOCIAL LAW LIBRARY GUARDIANSHIP CONFERENCE “EVOLVING ISSUES IN PRACTICE”

**Friday, November 2, 2018**

**8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Social Law Library: John Adams Courthouse, 4th Floor, Boston, MA

## Social **LAW**



Secretary Marylou Sudders

### **Keynote Speaker Secretary Marylou Sudders**

Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Join us for a day of engaging panels and discussions featuring legal experts, judges, guardians, medical providers, advocates, and other professionals who work daily on issues affecting guardianships in Massachusetts. This conference will cover new and evolving issues affecting guardianship practice, including unsettled areas of guardianship law and practice; the intersection of mental health and criminal matters; evidentiary issues in guardianship cases; and the epidemic of sexual assault among persons with disabilities. These panels are designed to focus in on some of the most complex aspects of guardianship, as well as broaden the perspectives of those who practice in this field.

**Hon. John D. Casey**, Chief Justice of the Probate and Family Court, will deliver the **opening address** and **Secretary Marylou Sudders** will deliver the **keynote address** at the **luncheon**. All Conference attendees, along with all MGA Members, are invited to a **reception** following the day's program — enjoy wine, hors d'oeuvres, and **networking!**

#### **AGENDA**

8:00 a.m.	Social Law Library Opens
8:10 - 8:40 a.m.	Registration, Light Breakfast and mingling
8:45 - 9:15 a.m.	Opening Address
9:20 - 10:45 a.m.	Panel # 1: Unsettled Areas of Guardianship Law
10:45 - 11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break
11:00 - 12:15 p.m.	Panel # 2: Interplay Between Mental Health and Criminal Matters
12:30 - 1:45 p.m.	Luncheon & Keynote Address
2:00 - 3:15 p.m.	Panel # 3: Evidentiary Issues in Guardianship Cases
3:20 - 4:30 p.m.	Panel # 4: Addressing Sexual Assault in the Context of Disability
4:45 - 6:00 p.m.	Conference Attendee and MGA Member Reception

**CPCS has approved CLE credit for the following: 6.5 hours for the Mental Health Panel (with 1.5 hours being for Trial Skills) and 1.5 hours for the Post-Conviction, Adult Criminal and YAD Juvenile Delinquency Panels.**

**Program fee: MGA members \$135/All others \$170 (light breakfast, lunch, and reception included!)**

**Register at: [www.sociallaw.com/MGA2018](http://www.sociallaw.com/MGA2018)**

*Online registration is encouraged. For assistance, questions on group discounts, accommodations requests, special billing, program content, out-of-state CLE credits, and general CLE information contact Michael Saporito at 617-226-1343 or [msaporito@sociallaw.com](mailto:msaporito@sociallaw.com). Space is limited. Registrations accepted in order of receipt. Same day registrations are \$5.00 extra. Registration fees are non-refundable. Registrants for this program acknowledge that during the program their photographic or videographic images may be incidentally taken; registrants agree that the submission of their registrations for this program constitutes their written consent to the Social Law Library's use of any such image in print and online materials solely for promotion of the Library's noncommercial CLE seminars and other educational events and activities.*

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