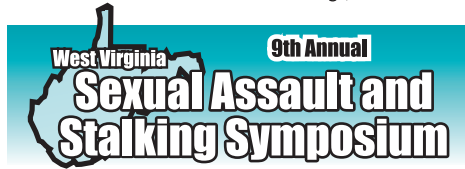


Pre-Conference Training Thursday, April 2, 2009

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(Online registration is ONLY for the Pre-Conference Training.)



Registration for the 9th Annual Sexual Assault Symposium Friday, April 3, 2009

requires completion of the registration form below and a registration fee of \$45.00.

Please print legibly. One registration per form.

Name _____

Agency _____

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Registration Fee—\$45.00 (Buffet Lunch Provided)

Registration fee is non-refundable.

Make check payable to WV FRIS.

Payment MUST accompany registration form.

NO credit cards can be accepted.

Registration Deadline—March 27, 2009

Late Registration Fee—\$60.00

Mail to: WV FRIS
112 Braddock Street
Fairmont, WV 26554

Special Needs:

☐ Mobility ☐ Audio/Visual ☐ Other

Training site is handicapped accessible.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

These trainings are essential for criminal justice professionals including police, prosecutors, judges, probation and parole officers, community system-based advocates, social workers, counselors, college, community and health professionals who work together to effectively respond to victims of sexual assault and stalking.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

These trainings meet the requirements for the following:

The WV Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, WVBRN Provider
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WV Provider Number: 490094

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Provider Number: WVBEC-518

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PARKING

Parking at Charleston Town Center Marriott—
\$9.00 a day

Parking at the Town Center Mall (Across the street
from the Marriott) —\$1.75 a day

HOTEL INFORMATION

To make a reservation for lodging at the Marriott and receive the group rate of \$101.00 for 4/2/09, call 1-800-228-9290 and ask for code SAS.

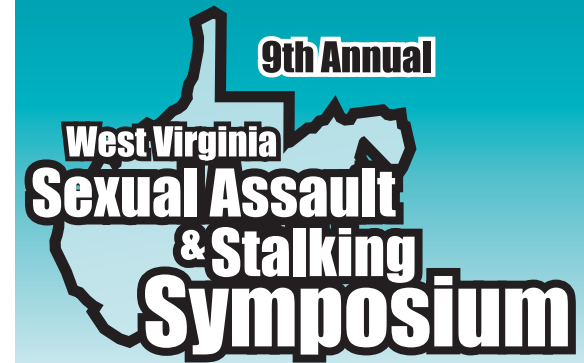
Reservations can be made online at
www.charlestonmarriott.com by entering SASSASA in the box for the group code.

The group rate will be available until 3/16/09.

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Pre-Conference Training WV Civil Justice for Victims of Crime: A Primer for Service Providers

**Thursday, April 2, 2009
8:00a.m.—4:30p.m.**

and


9th Annual WV Sexual Assault & Stalking Symposium

**Working Together To End
Sexual Violence and Stalking**

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**Charleston Marriott Town Center
Charleston, WV**

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PRE-CONFERENCE TRAINING

WV Civil Justice for Victims of Crime

Sponsored by

The National Center for Victims of Crime

Thursday-April 2, 2009

Featured Speaker

Mr. Jeffrey Dion, Esq. serves as Director for the National Crime Victim Bar Association, an affiliate of the National Center for Victims of Crime. In that capacity, he lectures throughout the country to foster greater communication and understanding among crime victims and trial attorneys. He trains victim advocates in the application of civil litigation and instructs fellow attorneys in crime victim issues and services. Mr. Dion is a homicide victim survivor and an award-winning crime victim advocate. He earned both his undergraduate and law degrees at George Mason University in Virginia.

8:15a.m.–8:30a.m. **REGISTRATION**

8:30a.m.–11:45a.m. **WV Civil Justice for Victims of Crime: A Primer for Service Providers**
Mr. Jeffrey Dion, J.D., Director
National Crime Victim Bar Association

This one-day seminar will explain what victims gain through civil actions; what civil options are available in WV; where victims can find attorneys; and what the appropriate role of a victim service provider is when working with a victim.

11:45a.m.–1:15p.m. **LUNCH** (*On Your Own*)

1:15p.m.–4:30p.m. **WV Civil Justice for Victims of Crime: A Primer for Service Providers**
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9th Annual WV Sexual Assault and Stalking Symposium

Keynote Speaker

Jessica Mindlin, J.D. is the National Director of Training and Technical Assistance for the Victim Rights Law Center (VRLC), a non-profit organization dedicated to transforming the nation's legal response to sexual assault. Before joining the VRLC, she was the Senior Staff Attorney for the National Crime Victim Law Institute and the Center for Law & Public Policy on Sexual Violence, and a clinical instructor at Lewis and Clark Law School. Ms. Mindlin graduated with honors from the University of Washington School of Law. She is the author of *Child Sexual Abuse and Criminal Statutes of Limitation: A Model For Reform*, 65 Wash. L.Rev. (1990) and the co-author of *Rights and Remedies: Meeting the Civil Legal Needs of Sexual Violence Survivors and Confidentiality and Sexual Violence Survivors: A Toolkit for State Coalitions*. Ms. Mindlin is the Co-Editor in Chief of the VRLC's national legal manual, *Beyond The Criminal Justice System: Using the Law to Help Restore the Lives of Sexual Assault Victims A Practical Guide for Attorneys and Advocates* (2008).

Featured Speakers

Judy Benitez, M. Ed. has been Executive Director of the Louisiana Foundation Against Sexual Assault (LaFASA) since 1993. She previously served as a victim advocate and program director at a prosecutor-based victim assistance and rape crisis program in Louisiana's 21st judicial district. Ms. Benitez, a former news reporter, holds a Master's Degree in counseling from Southeastern Louisiana University and a Bachelor's Degree in journalism from Syracuse University.

Detective Tim Haney is a 32 year veteran of law enforcement and has been assigned as lead computer forensic examiner and computer crime investigator with the Allegheny County Police Department in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He is currently assigned to the F.B.I. Pittsburgh High Tech Crimes Task Force, a cooperative effort involving federal, state and local law enforcement and is dedicated full time to the Pittsburgh Satellite of the Delaware County Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Detective Sergeant Terry L. Lingenfelter (Ret.) served as a Crime Supervisor for the Logan Township Police Department, Blair County, Pennsylvania from 1992 until his retirement on August 15, 2002. He currently is a partner and President of Cambridge Investigative Services Inc., a private investigative firm, which specializes in assisting crime victims. Mr. Lingenfelter holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement and Corrections from Pennsylvania State University.

Jodi B. Raffkin, JD, joined the National Center for Victims of Crime in June, 2008 and works as the Program Attorney for the Stalking Resource Center. Prior to joining the Stalking Resource Center Ms. Raffkin was a Deputy District Attorney in Los Angeles County, an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Eastern District of California, and a consultant for the American Bar Association, where she worked in developing countries to promote criminal justice reform and the rule of law.

8:00a.m.–8:30a.m. **REGISTRATION**

8:30a.m.–10:00a.m. **KEYNOTE**

Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence:

What Are The Differences and Why Does It Matter?

Jessica Mindlin J.D., Victims Rights Law Center

We often refer to "violence against women" as a shorthand reference for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence. While there are commonalities among these victims, treating their experiences similarly obscures many significant differences. This keynote will examine how victims of non-intimate partner sexual assault differ from victims of domestic violence, and why these differences must be identified and understood in order to provide effective victim services.

10:00a.m.–10:15a.m. **BREAK**

10:15a.m.–11:30a.m. **Sessions A1–A4—(Select One Session)**

Session A1—Intoxication, Credibility and Consent

Jessica Mindlin, J.D., Victims Rights Law Center

Three of the most difficult issues in a civil or criminal sexual assault case involve (1) victim (and sometimes perpetrator) intoxication; (2) victim credibility; and (3) victim consent. This session will provide an overview of cultural myths regarding rape and sexual assault and how they impact the course of a criminal or civil prosecution. Tips for how to address these issues with victims, and suggestions for how advocates, lawyers, and other victim service providers can help to prepare victims who will be witnesses or plaintiffs in a criminal or civil cases will be discussed.

SESSION A2—Juvenile Prostitution and Child Exploitation

Judy Benitez, M.Ed. Executive Director, LaFASA

This session examines child exploitation and how it can lead into commercial sexual exploitation, sometimes called juvenile prostitution. Suggestions for working with victims and policy changes will be included.

SESSION A3—CSI: Computer & Cell Phone Forensics

Detective Tim Haney, Allegheny County Police Department

This session highlights the methodology and techniques utilized in the examination of various electronic devices and the forensic extraction of digital evidence. Topics will include common concepts and tools used by the examiner and typical evidence seizure "Bag & Tag" issues.

SESSION A4—Analyzing WV Stalking Laws

Jodi B. Raffkin, Program Attorney, Stalking Resource Center
Terry Lingenfelter, Detective Sergeant (Retired), Cambridge Investigative Services Inc.

This interactive session examines the elements of West Virginia's stalking laws, which changed significantly in 2008. Focus will be on what is required to bring stalking charges under the statute by utilizing scenarios to examine and discuss charging options.

11:30a.m.–1:00p.m. **WORKING LUNCH** (*Lunch Provided*)

Representations of Violence Against Women in Popular Culture

Judy Benitez, M.Ed. Executive Director, LaFASA

This session will examine how violence against women is represented in pop culture and can be used to educate people to think critically about the popular media and about gender-based violence in particular.

AGENDA

Friday, April 3, 2009—8:00a.m.–4:30p.m.

1:00p.m.–2:30p.m. **SESSIONS B1–B4 (Select One Session)**

SESSION B1—Pursing Justice for Rape Victims: Using Civil Legal Remedies To Help Meet Sexual Assault Victims' Most Urgent

Jessica Mindlin, J.D., Victim Rights Law Center
Sexual Assault survivors' legal needs are not limited to those that arise in the context of criminal prosecution or civil tort claims for personal injury. Instead, survivors' critical legal needs typically include advocacy and representation in areas such as housing, education, employment, privacy, immigration and administrative benefits. Failure to address these issues can compromise a victims' ability to proceed with a criminal or civil prosecution, as well as profoundly undermine victims' healing and recovery. This session will provide an overview of the broad range of survivors' needs and how advocates, civil lawyers, prosecutors, law enforcement, educators, and other victim service providers can identify and utilize civil legal remedies to respond to victims' needs.

SESSION B2—Naming Names: Ethical Issues In News Coverage of Sexual Assault Cases

Judy Benitez, M.Ed., LaFASA

The ethics of identifying sexual assault victims in the media has always been a hotly debated topic for journalists. This session will examine the thinking of reporters around the issue, some of the factors that may come into play, and ways that identifying victims or not identifying them can affect both individual cases and sexual assault as a social issue.

SESSION B3—Victimization Through Technology

Detective Tim Haney, Allegheny County Police Department

This session looks at a variety of critical offenses committed against both children and adults through the utilization of technology and/or the Internet. The various types of electronic environments and dangerous online behaviors will also be discussed.

SESSION B4—Investigating and Prosecuting Stalking Cases

Jodi B. Raffkin, Program Attorney, Stalking Resource Center
Terry Lingenfelter, Detective Sergeant (Retired), Cambridge Investigative Services Inc.

This session will focus on the role of the first responder as well as the follow-up investigator by examining ways to show stalking behaviors in the proper context with an emphasis upon gathering corroborating evidence for prosecutable cases. The workshop will also address the challenges of prosecuting a stalking case, including concrete suggestions and strategies for trying the case.

2:30p.m.–2:45p.m. **BREAK**

2:45p.m.–4:15p.m. **SESSION B1, B2, and B3—REPEATED**
SESSION C4 (New)

SESSION C4—Threat Assessment and Safety Planning

Jodi B. Raffkin, Program Attorney, Stalking Resource Center
Terry Lingenfelter, Detective Sergeant (Retired), Cambridge Investigative Services Inc.

This session will look at evaluating the threat posed by a stalker and what can be done to try to keep a stalking victim safe. The focus will be on the range of threats posed by stalkers—from low level criminally harassing behavior to high risk, fatal events. Participants will learn how to identify, categorize and respond to various risk behaviors, how to examine the impact of stalking on victims, explore victim-directed safety planning, and share tools that can be used when safety planning with stalking victims.

4:15p.m.–4:30p.m. **Wrap-up/Questions/Evaluations**