



**IMMIGRATION COURT TRIAL ADVOCACY
COLLEGE
CANCELLATION OF REMOVAL
KANSAS CITY ♦ MAY 4-6, 2023**



DAY 1 – Thursday, May 4

**Johnson County Community College – Regnier Center Building
12345 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66210**

Registration: 9:15am -9:40am CST on 2nd floor, room RC 270

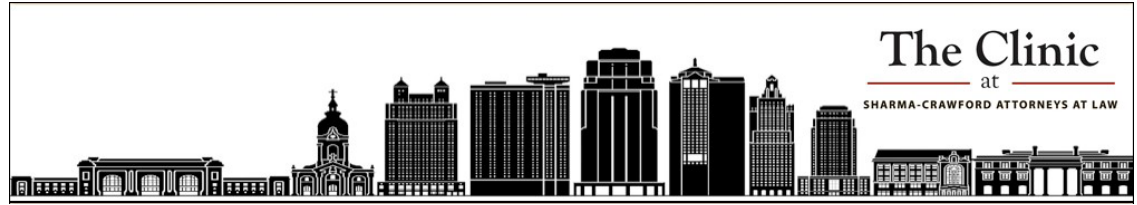
TIME	PANEL	INSTRUCTORS
9:45 – 10:00am	Introduction and Housekeeping	<i>Rekha Sharma-Crawford</i>
10:00 – 11:00am	The Importance of Winning at Trial	<i>Rekha Sharma-Crawford Hon. Lory Rosenberg (ret.) Hon. Paul Schmidt (ret.) & Hon. Susan Roy (ret.)</i>
11:00am-12:00	The elements of your case and the fundamentals of storytelling	<i>Erich Straub</i>
12:00 – 12:20pm	<i>GRAB YOUR LUNCH</i>	
12:20 – 1:10pm	Lunch Discussion: A View from the Bench – Ethical Lawyering & Cultural Competency in Immigration Court	<i>Hon. Susan Roy (ret.) Michael Sharma-Crawford</i>
1:15 – 2:15pm	Ethics of Child Witnesses, Trauma Survivors and Advocating for a Child Welfare Approach to Cancellation of Removal	<i>Lorilei W.</i>
2:15 – 2:30pm	<i>BREAK</i>	
2:30 - 2:40pm	Closing Arguments Demonstration	<i>Faculty</i>
2:40 – 3:35pm	Opening Statements & Closing Arguments Fundamentals + Drills	<i>Small Breakout Groups*</i>
3:35 – 3:45pm	<i>BREAK</i>	
3:45 – 4:15pm	Objections & Defending Against Them + Demonstration	<i>Faculty</i>
4:15-5:15pm	Objections Fundamentals + Drills	<i>Small Breakout Groups*</i>

**Happy Hour: 5:30pm at Quivira Park Shelter
11901 Quivira, Overland Park, KS 66213**

On the day of trial, participants will be expected to have reviewed and understood the course materials. In order to maximize your experience, please spend Thursday night reviewing them. Use storytelling fundamentals to start to put your case together. What are the strengths & weaknesses? What is your theme? Who is the villain, the hero, the victim?



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DAY 2 – Friday, May 5

**Johnson County Community College – Regnier Center Building
12345 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66210**

Check-In 8:30am – 8:50am CST
Check in on 2nd floor, room RC 270

TIME	PANEL	INSTRUCTORS
9:00am-9:30am	Direct Examination Fundamentals + Demonstration	<i>Faculty</i>
9:30am-11:00am	Drills: Direct Examination	<i>Small Breakout Groups with Faculty*</i>
11:00am-11:15am	<i>BREAK</i>	
11:15am-11:45am	Cross Examination Fundamentals + Demonstration	<i>Faculty</i>
11:45pm-12:00pm	<i>GRAB YOUR LUNCH</i>	
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch discussion: Diagnosing a case for strengths & weaknesses – tips and strategies	<i>Genevra Alberti Michael Sharma-Crawford</i>
1:00pm-2:30pm	Drills: Cross Examination	<i>Small Breakout Groups with Faculty*</i>
2:30pm-2:45pm	<i>BREAK</i>	
2:45pm-5:00pm	Quick witness prep demo by faculty, then meet and prep your witness;* practice direct and cross exam	<i>Small Breakout Groups with Faculty*</i>

Wrap up for the day

Mock Trials are tomorrow morning, so please spend the evening preparing!



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**DAY 3 – Saturday, May 6
Johnson County Courthouse
150 W. Santa Fe St.
Olathe, Kansas 66061**

Check-In/Breakfast – 8:30 - 8:50am CST

Check in at the jury room on the first floor (one floor up from court entrance)

TIME	EVENT
9:00am-11:00am	Trials (half of the groups)⁺ (run by conference attendees & judged by faculty)
11:00am-11:20am	<i>BREAK</i>
11:30am-1:30pm	Trials (other half of the groups)⁺ (run by conference attendees & judged by faculty)
1:30pm-1:45pm	<i>BREAK - PICK UP LUNCH</i>
1:45pm-3:00pm	Debrief with Faculty

Go. Fight. Win.

* During the breakout sessions on days 1 and 2, attendees will be broken up into small groups with attorney faculty/mentors assigned to each group. On day 2, each attendee will be provided with a volunteer witness (either a respondent or government witness) to prep for the mock trials to be held on day 3.

⁺ On day 3, conference attendees will be broken up into groups of 2; each group of 2 will run one trial - one attendee will act as Respondent's counsel, and one as DHS counsel; there will be one respondent per trial, plus one DHS witness per trial. The same volunteer witnesses you meet with on day 2 will act as the respondents or the DHS witnesses at the mock trials on day 3.