# 24th Annual Juvenile Delinquency & Child Welfare Law Conference 2023

Envisioning and pro-actively fostering communities of hope

How do we ensure that every family and child that we work with achieves their greatest potential? No matter our role in the systems we work in, we are called to do our best, rise to the occasion, and be HOPE dealers! Our keynote speaker, Hasan Davis, is a lawyer, juvenile justice advocate, and motivational speaker. A self-proclaimed Hope Dealer, Hasan has dedicated his career to advocating for youth justice and empowerment.

Davis uses his own experiences growing up in poverty and navigating the juvenile justice system to inspire and empower young people and the adults who champion them.

Hasan challenges participants to consider the impact of their presence, power, and perspective to absolutely transform the experience of every citizen who enters their chambers, offices, classrooms, or facilities. Hasan's Hope Framework centers the values of procedural fairness through the lens of Humanity, Optimism, Perspective and Empathy (H.O.P.E.) as tools that all members of the court community need to learn, practice, and apply to shift public perception and experience of it as a system that is fair whose outcomes can be trusted. Hasan shares examples from his own journey that illustrate their positive impact. Throughout Hasan's journey outliers and resistors found ways to engage, encourage, and empower him. With the support of these "Hope Dealers," Hasan transcended his mounting list of "failures" to become an advocate for himself and eventually a champion for others. Come ready to celebrate, recharge, and recommit to being the Hope Dealers that you are!

In the afternoon, we put these lessons into practice. All professionals who work with children in the juvenile court aim to meet the needs of each child that they work with. Increasingly, however, children with complex needs are falling into a service gap where they don't clearly fit within the service ability of any particular agency or have needs that seemingly exceed the system's ability to provide. We explore this pressing issue in two parts during our afternoon session.

For those attending in person, lunch is provided as well as a wine and cheese networking session at the culmination of the Conference!

# **Agenda**

- · Becoming a Professional Hope Dealer
- Case Law Update
- Narrowing the Service Gap for Children with Complex Needs Charged with Crimes
- · Narrowing the Service Gap for Children with Complex Needs in CRAs

# **Faculty**

Cristina F. Freitas, Esq., Freitas & Freitas LLP, Lowell, Cochair; Debbie F. Freitas, Esq., Freitas & Freitas LLP, Lowell, Cochair; Hon. Amy Nechtem, Chief Justice, Juvenile Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts; Cecely A. Reardon, Esq., Department of Youth Services, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hasan Davis, J.D., CEO and Founder, Hasan Davis Solutions Inc., Paint Lick, KY, Featured\_Speaker

# **Dates & Locations**

Register at www.mcle.org

### **BOSTON**

Friday, November 3, 2023 9:30 am-4:30 pm MCLE Conference Center 10 Winter Place, via Winter Street Program # 2240087P01

### **LIVE WEBCAST**

Friday, November 3, 2023 9:30 am-4:30 pm Program # 2240087WBC

### REBROADCAST @

Monday, November 20, 2023  $9:30 \text{ am}{-}4:30 \text{ pm}$  Program # 2240087RB1

## **REBROADCAST ©**

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 9:30 am-4:30 pm Program # 2240087RB2

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View after Tuesday, November 28, 2023 Program # 2240087WBA

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- \$195
- \$175.50 MCLE Sponsor Members
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# **Materials**

Massachusetts Juvenile Delinquency and Child Welfare Law Sourcebook & Citator ebook, plus speaker materials

- E-materials link emailed upon registration
- Complimentary print book for in-person registrants
- Transcript & videorecording emailed 2 weeks post-program

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