

Wednesday, November 4, 2026

4:30pm – 6:00pm Meeting of the Members, featuring "The Legacy of East St. Louis" [1.5 CE]

The Legacy of East St. Louis: Why Cultural Humility Matters in Legal Services

Thursday, November 5, 2026

8:30am – 10:00am Opening Plenary

10:15am – 11:30am Caucuses

11:30pm – 1:00pm Lunch (on own)

11:30pm – 1:00pm Section Meetings

1:00pm – 2:15pm - Session Block A [1 CE]

Legal Check-Ups: Moving Civil Legal Help Upstream Through a Preventative, Community-Based Model
From Limited Justice to Defending Futures: the legacy of In Re Gault and Youth Defense Specialization

2:30pm – 3:45pm - Session Block B [1 CE]

Training Community Justice Workers: A Replicable Model for Benefits Advocacy
Community Pathways: Building a network of referral partners for awareness and more effective legal services

3:45pm – 4:30pm Exhibitor Showcase

4:30pm – 5:45pm - Session Block C [1 CE]

Unauthorized to Practice? How NH Is Rewriting the Rules on Who Can Help
Criminal Courts as Partners in Homelessness Solutions

6:00pm – 7:00pm Section Meetings

7:00pm – 9:00pm Client Reception/Dance

Friday, November 6, 2026

8:30am – 9:45am - Session Block D [1 CE]

Bridging Worlds: Making Connections in Crimmigration

9:45am – 10:00am Break

10:00am – 11:15pm - Session Block E [1 CE]

Lessons from Illinois: Reframing Ableist and Ageist Language
We Were All Kids Once: Social Work and Mitigation with Children and Youth
Healing-Centered Justice: Trauma-Informed Legal Representation in Practice

11:15am – 11:30am Break

11:30am – 1:30pm Awards Luncheon

1:30pm – 1:45pm Break

1:45pm – 3:00pm - Session Block F [1 CE]

Partnering to Prevent Family Separation: How Public Defenders, Civil Legal Aid, and Community Organizations Can Work Together
Healing after Harm: The Impact of Integrating Trauma Recovery Centers and Civil Legal Aid
Reimagining Competence in the Criminal Legal Landscape

3:00pm – 3:15pm Break

3:15pm – 4:30pm - Session Block G [Requesting 1 CE]

Power to the People: A Holistic Revolution to End Mass Incarceration Through Participatory Defense
Beyond the Traditional Model: Building an Interdisciplinary Legal Aid Practice with Social Workers as Equal Partners
MAP-IT: Advancing Mitigation in Non-Capital Murder Cases in Texas

5:00pm – 7:00pm Stories That Move Us – Film Showcase

Saturday, November 7, 2026

9:00am – 12:00pm - Issue Intensive Workshops [3 CE]

In the Courts and Beyond: Practical Strategies to Protect Immigrant Communities
Defending Entitlement to Benefits: Ensuring Access in the Face of (Re)new(ed) Restrictions
Sustaining the Work: Building Healthier Cultures for Advocacy