



**2023 Court Attorney Referee Seminar  
September 21-22, 2023**

**AGENDA**



New York State Judicial Institute  
84 North Broadway, White Plains, New York 10603

# 2023 CARS DAY 1

## September 21, 2023

You must apply for CLE certificates for each individual session on the CLE Certificate Application System (CAS) at <http://inside-ucs.org/ji>. Spaces are provided below each session to record the codes needed to apply.

<b>8:00am - 8:50am</b>	<b>REGISTRATION &amp; BREAKFAST</b>	<b>Omni Room</b>
<b>8:50am - 9:00am</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
<b>9:00am - 10:15am</b>	<b>The Powers, Duties &amp; Scope of Authority of the Court Attorney Referee</b> <i>Phyllis Sambuco, Esq. (Moderator), Hon. Thomas Benedetto, Mary Dlabola, Esq., Laura Dietz, Esq., Burt Lipshie, Esq.</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
<i>10 minute Break</i>		CLE Code: _____
<b>10:25am - 11:25am</b>	<b>Ethical Considerations for Court Attorney Referees</b> <i>Rosemary Garland-Scott, Esq.</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
<i>10 minute Break</i>		CLE Code: _____
<b>11:35am - 12:35pm</b>	<b>Decision and Order Writing: Drafting the “Hear and Report” or the “Hear &amp; Determine”</b> <i>Hon. Gerald Lebovits</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
		CLE Code: _____
<b>12:35pm - 1:30pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>Omni Room</b>
<b>1:30pm - 2:45pm</b>	<b>The Interrelation Between Mental Illness in Hearings before Court Attorney Referees</b> <i>Hon. Jeffrey Goodstein, Hon. Cheryl Joseph, Dr. Pascal Chrisphonte, Dr. Laika Simeon-Thompson</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
<i>5 minute Break</i>		CLE Code: _____
<b>2:50pm - 4:05pm</b>	<b>The Manifestation of Implicit Bias in the Work of Court Attorney Referees</b> <i>Hon. Paulette Brown</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
<i>10 minute Break</i>		CLE Code: _____
<b>4:15pm - 5:30pm</b>	<b>Dealing with Attorneys, Litigants, and the Public</b> <i>Phyllis Sambuco, Esq. (Moderator), Hon. Henry Nowak, Hon. Emily Ruben</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
<i>15 minute Break</i>		CLE Code: _____
<b>5:45pm - 7:00pm</b>	<b>Dinner &amp; Wellness Program</b>	<b>Omni Room</b>



# 2023 CARS DAY 2

## September 22, 2023

<b>8:30am - 9:00am</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b>	<b>Omni Room</b>
<b>9:00am - 10:30am</b>	<b>FAMILY/MATRIMONIAL: Interactive Evidence</b> <i>Hon. Jeffrey Sunshine, Steven Gassman, Esq.</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
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	<b>CIVIL/SURROGATE'S: Interactive Evidence</b> <i>Hon. Jack Stoller, Prof. Michael Hutter</i>	<b>306B</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
<i>10 minute Break</i>		
<b>10:40am - 12:00pm</b>	<b>FAMILY: FCA Art 8 - Family Offense</b> <i>Hon. Andrew Crecca</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
	<b>MATRIMONIAL: Thorny Issues in Maintenance and Child Support with Interactive Audience Participation</b> <i>Hon. Cheryl Joseph, Elena Karabatos, Esq.</i>	<b>306A</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
	<b>CIVIL SUPREME: Case Management &amp; Settlement Conferencing</b> <i>Susan Salazar, Esq. (Moderator), Hon. Paula Feroletto, Irini Bekhit, Esq., David Caywood, Esq., Michele Kern-Rappy, Esq., Danielle Shalov, Esq.</i>	<b>306B</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
	<b>SURROGATE'S: ADR and Case Management in Surrogate's Court: Moving Cases and Freeing up Court Resources</b> <i>Hon. Brandon Sall, Eva-Marie Cusack, Esq., Wendy Leason, Esq., Judith Nolfo, Esq., Daniel Kos</i>	<b>305</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
<b>12:00pm - 1:30pm</b>	<b>WORKING LUNCH</b>	
	<b>FAMILY: Conducting the Custody &amp; Visitation Trial</b> <i>Hon. Anne-Marie Jolly, Lauren Norton-Lerner, Esq.</i>	<b>Lecture Hall</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
	<b>MATRIMONIAL: Thorny Issues in Equitable Distribution</b> <i>Hon. Jeffrey S. Sunshine (Moderator), Lee Rosenberg, Esq., Dana Stutman, Esq., CPA</i>	<b>306A</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
	<b>CIVIL SUPREME: Foreclosures for Court Attorney Referees</b> <i>Hon. Doris M. Gonzalez, Hon. Cassandra A. Johnson, Steven Helfont, Esq.</i>	<b>306B</b>
	CLE Code: _____	
	<b>SURROGATE'S: Determining Counsel Fee Applications and Disputes in Surrogate's Court</b> <i>Eric Penzer, Esq.</i>	<b>305</b>
	CLE Code: _____	

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10 minute Break

**1:40pm - 2:40pm**      **FAMILY: Making Reasonable Efforts Findings**      **Lecture Hall**  
*Hon. Erik Pitchal*

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**MATRIMONIAL: Pro Se Litigants, Court Attorney Referees & Mediation**      **306A**  
*Hon. Jeffrey Sunshine, Mary Dlabola, Esq., Matthew Deedy, Esq.,  
Elizabeth Nowicki, Esq., Natasha Pasternack, LCSW*

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**CIVIL/SURROGATE'S: An Overview of Digital Assets  
& Cryptocurrency**      **306B**  
*Hon. Saliann Scarpulla, Jill Choate Beier, Esq.*

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**2:50pm - 3:50pm**      **FAMILY: Case Management for Family Court Referees**      **Lecture Hall**  
*Hon. Erik Pitchal, Val Waldeier, Esq.*

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**MATRIMONIAL: Case Management for Matrimonial Referees**      **306A**  
*Hon. Keri Fiore (Moderator), Jeremy Feinberg, Esq.,  
Carolyn Genovesi, Esq., Cynthia Snodgrass, Esq.*

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**CIVIL SUPREME: CPLR Issues: Personal Jurisdiction,  
Service of Process, and Disclosure**      **306B**  
*Burt Lipshie, Esq.*

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**SURROGATE'S: Conducting Kinship Hearings**      **305**  
*Lisa Barbieri, Esq., Diane Matero, Esq.,  
Jacqueline Mazzola, Esq., Juliette Sears, Esq.*

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