

## AILA Ohio CLE Conference Schedule 2018

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### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18TH**

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	<p><b>Consular Processing</b></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Jennifer Snead</b></li><li>• <b>Mark Nesbit</b></li><li>• <b>Russell Menyhart</b></li></ul> <p>Description:</p> <p>This panel will cover a range of consular processing topics including the visa application process, waivers of inadmissibility, interview preparation, and post-interview issues.</p>
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<p><b>Mock Immigration Court Hearing</b></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Scott Bratton</b></li><li>• <b>Matt Benson</b></li><li>• <b>Blake Somers</b></li><li>• <b>Amy Bittner</b></li></ul> <p>Description:</p> <p>This session will present some of the most difficult common scenarios that immigration attorneys face in Immigration Court when defending respondents in removal proceedings. Experienced removal defense attorneys will act as Immigration Judge, DHS counsel, Respondent's counsel, and Respondent in acting out the various scenarios, including bond hearings. After each mock scenario, the presenters will pause to explain to provide direct instructional explanation to the audience, before moving on to the next hypothetical scenario.</p>
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<p><b>Happy Hour Sponsored by Languages Creative, LLC At Barley's Brewing Company, 467 N. High Street</b></p>

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### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

7:30 AM – 7:55 AM	Registration and breakfast
7:55 AM – 8:15 AM	<b>Welcome and thank you from Chapter Chair and Keynote Speaker, Ben Johnson, Esq., Executive Director, AILA</b>
8:15 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>Hot Topics</b>  Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>David Leopold</b></li><li>▪ <b>Anastasia Tonello</b></li><li>▪ <b>Allen Orr</b></li><li>▪ <b>Ben Johnson</b></li></ul> Description  This panel of national leaders of AILA and the AIC will provide updates and up-to-the date information concerning the latest trends in the field of immigration law, executive immigration actions, and immigrant rights, including recent communications with the government.
	Break
9:45 AM – 10:45 AM	<b>Access to Justice/Fairness (ethics)</b>  Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Karen Lucas</b></li><li>▪ <b>Eugenio Mollo</b></li><li>▪ <b>Camille Gill</b></li></ul> Description  The Legal Services Corporation recently found in its <i>Justice Gap</i> report that “86% of the civil legal problems reported by low-income Americans received inadequate or no legal help.” A similar scarcity of legal services for immigrants exists in Ohio. In this session, learn about access to justice and fairness topics, including best practices for pro bono representation and accommodating language. Panelists will share information about the different legal aid and

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	<p>nonprofit immigration legal service providers throughout the state – what they do, what they wish they could do if more resources exist, struggles their clients face, and opportunities for partnership with members of the immigration bar.</p>	
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	<p><b>Litigation</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Rob Cohen</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Leslie Dellon</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Maria Baldini</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>Panelists will discuss recent Supreme Court and Circuit decisions and their effect on immigration practices. Specifically, panelists will discuss the evolution of litigation post-<i>Pereira</i>, the recent milestone Supreme Court decision. The panel will also discuss H-1B litigation, motions to suppress in the Immigration Court, and habeas actions, among other topics. Lastly, the present strategies moving forward regarding administrative closure given the Board of Immigration Appeal’s recent decision in <i>Castro-Tum</i>.</p>	
12:00 PM – 12:05 PM	Speaker	
12:05 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch	
	Removal Track	Business Track
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	<p><b>Juvenile Panel</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Jessica Ramos</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Kimberly Jordan</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Tania Nemer</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>This panel will discuss current hot topics as they pertain to juveniles in immigration law as well common hardships advocates face when representing juveniles.</p>	<p><b>RFEs (H-1Bs, L-1s)</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Bennett R. Savitz , Chair of the USCIS HQ Committee</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Theresa Corcoran</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Michael Hammond</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>Receiving a Request for Evidence (RFE) is now expected when filing H-1B and L-1 petitions. How can you assist your client in preparing the most effective response to address the</p>

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		<p>issues raised by USCIS? Our panel of experts will focus on the latest H-1B and L-1 RFE trends we are seeing in 2018, and provide strategies, tips, and ways to rebut and overcome these RFEs</p>
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM	<p><b>Waivers</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Ally Bolour</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Heather Prendergast</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Katie Vannucci (Invited)</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>This panel will discuss the various options available in the complex area of waivers. Who qualifies, what qualifying relatives are, what type of waivers apply in which situation, the importance of an underlying approved family relative petition for most waivers, waivers in removal proceedings, waivers in immigration court, and waivers before the USCIS. Also included will be a brief discussion of I-601 and I601-A waivers (state side and consular respectively)</p>	<p><b>Buy American Hire American</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Maria Schneider</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Ellen Freeman</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Drew Zeltner</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>The panel will examine the impact of “Buy American, Hire American” Executive Order on review of nonimmigrant visa petitions and applications by the USCIS and US Embassies and Consulates abroad, specifically in the contexts of H-1B, O-1, E-1/E-2 and L-1 visas.</p>
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM	<p><b>Asylum</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Madhu Sharma</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Jessica Larson</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Amanda Crew Slezak of the National Immigrant Justice Center</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p>	<p><b>Advanced PERM</b></p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vincent Lau</b></li> <li>• <b>David Cook</b></li> <li>• <b>Ian Wagreich</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>The panel will address issues including Prevailing Wage</p>

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	<p>Despite the statute surrounding asylum law remaining unchanged for decades, regulation and enforcement of the INA has changed with each administration. This session will focus on the recent Attorney General decision in <i>Matter of A-B-</i> and it's effect on the viability of many asylum applications already filed and to be filed in the future. Additionally, the panel will discuss how to move forward after this decision and best strategies when crafting definitions for Particular Social Groups.</p>	<p>Best Practices and Alternative Wage Surveys. It will advise as to the best practices for Special Handling for the Academic. Traveling, Remote, and Telecommuting Employees issues will be covered. The panelists will discuss latest trends in BALCA cases and finally will address all things involving Audits.</p>
3:45 PM – 4:00 PM	<b>Break</b>	
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<p><b>Strategies in Removal Proceedings</b> Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Jesse Lloyd</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Alex Cuic</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Aaron Hall</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>This panel will discuss current strategies in representing Respondents in removal proceedings, considering recent enforcement priorities and the consequential changed position of the DHS toward Respondent's procedural motions and adjudicating relief from removal.</p>	<p><b>USCIS Interviews</b> Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Neil Fleisher</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Staci Jenkins</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Stephanie Reither, Columbus USCIS FOD</b></li> </ul> <p>Description</p> <p>EB adjustment interviews are now required in all cases. Now that we are over nine months into this process, our panel of experts will discuss developing trends, how well field office examiners are trained on employment issues, and how best to prepare clients. Panelists also will explore strategies for dealing with lengthy delays at local</p>

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