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September 2018

### **NEXT CLE:**

Tuesday, September 25, 2018 6:00 p.m.

## ADVANCED ONLINE REPUTATION MANAGEMENT (ORM) FOR ATTORNEYS AND CLIENTS PART 2

Presented by Sameer Somal

Whitpain Township Building 960 Wentz Road Meeting Room "A" Blue Bell, PA

- •Free for MCPA members •\$10.00 for NFPA affiliated members (evidence required)
- •\$20.00 for non-members

Light Bites and Beverages

Please RSVP By Friday, September 14, 2018 to:

jkuemmerle@lutherwoods.org

**Collections for Laurel House:** 

NEW OR GENTLY USED. Women's, Men's, Children's, Baby clothing. Please no stains, tears, missing buttons, broken zippers, etc.)

All Accessories (handbags, wallets, belts, scarves, gloves, hats) Jewelry (including broken sterling or gold), Toiletries (new and unopened)

Approved for 1.5 (S) CLE by NFPA and Key-



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- ◆ Receive MCPA's bi-monthly newsletter MCPA Today;
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- ◆Access MCPA List Serv where paralegals can get advice and assistance in all areas of practice;
- ♦ Monthly meetings or Seminars\* dealing with topics that affect paralegals today;
- ♦ *Obtain the annual MCPA Membership Directory*;
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# FOR THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS PENNSYLVANIA - FALL FESTIVAL NOVEMBER 2, 3, 4, 2018

Pennsylvania

2018

The 30th Fall Festival will be held at Villanova University from November 2-4, 2018!

The Special Olympics Pennsylvania Fall Festival is hosted and organized by Villanova University students and is the largest annual student-run Special Olympics event in the world. Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA) provides year-round sports training and competition for more than 20,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities. The organization offers over 260 local and sectional events and four major statewide events - Winter Games, Summer Games, State Floor Hockey Tournament, and Fall Festival - in 23 sports with the opportunity for athletes to advance to regional and international competition.

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More information to follow!

### **MBF Paralegals Fellows Program**

The Montgomery Bar Foundation is the charitable arm of the Montgomery Bar Association, dedicated to fostering access to justice for disadvantaged individuals struggling with crime, poverty, abuse and discrimination. The Foundation provides financial and other support to organizations that offer civil legal assistance and representation to the most vulnerable members of our community, many of whom the MCPA has also supported in the past. Your contribution of just \$100 per year, for the next 5 years will begin your membership into the Fellows Program and ensure your participation in future events. Now is the time to join and be included in the recognition ceremony and gather at the Philadelphia Aviation Country Club!

Grants are given and are made possible by contributions received from Bar Foundation Fellows. In fact, the Montgomery Bar Foundation is one of the few sources of unrestricted funding for organizations that provide civil legal services free of charge. As public funding continues to dwindle for organizations providing access to justice, the Bar Foundation is committed to increasing the amount of support it provides. By becoming a member of the Paralegal Fellows Program, you are helping to ensure that justice and fair treatment is not confined to those who can afford legal assistance.

Your participation in the program will be honored and acknowledged in a number of ways:



- ◆ Your name will be included in the list of program participants on the Montgomery Bar Foundation's website (www.montgomerybarfoundation.org), and on a plaque that will be installed at the Montgomery Bar Association offices;
- You will be included in the list of new members appearing in the Montgomery Bar Association's SideBar magazine, and a
  press release will be sent to community, business and other legal publications;
- You will receive a certificate to display in your office;
- As a Fellow, you will also be invited to attend exclusive MBF Fellow events:
- A ribbon designating you as a Bar Foundation Fellow will be affixed to your name tag at both MCPA functions and MBF Fellow events.

It is an honor for MCPA to be included in Bar Association events. Help us continue the association by becoming a Fellow today! <u>Click here</u> for more information and an application.

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