



Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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Juvenile Officer Refresher: Juvenile Court Act Review & Legal Update

DATE: January 31, 2018

Registration Ends: January 17, 2018

TIME: 8:00 AM—5:00 PM **8 Hours**

LOCATION: Stewart Centre West, 2900 W. Pearl City Road, Freeport, IL

INSTRUCTOR: Sabra Ebersole, Attorney

COURSE CONTENT: Officers do not have to be a certified Juvenile Officer to attend this training. Many officers attend the state certified Juvenile Officer training and after the initial training they do not receive refresher training beyond the occasional juvenile law update. This training will provide the legal updates, along with a review of the training received during the state certified course.

This class will cover the following topics-

1. Overview of the Juvenile Court Act
2. Purpose and policy behind the JCA
3. Basics of abuse, neglect, and dependency including definitions, protective custody and an overview of the court process
4. Delinquent minors
 - a. Balanced and Restorative Justice principles and their impact
 - b. Confidentiality, including a discussion on sharing information with school officials
 - c. Processing minors, including limits on detention, the new juvenile Miranda requirements, and electronic recording of statements and representation by counsel
 - d. Custodial interrogation of minors and limits on admissibility of statements
 - e. The role of the juvenile officer in processing, detaining and questioning minors
 - f. Updates to juvenile jurisdiction, including limits on processing and charging minors as adults
 - g. Detention screening and hearings
 - h. Amendments to sentencing juveniles, including limits on sending youth to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice and after care release
5. Proposed amendments to the Juvenile Court Act from Springfield

Partial funding provided by Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and MTU#1's request for certification of this course has been approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

REGISTRATION:

All registrations are received on the [MTU#1 website](#). Find Registration instructions [here](#)

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Instructor's Biography

Sabra Ebersole graduated from DePaul College of Law in 1993. She worked in a general private practice until 1995, when she went to work for the Cook County Public Guardian. As an Assistant Public Guardian in Juvenile Court, she represented minors who were the subject of abuse and neglect proceedings.

In 1999, she became an Assistant State's Attorney in the Cook County State's Attorney's Office. She joined the office to work in the newly created Family Law Track in Juvenile Court. She prosecuted cases in both the Child Protection Division and the Delinquency Division. After a total of ten years in the Juvenile Justice Bureau she moved to the Criminal Bureau.

While in the Criminal Bureau she served in the Felony Domestic Relations Division and the Sex Crimes Division. She specialized in prosecuting acquaintance rape and intimate partner sexual assaults. She tried dozens of jury trials, including the trials of two doctors who were convicted of sexually assaulting patients during medical examinations. She has presented multiple trainings to prosecutors, law enforcement and victim advocates on issues surrounding sexual assault and domestic violence prosecutions.

In 2015, Sabra left the Cook County State's Attorney's Office and returned to private practice. Her practice is concentrated in the areas of Domestic Relations, Juvenile Justice, and representation of victims of violent crime.

Sabra has been an instructor for the ILETSB certified Juvenile Officer course.

