

United States District Court District of Montana

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COURT ANNOUNCEMENT

The United States District Court for the District of Montana will co-sponsor a free CLE program titled "Orders of Protection: Empowering Attorneys for Action" to be held on August 2, 2019 at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law at the University of Montana. This free program, presented in partnership with the School of Law, the State Bar of Montana, the Supreme Court of Montana, and the Montana Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, will train attorneys from all practice areas to assist domestic violence survivors in obtaining orders of protection. The event is intended to comply with the Pro Bono Work to Empower and Represent (POWER) Act of 2018, which requires all federal district courts to present similar events on an annual basis.

Pending approval, the event will offer 4.5 CLE credits, consisting of three hours of pro bono training in the morning and a 90-minute judges' panel in the afternoon. Following the conclusion of the CLE program, the United States District Court will hold the investiture ceremony for incoming United States Magistrate Judge Kathleen L. DeSoto at the Russell Smith Courthouse in Missoula.

For more information or to register for this free CLE event, please <u>click here</u> or visit the Montana State Bar website at:

https://www.montanabar.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1257898