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Two Days in May 2014 Speaker Presentations
Hyatt Regency Columbus
350 North High Street
Third Floor Ballroom

Monday, May 12, 2014 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Changing the Way the Law Looks at the Sex Trade Business

Paul Herbert, Franklin County Municipal Court Judge

A Franklin County Municipal Court judge for the past decade, Paul Herbert conceived of and presides over the innovative CATCH Court. Short for Changing Actions to Change Habits, the court focuses on human trafficking victims charged with the misdemeanor offense of solicitation. Herbert launched the program in 2009, and the results have been nothing short of miraculous. Women who fulfill the court's rigorous expectations find a safe path out of a vicious lifestyle and are overcoming addictions, reuniting with their families, and furthering their educations. An Ohio State University and Capital University Law School graduate, Herbert spent time in private practice before becoming a Franklin County assistant prosecutor. He later served as chief of the Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office and was elected clerk in 1996. Voters elected him to his current post in 2003.

Barbara Freeman, Motivational Speaker and CATCH Court Graduate

When Barbara Freeman was 16, an older man showered her with gifts and money and introduced her to crack cocaine. She had no idea what he had in store for her life. She was raped many times by many men and arrested for prostitution numerous times. As a victim of human trafficking, she lost her self-worth. Shortly after April 8, 2009 — the night of her last arrest — she entered two programs: CATCH Court and Amethyst, a long-term drug and alcohol treatment program for women. Today, she shares her story to educate young men and women about human trafficking. She was recently recognized as a Columbus YWCA Woman of Achievement.

Monday, May 12, 2014 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. *Predatory Behavior*

Dr. Veronique Valliere, Psychologist and President of Valliere and Counseling Associates

Dr. Veronique N. Valliere has more than 20 years' experience directing and supervising programs that deal with violence, abuse, trauma, and criminality. A licensed psychologist, she maintains a private practice in Allentown, Pa., and has worked in individual and group treatment with violent offenders and their victims, including domestic violence and sex offenders. Valliere holds a doctorate in clinical psychology from Rutgers University. She has authored publications on the treatment and dynamics of sex

offenders and presented on the topic at national and international conferences. She has also testified before Congress on sexual assault in the military and trained with the U.S. Department of Justice. A member of the Pennsylvania Sexual Offender Assessment Board, to which she has been reappointed twice, Valliere has presented for the National Center for the Prosecution of Violence Against Women. She has also provided training for judges, polygraph examiners, and law enforcement, including Pennsylvania State Parole agents on the supervision of violent offenders.

Tuesday, May 13, 2014 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Juvenile Homicide, Why Teens Kill

Phil Chalmers, Researcher and Author

Phil Chalmers is a leading authority on juvenile homicide and mass murder. He has interviewed more than 200 teen killers and school shooters along with numerous serial killers, mass murderers, and sexual predators. His intent is to delve into the minds of offenders and explore why they killed and if society could have stopped them. A student of youth culture for 25 years, he is an expert on youth behavior and entertainment. He has studied juvenile homicide and mass murder for two decades and is the author of several books, including "Inside the Mind of a Teen Killer" and "True Lies." Chalmers has interviewed and interacted with numerous crime personalities, including Charles Manson, David Berkowitz ("Son of Sam"), serial killer Danny Rolling, and several school shooters. He has been featured on the Biography Channel show "Killer Teens." A resident of Northeast Ohio, Chalmers speaks at schools nationwide, addressing such topics as bullying, crime prevention, suicide, substance abuse, and Internet safety.