Course – Title PURSUING ONE'S LEGAL RIGHTS, POST-INCARCERATION

Date and Time of Delivery on Zoom: January 4th ,2021

Duration: March 15,2021 to May 15,2021

Course Objectives:

To provide practical,. Real world and time tested strategies to achieve the most favorable outcomes for the Student / Releasee in effectively navigating probation and parole in pursuing viable administrative remedy and legal issues and to secure a criminal case record sealing and / or an expungement and more.

Sessions:

A. Navigating Probation and Parole

1. The Probation and Parole Officers.

2. The importance of reaching out to locally based community colleges. Examine current enrollments and determine if and what best curriculum is available and of interest.

3. Contact your Secretary of State office to find out what you must do to secure your driver's license;

4. Contact local outreach agencies to learn about job availability in your areas of interest.

5. Maintain a detailed and chronicled listing of your efforts in these respects and bring this documentation to your probation or parole meetings.

6.	The Internet and cell phones.
	B. Common Issues and Best Practices In Pursuing Prison Legal Matters and Prison Litigation
	1. What constitutes a reasonable issue to formally pursue administratively or in a Court of Law.
	2. How to best proceed to pursue your legal rights, post-incarceration, either with retained counsel versus proceeding on a pro se basis.
	3. Limitations on pursuing legal redress, post- conviction
	4. How to Find an Attorney.
	C. Criminal Record Relief
	1. The distinction between Expungement and Sealing
	2. What can be accomplished, post-incarceration, as a state versus as a federally incarcerated individual.
	3. Executive Clemency Opportunities in the State and Federal Systems.
	4. Pardons versus Sentencing Commutations. What is the difference? pursue either administratively or by way of court filings, post-incarceration?
Support and Resources; Course Facilitator	
David Grosky Esq.	

Mr. Grosky, 1986 graduate of Chicago-Kent, College of Law, was in private practice from 1986-1997 specializing in complex civil litigation.

Mr Grosky was a member of the federal court trial bar for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois until 2008. Mr. Grosky was convicted of wire and mail fraud in 2008 and was subsequently federally incarcerated from September, 2008 until April, 2019. During the entirety of his incarceration, Mr. Grosky devoted most of his time assisting inmates with a variety of legal needs including criminal case post- conviction appeals, internal prison administrative matters and a host of civil matters ranging from divorce, bankruptcy and estate matters. Nicholas Seidel

Following his nearly 5 years of incarceration in Illinois State prisons, during which time Mr. Seidel routinely assisted inmates with criminal case research and document preparation and filings, he has worked at the Cabrini Green Legal Aid offices in Chicago and is currently pursuing his lifetime dream of securing his Juris Doctor Degree as a licensed attorney in the state of Illinois.

Currently employed at CARPLS. It is one of the largest legal aid agencies in Chicago!

Final Assignment:

To receive Certification you will need to complete:

10 Question True or False Test.