



**2025 Hot Topics in Probate
(EEP251119)**

Aqua Turf Club, Plantsville

Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2025

8:45 am – 3:30 pm

Presented by:

**The Connecticut Probate Assembly
and the CBA's Elder Law and Estates and Probate Sections**



- 8:45 am – 9:15 am: Registration
- 9:15 am – 9:30 am: Welcoming remarks:
Hon. Beverly K. Streit, Connecticut Probate Court Administrator
Hon. Michael M. Darby, President, Connecticut Probate Assembly
Emily A. Gianquinto, CBA President, McCarter & English LLP, Hartford
- 9:30 am – 10:30 am: *Professionalism in Practice and the Courts*
Hon. Michael Brandt, PD36 East-Haven North Haven PC, Chair of PA Ethics Committee
Elizabeth Rowe, Connecticut Statewide Bar Counsel, First Assistant Bar Counsel
- 10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break
- 10:45 am – 12:00 pm: *Creditor Claims: Decedent Estates*
Hon. Matthew Jalowiec, PD18 Cheshire-Southington
Kelley G. Peck, Cummings & Lockwood LLC, West Hartford
Luke Tashjian, Cohen and Wolf PC, Westport
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch
- 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm: *Highly Contentious Cases, Techniques and Alternatives*
Hon. Lisa Wexler, Westport Probate Court
Hon. Paul J. Knierim (Ret.), Czepiga Daly Pope & Perri LLC, Simsbury

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm: Break

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm: *Cross Discipline Discussion: Challenges Facing Incapacity and the Provision of Care*

Panel:

Hon. Americo Carchia, New Haven Probate Court

Hon. Paul Ganim, Bridgeport Probate Court

Dr. Vruksha Cabral, Yale School of Medicine

Dr. Melissa Lang, Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut, New Haven

Dr. Hemal Patel, Charlotte Hungerford Hospital

Karen Gargamelli-McCreight, CT Legal Services

Adrienne Guliano, Charlotte Hungerford Hospital

Sandra Sherlock-White, Law Offices of Sandra Sherlock-White LLC, West Hartford

Moderator:

Prof. Jenifer L. Herbst, Quinnipiac University School of Law