



2023 SPRING YOUTH DEFENDER CERTIFICATION TRAINING
Graduate Hotel
Oxford, Mississippi
March 22-23, 2023

AGENDA

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Registration

12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m. Welcome

*[Andre' de Gruy](#), State Public Defender
Office of State Public Defender
Jackson, Mississippi*

*[Erin E. Briggs](#), Training Director
Office of State Public Defender
Jackson, Mississippi*

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Working With Court Interpreters (1 hr.)

*[Deenie Miller](#), Language Access Coordinator
Mississippi Supreme Court
Administrative Office of Courts
Jackson, Mississippi*

1:15 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.

Evaluation

1:20 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Walk It Like You Talk It – Understanding Youth Behavior and Using Positive Language in Juvenile Court (Ethics)(2 hrs.)

*[Ebony Howard](#), Deputy Director
The Gault Center (formerly National Juvenile Defender Center)
Birmingham, AL*

3:30 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.

Evaluation

3:35 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **The Only dumb Question is the One You Don't Ask: How to Prepare for Direct and Cross-Examination in Youth Court Cases – Part 1** (1.5 hrs.)

[Jacinta A. Hall](#)
The J.A. Hall Law Firm
Olive Branch, Mississippi

5:15 p.m. – 5:20 p.m. **Evaluation**

Thursday, March 23, 2023

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast**

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **The Only dumb Question is the One You Don't Ask: How to Prepare for Direct and Cross-Examination in Youth Court Cases – Part 2** (1.5 hrs.)

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10:00 a.m. – 10:05 a.m. **Evaluation**

10:05 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Break & hotel check-out**

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Shackling Children in Court: What the \$*#@ Are We Doing?!? (1 hr.)**

[Benjamin C. Gonring](#), *Attorney Manager, Juvenile Unit*
Office of the Wisconsin State Public Defender
Madison, Wisconsin

[Alaina Fahley](#), *Assistant State Public Defender*
Office of the Wisconsin State Public Defender
Appleton, Wisconsin

11:30 a.m. – 11:35 a.m. **Evaluation**

11:35 a.m. **Adjourn**