

## **Subsidized Housing Basics 2016**

**September 27, 2016**

**9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

### **Why You Should Attend**

This substantive training provides a basic overview of the federal housing programs, recent changes, current trends, and issues facing practitioners. The half-day training is designed for advocates with limited housing experience, but practitioners at all experience levels should benefit from this training. The panelists are noted experts in housing law who will cover a broad-range of topics in federally-subsidized housing with real-world examples.

### **What You Will Learn**

- How to identify federally subsidized housing in your community
- Defining features of the various federally assisted housing programs, including a brief overview of eviction protections
- Oversight of programs

### **Who Should Attend**

Practitioners who want to gain a deeper understanding of subsidized housing, as well as housing attorneys looking for tools to represent their clients in federally-subsidized housing. The sessions will address issues pertinent to those new to federally-subsidized housing practice as well as experienced practitioners.

## **Program Schedule**

9:00

### **Program Overview and Introductions**

*Kent Qian*

9:15

### **Public Housing**

This session provides an overview of the public housing program. We will also discuss HUD's Rental Assistance Transformation (RAD) program, which was created to give public housing authorities (PHAs) a tool to preserve and improve public housing properties and address a nationwide backlog of deferred maintenance.

*Jessica Cassella*

10:15

### **HUD Multifamily and Low Income Housing Tax Credit Programs**

This session covers the HUD-assisted multifamily program and the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program. We will cover how to identify HUD-assisted and tax credit properties, tenants' rights, and rent-setting in these properties.

*Stephen Knight, Kent Qian*

11:15

*Networking Break*

11:30

### **Housing Choice Voucher Program**

This session covers the Housing Choice Voucher program, commonly known as the Section 8 voucher program. We will cover the unique features of the voucher program including moving with continued assistance both within (mobility) and outside of (portability) a Housing Authority's jurisdiction. We will also discuss voucher families' rights during admission, occupancy, and the subsidy termination process.

*Deborah Thrope*

12:30

*Adjourn*

## Faculty

### Chairperson

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