# A Fresh Approach to Community Lawyering

### SPEAKERS: Amy Petkovsek, Melanie Townsend Diggs

## Session/Speaker Evaluation

### The session content was consistent with description in the agenda

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| 4 | 4 | 5 | 21% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 18 | 75% |
| | Mean | **4.63** | |

### The session information will help me be more effective in my position.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 2 | 8% |
| 4 | 4 | 6 | 25% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 15 | 63% |
| | Mean | **4.42** | |

### I can use the information I learned right away.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 2 | 8% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 12% |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | 16% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 16 | 64% |
| | Mean | **4.28** | |

### Overall, the speakers for this session were knowledgeable.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| 4 | 4 | 3 | 12% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 21 | 84% |
| | Mean | **4.72** | |

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## Overall, the speakers for this session were engaging.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| 4 | 4 | 5 | 20% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 19 | 76% |
| | Mean | **4.64** | |

## The session met or exceeded my expectation.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 2 | 8% |
| 4 | 4 | 5 | 20% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 17 | 68% |
| | Mean | **4.48** | |

## The topics covered were relevant, interesting and timely.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| 4 | 4 | 7 | 28% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 17 | 68% |
| | Mean | **4.56** | |

## The session was interactive with significant audience participation.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 7 | 28% |
| 4 | 4 | 5 | 20% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 12 | 48% |
| | Mean | **4.08** | |

## The handouts and materials were useful.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 2 | 9% |
| 2 | 2 | 1 | 5% |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 14% |
| 4 | 4 | 3 | 14% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 13 | 59% |
| | Mean | **4.09** | |

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## Audio-visual aids were used effectively.

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Strongly Disagree | 1 | 4% |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| 3 | 3 | 1 | 4% |
| 4 | 4 | 5 | 20% |
| 5 | Strongly Agree | 18 | 72% |
| | Mean | **4.56** | |

## Approximately how many participants attended this session?

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 to 10 | 0 | 0% |
| 2 | 11 to 25 | 4 | 16% |
| 3 | 26 to 40 | 11 | 44% |
| 4 | 41 to 60 | 8 | 32% |
| 5 | 61 to 75 | 2 | 8% |
| 6 | 76 or more | 0 | 0% |
| | Mean | **2.92** | |

## Would you recommend this session for next year's conference agenda?

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Yes | 22 | 100% |
| 2 | No | 0 | 0% |
| | Mean | **1.00** | |

## Would you recommend this particular faculty for next year's conference?

| | Choices | Count | Percent |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Yes | 20 | 100% |
| 2 | No | 0 | 0% |
| | Mean | **1.00** | |

## Why or why not?

- Knowledgeable, engaging & enthusiastic faculty.
- Their passion and excitement was palpable.
- Very engaging & inspiring.
- Yes. Informative and useful to a community partnership and program & community organization.
- Presenters used impressive and knowledgeable on the field of work, outreach, growth in the Maryland legal aid partnership with IT and PayPal.
- The presentation was interesting and interactive providing new & innovative ideas to expand & provide services to those who may not otherwise have access.
- For our youth and those that are re-entering.
- We need to focus on helping our youth.
- The presenter from the Toledo program provided a great example of community lawyering.

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**What in particular about this session would you like us to know about and why?**
- Good example of being active in delivering legal services & addressing a legal need.
- Amazingly effective example.
- Nice idea of having skyped in testimonial from clients.
- Need more handouts.
- I am so excited to use this model to expand our own expungement work.
- Amy brought sunshine to my day.
- Great concrete ideas to replicate model.
- Introduction of new information that programs can used in their communities.
- Very good presentation with practical information.
- Amazing work with PayPal. Definitely continues to do community outreach initiatives.
- The ideas presented were fresh & innovative that can be utilized with success in any jurisdiction.
- Everything.
- Essential info for effective community advocacy strategies.
- True results stories.
- Would have liked to hear some strategies of how to determine issues that can be addressed though community lawyering.

**What are your overall impressions about the faculty at this particular session?**
- Effective in relaying the experience/program.
- Excellent and engaging.
- Knew their stuff.
- Very knowledgeable.
- Both women were wonderful!
- Awesome.
- Amazing! Loved lawyer/library/client representation on session to get all perspectives.
- Partnership with the library is a great idea all legal aid community should implement this program in their area.
- Knowledgeable & organized.
- All the hard work for Maryland legal aid has done.
- Very knowledgeable, dedicated and passionate about the work they performed.
- They were all wonderful and full of knowledge.
- Effective & knowledgeable.
- Dedicated.
- Prepared. Knowledgeable.