

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 988

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to attorney training; amending 10A
8 O.S. 2011, Section 1-8-101, which relates to
9 education and training of judicial personnel and
10 attorneys with juvenile docket responsibility;
11 modifying persons required to have certain training;
12 and providing an effective date.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-8-101, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1-8-101. A. 1. The Supreme Court is required to
17 establish by rule, education and training requirements for judges,
18 associate judges, special judges, and referees who have juvenile
19 docket responsibility. Rules shall include, but not be limited to,
20 education and training relating to juvenile law, child abuse and
21 neglect, foster care and out-of-home placement, domestic violence,
22 behavioral health treatment, and other similar topics.

23 2. All judges having juvenile docket responsibility shall
24 attend at least twelve (12) hours of training in such courses each

1 calendar year relating to the topics described in paragraph 1 of
2 this subsection.

3 3. The Administrative Director of the Courts shall be
4 responsible for developing and administering procedures and rules
5 for such courses for judicial personnel, including monitoring the
6 attendance of judicial personnel at such training.

7 B. 1. Any district attorney, assistant district attorney,
8 public defender, assistant public defender, attorney employed by or
9 under contract with the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System, court-
10 appointed ~~or retained~~ attorney, or attorney employed by or under
11 contract with a district court whose duties include juvenile docket
12 responsibility shall complete at least six (6) hours of education
13 and training annually in courses relating to the topics described in
14 paragraph 1 of subsection A of this section. These education and
15 training requirements may be accomplished through a collaborative
16 effort between the judiciary and others with juvenile docket
17 responsibilities.

18 2. Each judicial district shall be responsible for developing
19 and administering procedures and rules for such courses for
20 attorneys identified in this subsection whose duties routinely
21 include juvenile court docket responsibilities. The chief judge of
22 each judicial district, or any designee judge with juvenile docket
23 responsibilities, shall carry out this mandate within one (1) year
24 of the effective date of this legislation.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

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