

ROBS GENERAL MEETING

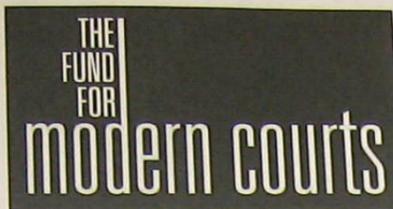
APRIL 16, 2010

Speaker from the Attorney General's Office

TOPIC: Identity Theft

**ROBS slate of candidates
for the upcoming election
to be held at the ROBS General Meeting
on May 7, 2010**

**A tribute to Ruth McCalla
for her outstanding contribution to ROBS as Program Chair.
She has done an outstanding job of organizing our Holiday and
End-of the Year Luncheons, arranging for guest speakers at our
meetings, and supervising monthly meetings hospitality table.
Ruth will not be running as Program Chair next year,
because she will be relocating to Maryland.
She will be greatly missed.**



**The Fund for Modern Courts
Is Seeking Volunteers for Court Monitoring in the
Suffolk County Family Courts**

Please join us to learn about our upcoming Court Monitoring Program in the
Suffolk County Family Courts in Central Islip and Riverhead.

Friday, April 30, 2010

10:30AM-12:30PM

At

Touro Law Center

225 Eastview Drive, Central Islip, NY 11722

Light Refreshments Will Be Served

Court monitoring offers local residents the opportunity to gain knowledge of the courts
make observations that are critical to improve the courts and ensure public confidence
court system.

We hope to see you on April 30:

Denise Kronstadt, Deputy Director/Director of Advocacy
The Fund for Modern Courts

Connie Lynch, Director of Court Monitoring
The Fund for Modern Courts

The Fund for Modern Courts is a non partisan not for profit organization established over
our mission is to ensure an independent, diverse and highly qualified judiciary and a co
equal access to justice for all New Yorkers.

For more information please call Connie Lynch, (914) 656-1680, Director of Court Monitoring
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A Guide to
**The New York State
Family Court**



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THE FUND FOR MODERN COURTS CASE MONITORING FORM

Please indicate which proceedings were included in the case observed (there is often more than one type of proceedings)

- Termination of Parental Rights
- Juvenile Delinquency
- Support
- Foster Care Review
- Neglect and Abuse
- Family Offense
- Persons in Need of Supervision
- Custody and Visitation
- Other _____

Please indicate (as best as possible) who appeared before the court on the proceedings

- Petitioner
- Respondent(s) Children Family members
- Attorney for Petitioner Attorney for Respondent(s)
- Law Guardian(s) (Lawyer for Children)
- Advocate for Domestic Violence Victim
- Government Officials
 - County Attorney Attorney for Department of Social Services
 - Department of Social Services Child Protective Services
 - Probation Foster care
- Other _____

Overall Courtroom Management/Professionalism	Notes	
	Yes	No
1. Judge waited for the parties and their attorneys to be seated before he/she began the case.	Yes	No
2. Judge had each party and their attorney(s), if any, provide their names and relationship to the case.	Yes	No
3. Judge began the proceedings by clearly reviewing a brief history of the case.	Yes	No
4. Judge began the proceedings by clearly presenting the specific issues before him/her on that day.	Yes	No
5. Judge fully explained the proceedings in an understandable manner.	Yes	No
6. Judge clearly read/explained the charges to the parties.	Yes	No
7. Judge spoke in "plain English" i.e. made the proceedings easy to follow while being thorough.	Yes	No
8. Judge informed parties of their right to an attorney and how to obtain assistance (limited cases).	Yes	No
9. Judge gave each party an opportunity to speak.	Yes	No
10. Judge asked each party if they had any questions.	Yes	No
11. Judge answered the questions presented by parties and/or attorney.	Yes	No















**State of New York
Office of the Attorney General**



**Tips For Protecting
Your PRIVACY**

**Don't Become A Victim
of IDENTITY THEFT**

ANDREW M. CUOMO
Attorney General







ROBS slate of candidates for the upcoming election

- President: Nick Siciliano
- First Vice President: Kathleen Guleksen
- Second Vice President: Hariet Pepine
- Secretary: Lucille Fink
- Treasurer: Marge Kirchner

Pictured below from L. to R.: Hariet Pepine, Kathleen Guleksen, Nick Siciliano



Pictured below from L. to R.: Harriet Pepine,
Kathleen Guleksen, Nick Siciliano



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Kathleen Guleksen, Nick Siciliano



Ruth McCalla
Program Chairperson

