

Judging and Teaching

Five judges currently presiding in the 13th Judicial Circuit taught their brethren at the 2013 Annual Education Program of the Florida Conference of Circuit Judges held Aug. 5-7 in Daytona Beach.

Judge Samantha Ward, who presides in a criminal division, spent a day as a panelist discussing the handling of capital cases, including a penalty phase refresher and jury selection.

Sean Cadigan, general magistrate and Elder Justice Center director, sat on a panel discussing guardianship, from incapacity to death.

Judge Ralph Stoddard, who serves in both dependency and delinquency divisions, discussed the Department of Juvenile Justice, offering a "Roadmap to Excellence," while Judge Emily Peacock, who serves in a juvenile dependency division, was a panelist providing a juvenile law update.

Judges Rex Barbas, who serves in juvenile delinquency, and Ashley Moody, who presides in a family division, were panelists discussing judicial ethics.