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Montgomery County Domestic Relations Court Teams Up with Domestic Relations Attorneys and the Volunteer Lawyer Project to Offer Free “Pro Se Workshops”

Dayton, Ohio (September 19, 2014) – The Montgomery County Domestic Relations Court is teaming up with Domestic Relations Attorneys and the Greater Dayton Volunteer Lawyers Project to offer free “Pro Se Workshops.”

An individual who meets the following criteria is eligible to consult with a volunteer attorney to answer questions at no cost:

- Filed pro se paperwork with the Montgomery County Domestic Relations Court
- Not represented by an attorney
- Meets certain income eligibility requirements

“Filing for divorce can be an overwhelming and emotional experience, particularly without the benefit of legal advice, but we want to ease some of that burden through these workshops,” said Judge Denise L. Cross. “With the help of our partners, individuals who meet the requirements can receive answers to legal questions at no cost to them.”

Workshops are held on the third Thursday of each month from 1:30 – 4:00 pm on the 2nd floor of the Montgomery County Domestic Relations Court, 301 W. Third Street, Dayton, Ohio.

The Greater Dayton Volunteer Lawyers Project (GDVLP) is responsible for scheduling participants for the workshops. Attorneys who practice in domestic relations matters are volunteering their time to answer questions for pro se litigants. To determine eligibility to participate in a workshop, call Legal Aid of Western Ohio at 1-888-534-1432, Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

The Domestic Relations Court is the division of the Common Pleas Court of Montgomery County, Ohio empowered by statute to hear all divorce, dissolution, legal separation, and annulment cases as well as civil domestic violence cases for residents of Montgomery County. In addition, the court maintains jurisdiction over post-decree matters such as child custody, child support, parenting time issues, spousal support, and other related matters.

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