

COLORADO BAR ASSOCIATION
Family Violence Program
Legal Representation for Domestic Violence Survivors Committee
Wednesday, May 14, 2008
Agenda

Terry Lopez, Managing Attorney of the Family and Children's Unit at Colorado Legal Services, is our guest speaker. She has asked staff attorneys Karen Hubler and Kim Quinn to attend the meeting and participate in the presentation.

Terry supervises the Unit that consists of five attorneys and two paralegals who serve battered women and men in the six metropolitan judicial districts in obtaining protection orders, parental responsibility actions (custody), and divorce. They represent indigent clients on a pro bono basis and receive client referrals from victim advocates in Denver, Jefferson, Adams, Broomfield, Arapahoe and Douglas/Elbert Counties. Terry's presentation will focus on information for victim advocates to help them with understanding the referral process and changes within the legal process. Her presentation will offer some best practice tips, and awareness of legal pitfalls that affect DV victims as they try to maneuver through the legal system to protect themselves and their children.

Terry has twenty years of experience in family law, real estate, criminal law and civil litigation in both state and federal court. She had a solo practice for 9 years, and worked for a 17th street law firm with 80 attorneys where she supervised the family law, real estate, and employment law departments for two years prior to coming to Colorado Legal Services.