October 24, 2019

PI WEEK - No Place to Call Home: Gentrification and Family Law in Philadelphia

Time: 12:00pm - 1:15pm EDT
Location: Gittis 213, Kushner Classroom

Student Group Sponsors: PHRP, CASAC

This panel will discuss an often-overlooked downstream effect of gentrification in Philadelphia. Gentrification contributes to the displacement of a disproportionate number of black and brown families and communities. Housing insecurity in any neighborhood hurts everyone, but it may hurt low-income families the most. During custody disputes, families grappling with unstable living situations may find that courts are all-too willing to hold their struggles to secure affordable housing against them. Topics will include the factors courts take into account when making custody determinations and how they can or should change, how gentrification contributes to fraying extended family support networks, policy proposals for sustainable community development, and ways in which law students and lawyers can help shape the discourse in this area.

Lunch will be served to those who RSVP before Monday October 14th.

This program has been approved for 1.0 substantive CLE credits for Pennsylvania lawyers. CLE credit may be available in other jurisdictions as well. Attendees seeking CLE credit should bring separate