

COMMON GROUND CONFERENCE AGENDA
Friday, October 14, 2011
Co-sponsored by the Center for Social Justice
Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Cleveland, OH

- 1:30 - 1:50 p.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks
- FTC Commissioner Edith Ramirez
 - Director David Vladeck, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC
- 1:50 - 2:50 p.m. Vulnerable Populations in Difficult Times: Fraud Relating to the Economic Downturn and Fraud Against Underserved Populations
Moderator: Lois Greisman, Associate Director, Division of Marketing Practices, FTC
- Francis Cintron, Spanish American Committee
 - Sandra Lynskey, Assistant Attorney General & Chief of the Consumer Protection Section, Ohio Attorney General's Office
 - Erin Pettegrew, Ombudsman Projects Coordinator, Ohio Department of Aging
 - Harold L. Williams, Managing Attorney, Consumer Law Unit, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland
- 2:50 - 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:00 - 3:50 p.m. Debt-Related Issues: Debt Collection, Debt Settlement, Debt Repair/Relief, and Payday Lending
Moderator: Larissa Bungo, Assistant Regional Director, East Central Region, FTC
- Linda Cook, Senior Attorney, Ohio Poverty Law Center
 - Professor Andrew Pollis, CWRU School of Law
 - Melissa Szozda, Assistant Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division, Ohio Attorney General's Office
 - Emily White, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland
- 3:50 - 4:40 p.m. Mortgage-Related Fraud: Foreclosure Rescue Scams, Loan Modification Fraud, and Rights of Tenants in Foreclosed Properties
Moderator: Maria Del Monaco, East Central Region, FTC
- Richard Alston, Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.
 - Carlie Boos, Legal Aid Society of Columbus and Southeastern Ohio Legal Services
 - Jeffrey Loeser, Assistant Attorney General, Consumer Protection Section, Ohio Attorney General's Office
 - Julie Robie, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland
- 4:40-5:00 p.m. Closing Remarks: Jon Miller Steiger, Regional Director, East Central Region, FTC