



## **Fair Housing and Reasonable Accommodations Training**

Presented by: Southeastern Ohio Legal Services and the City of Zanesville

**Monday, April 25, 2016**  
**Secret Auditorium, Lower Level**  
**334 Shinnick St, Zanesville, OH**  
**10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**(Registration opens at 9:00 a.m.)**

Registration Deadline: April 18, 2016 (Registration form attached.)

**(TRAINING IS FREE)**

We have applied for Ohio CLE and Counselor/Social Worker CEU credits for this training.

**Featured Presenters:**

**G. Michael Payton**

**Executive Director for the Ohio Civil Rights Commission**

Michael is the Executive Director for the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, the state law enforcement agency that administers the Ohio Civil Rights Act in the areas of employment, public accommodations, housing, credit and disabilities in higher education while conducting education and outreach. Michael oversees a statewide staff of 80 employees who investigate over 4,000 charges of discrimination annually.

**Ronnell Tomlinson**

**Director of Housing Enforcement & Alternative Dispute Resolution for the  
Ohio Civil Rights Commission**

Ronnell Tomlinson is the Director of Housing Enforcement & Alternative Dispute Resolution Mediation for the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, Central Office. He has worked for the Commission for more than 10 years and has also served as an Investigator and a Mediator. The primary function of The Ohio Civil Rights Commission is to enforce state laws against discrimination. OCRC receives and investigates charges of discrimination in employment, public accommodations, housing, credit and higher education on the bases of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, ancestry or familial status.

## Kevin Truitt, Esq.

### Disability Rights Ohio

Kevin Truitt is an attorney at Disability Rights Ohio, a non-profit organization and the protection and advocacy system for people with disabilities in Ohio. His areas of expertise include the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Fair Housing Act, and other federal and state laws protecting the rights of people with disabilities in various contexts, including housing, places of public accommodations, employment, government services and benefits, voting, and issues of community integration.

### AGENDA

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Registration

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. – Welcome and Introductions

10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Fair Housing Basics  
*Kristen Finzel Lewis, Southeastern Ohio Legal Services*

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Reasonable Accommodations, Modification, and Requests for Service/Companion/Assistance Animals  
*Ronnell Tomlinson, OCRC and Kevin Truitt, Disability Rights Ohio*

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch (On your own)

1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. – **Keynote Address**  
*G. Michael Payton, Executive Director of the Ohio Civil Rights Commission*

2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – Reporting Housing Discrimination: Understanding the Administrative Complaint Process through the Ohio Civil Rights Commission (OCRC) and the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
*Ronnell Tomlinson, OCRC*

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Break

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Ensuring Equal Housing Opportunities Today: A Community Panel Discussion  
*G. Michael Payton, Executive Director of the Ohio Civil Rights Commission*  
*Ronnell Tomlinson, OCRC*  
*Kevin Truitt, Disability Rights Ohio*  
*Dennis Harrington, Southeastern Ohio Legal Services*



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**REGISTRATION FORM**  
FAIR HOUSING and REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS TRAINING  
SECRET AUDITORIUM  
ZANESVILLE, OH  
APRIL 25, 2016

**Please submit Registration by April 18, 2016**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Accommodations necessary to attend training (Please note that the Secret Auditorium is an accessible facility.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Email, Fax, or Mail Registration to:**  
**Southeastern Ohio Legal Services**  
**Attn: Kristen Finzel Lewis**  
**332 West High Avenue**  
**New Philadelphia, OH 44663**  
**Fax: 330-339-6672**  
**Email: [klewis@oslsa.org](mailto:klewis@oslsa.org)**

If you have a specific question you would like addressed during this training, please provide your questions below and submit them with your registration. We will provide these to the presenters in advance of the presentation.

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