ARE OUR COMMUNITIES & SCHOOLS SAFER WITH OR WITHOUT GUNS?

CLEVELAND, OHIO - In light of the Parkland school shooting and other recent examples of school and community gun violence, the CMBA is exploring this issue from all sides at our upcoming Hot Talks live panel discussion on May 8. Audience participation is encouraged as a model for civil discourse in the community.

This hour-long discussion is free, open to the public. No RSVP required.

WHEN: Tuesday, May 8th from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m.
WHERE: CMBA Conference Center, 1375 E. 9th Street, 2nd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114

Watch LIVE on CMBA’s Facebook Page. | * ONE HOUR GENERAL CLE CREDIT *

Panelists:

Judge Joan Synenberg has been Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas bench for 9 years. Judge Synenberg also served as a Cleveland Municipal Court Judge for 2 years. In addition to her civil and criminal docket, Judge Synenberg presides over Recovery Court, a specialized docket supervising people with drug addiction and trauma. This dual diagnosis docket is the first of its kind in the State of Ohio and is certified by the Ohio Supreme Court.

Joel Chaney is a concealed carry (CCW) instructor and competitive shooter. He sits on the board of a local shooting range and is well versed in the gun laws of Ohio and teaches them in his CCW classes. A life member of the NRA, he has instructed children, ex-military, judges, attorneys, business owners/managers and school teachers in the proper use of guns.

Michael L. Walker is the Executive Director of the Partnership for a Safer Cleveland and project director of US Attorney’s STANCE Initiative. Mr. Walker lectures and trains both professionals and students throughout the country on issues related to the prevention and reduction of youth violence and gangs. His work in citizen participation for the City of Cleveland was a contributing factor in the City’s selection as an All-American City recipient three times for resident engagement in public and private ventures.

Craig Cobb Managing Attorney at Farmers Insurance Exchange will be the moderator

Topics Explored:

- Do guns make our communities safer or more at risk?
- Should teachers be armed as a protective measure?
- Are more gun control laws needed?
About Hot Talks
In accordance with the CMBA’s mission and vision, the Hot Talks series specifically addresses issues involving the legal system that are relevant to the community, co-presented by The Press Club of Cleveland. Learn more at CleMetroBar.org/HotTalks.

About the CMBA
The nonprofit Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association operates as a center for legal professionalism in the region, promoting the highest ethical and professional standards. Serving the largest legal community in the state, the CMBA has more than 5,200 members. Learn more at CleMetroBar.org.