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MEDIA ADVISORY

City Attorney Pfeiffer Hosting Seminar on ‘Bath Salts’ and other illicit drugs

Symposium open to Central Ohio law enforcement, prosecutors, and court personnel

COLUMBUS, OH—Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. is offering a free four-hour course on current drug trends, terminology and paraphernalia—including the growing awareness of synthetic drugs marketed as “bath salts” and “potpourri.” Other designer drugs that are likely to become more prevalent in the United States, such as krokodil (desomorphine) or “croc” for short, also will be addressed.

The seminar is approved by the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education, allowing attorneys who attend to receive credit for 3.50 hours of CLE instruction.

“While our office has been planning this seminar for quite some time, the level of awareness of illegal ‘bath salts’ certainly has grown along with the increased media coverage of the topic,” said City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. **“Unfortunately, there are many other highly dangerous drugs that may be creeping into Central Ohio as well.”**

The seminar is being coordinated by Anne Murray, director of the City Attorney’s Domestic Violence & Stalking Unit, and presented by Operation Street Safe (Lt. Shawn Bain, Sgt. Michael N. Powell, Lt. Steven Tucker, and Deputy Joseph M. Vince of the Franklin County Sheriff’s office).

Close to 90 government officials from local, county, and state jurisdictions are scheduled to attend.

WHO:

Prosecutors, advocates, judges, probation officers, law enforcement and other government officials

WHAT:

Bath Salts, Street Drugs & Other Things Prosecutors Need to Know

WHEN:

Friday, June 15, 2012 1:00-5:00 p.m.

WHERE:

373 S. High St. (1st floor auditorium)

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