



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Office of Justice Programs

OJP Advanced Webinar
Monday, June 15, 2020, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Criminal Vehicular Operation/Criminal Vehicular Homicide and Advanced Courtroom Topics/Trends

Kelly Nicholson

Victim Witness Supervisor, Dakota County Attorney's Office – Victim Witness Program

While we may not consider vehicles to be dangerous weapons, they can cause irreversible harm to victims of Criminal Vehicular Operation/Criminal Vehicular Homicide (CVO/CVH). This advanced webinar takes an in-depth look at the CVO/CVH and other injury statutes in Minnesota, as well as the concept of “gross negligence.” How are CVO/CVH cases different from other death and injury cases? This workshop will outline those dynamics to familiarize yourself with to best support the victims and survivors you assist, special issues to be alert and sensitive to, and resources available in the community. Advanced courtroom topics will also be discussed, as well as promising practices and solutions for mindful, responsive, and comprehensive services and support.



ABOUT THE PRESENTER

Kelly Nicholson has worked as an advocate in the criminal justice system since 1995. She began in the Anoka County Attorney's Office where she worked for 11 years working directly with victims of crime. Currently, she is the Supervisor of the Dakota County Attorney's Office - Victim Witness Program. In addition to providing direct services to victims, she has directed community education and outreach efforts, supervised a sexual assault volunteer program, and provided training on victim issues to law enforcement, criminal justice professionals, advocates, and community members. Kelly is also an Adjunct Instructor at Saint Mary's University in the Police Science Program. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology and Sociology, and a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice Administration.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

FOR QUESTIONS:

Joann M. Jones, Conference Director
Office of Justice Programs, 445 Minnesota Street, Suite 2300, St. Paul, MN 55101
joann.jones@state.mn.us