

**ABOUT SERVICES FOR
INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC.**

Services for Independent Living, Inc. (SIL) is a nonprofit, nonresidential center for independent living in Northeast Ohio advocating on behalf of and providing services to empower people with disabilities to lead self-directed and productive lives. Incorporated in 1980, SIL strives to promote access in the community and to ensure that individuals with disabilities are provided the same opportunities and choices as others. The goal is to ensure that people with disabilities have the same opportunities and choices available as others in areas such as public access, education, employment, transportation, housing and recreation. SIL is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year.

**ABOUT THE AMERICANS WITH
DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 (ADA)**

The ADA was signed into law on July 26, 1990 by President George H.W. Bush. This landmark legislation was designed to eliminate barriers that people with disabilities encounter in employment, state and local government programs and services, public accommodations, transportation and telecommunications.

This conference will reflect on the past, present and future of the ADA.

This is a fragrance-free conference.

This conference was financially assisted by the Ohio State Bar Foundation.

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26250 Euclid Avenue, Suite 801
Euclid, Ohio 44132

**THE AMERICANS
WITH
DISABILITIES
ACT (ADA) AT 25:
*The Past,
The Present &
The Future***



**OCTOBER 23, 2015
9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
Lunch Included**

**Corporate College East
4400 Richmond Road
Warrensville Hts., OH 44128**

SPEAKERS

ROBIN A. JONES, MPA

Robin Jones is the Director of the Great Lakes ADA Center and an Instructor at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She is recognized as a key resource regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and related laws.

Robin has extensive experience as a consultant and trainer regarding barriers to community participation for people with disabilities, including access to education, employment, electronic information and transportation. Robin has also been actively involved in assisting businesses, architects, government entities, educational institutions, and services providers to understand and meet their obligations under federal disability rights laws.

ROBERT "BOBBY" SILVERSTEIN, ESQ.

Bobby Silverstein, Director, Center for the Study and Advancement of Disability Policy, is a nationally-recognized attorney with over 40 years of public policy and advocacy experience. He previously served as staff director and chief counsel for the Senate Subcommittee on Disability Policy, chaired by Senator Tom Harkin. Bobby was a behind-the-scenes architect of more than 20 disability-related bills including the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA).

Bobby is a principal in the law firm of Powers Pyles Sutter & Verville, PC. He has a federal regulatory and legislative practice in the areas of civil rights, disability, education, employment, health care, rehabilitation and social security.

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. REGISTRATION

9:00 a.m.- 11:45 a.m.
THE ADA: BEST PRACTICES & PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS

Plenary Speaker & Panel Facilitator:

ROBIN A. JONES, Director, Great Lakes ADA Center

Panelists:

CHERYL MABRY-THOMAS, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Cleveland Field Office

LISA GOLD-SCOTT, City of Shaker Heights

KEVIN TRUITT, ESQ. Disability Rights Ohio

PETER BERG, Great Lakes ADA Center

MICHELLE HEYER, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Ohio

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
LUNCH, EXHIBIT HALL & NETWORKING

12:45 p.m.—1:00 p.m.
INCLUSION AWARD PRESENTATION

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
AN AFTERNOON SESSION WITH ROBERT "BOBBY" SILVERSTEIN

This exciting afternoon session will focus on three (3) areas:

- 1) The enactment of the ADA from an historical, political and policy perspective;
- 2) An overview of the Emerging Disability Policy Framework; and
- 3) Strategies on how to impact public policy affecting individuals with disabilities.

HOW TO REGISTER

COST: \$35/ person

A limited number of scholarships for individuals with disabilities are available.

Please submit completed registration and check or money order by **Thursday, October 15, 2015** to: Services for Independent Living Inc., 26250 Euclid Avenue, #801, Euclid, Ohio 44132, or via fax: (216) 731-3083.

Credit card payments can also be made electronically by visiting SIL's website: (www.sil-oh.org) and clicking on "Donations".

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Please check the following:

_____ Payment is enclosed.

_____ Payment will be made electronically.

_____ I am requesting Social Work CEUs (5.75 Social Work CEUs have been approved).

_____ I am requesting a scholarship.

Requests for accommodations must be made at least two weeks in advance. Please contact Laura Gold at lgold@sil-oh.org with questions.