

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §48-26-803

§48-26-803. Judicial education on domestic violence.

(a)(1) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection, as a part of existing training for court personnel, the Supreme Court of Appeals shall develop and present courses of continuing education concerning domestic violence for magistrates assistants, and juvenile and adult probation officers.

(2) Funding for the continuing education required under subdivision (1) of this section may not exceed the amounts allocated for that purpose by the Supreme Court of Appeals from existing appropriations. No provision of this section may be construed to require the Legislature to make any appropriation.

(b) The course of instruction shall be prepared and may be presented in consultation with public and private agencies that provide programs for victims of domestic violence and programs of intervention for perpetrators, advocates for victims, persons who have demonstrated expertise in training and education concerning domestic violence, organizations representing the interests of shelters and the family protection services board.