

# **Community Legal Aid**

A non-profit law firm serving the legal needs of low-income individuals and families in central northeast Ohio



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## **Management Team: John Petit**

John M. Petit is Managing Attorney for Community Legal Aid's housing and consumer programs. In this role, he oversees cases and legal projects related housing stability, foreclosures, evictions, preserving subsidies, discrimination and debtor defense, along with our bankruptcy practice. Previously, John managed the family law team and supervised the HelpLine attorney staff.

Before serving in this role, John spent two years with the Jesuits in Cleveland and Detroit, combining spirituality and practice in serving at homeless shelter legal clinics and a law-on-wheels outreach program in urban communities.

John has a background in both public and private practice, focusing on civil and criminal litigation as well as on supervision of attorneys and staff within child support agencies.

Outside of his role at Legal Aid, John and his wife Jamey reside in Canton with three rescued dogs (two greyhounds and a rottweiler) and are avid Cleveland sports fans.

John earned his juris doctorate from Case Western Reserve in 1994 and his bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice/Political Science from the University of Akron in 1990.

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