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Conference Schedule

7:30 a.m.	Registration, Breakfast, and Exhibit Hall Open	12:05 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Annual Meeting Luncheon Keynote Speaker Aaron Keller, Law & Crime Network, Abrams Media, New York, NY Recognition of judges taking senior or referee status Installation of 2018-2019 CBA Officers
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Law School Alumni Breakfast Receptions Quinnipiac University School of Law UConn School of Law Western New England University School of Law Pre-function Area	1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Break
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Session A Seminars	1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Session C Seminars
10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.	Break	2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Break
10:50 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	Session B Seminars	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Session D Seminars
11:50 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.	Break	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	President's Reception in Honor of Connecticut's New Judges Sponsored by Murtha Cullina LLP and Shapiro Law Offices LLC

2018-2019 CBA Officers

The installation of the CBA's incoming officers will occur at the Annual Meeting Luncheon. These officers will lead the CBA for the next bar year, beginning July, 1, 2018.



President

Jonathan M. Shapiro will be installed as the 95th president of the CBA. Attorney Shapiro is a partner at Shapiro Law Offices LLC in Middletown

where he practices in corporate transactions, employment matters, and complex commercial and general litigation, as well as in arbitrations and mediations.



President-elect

Ndidi N. Moses will be installed as president-elect. Attorney Moses is an assistant United States attorney. She is also the civil rights coordinator

for the civil division at the United States Attorney's Office in New Haven, where she coordinates and prosecutes the division's civil rights cases.



Vice President

Amy Lin Meyerson will be installed as vice president. Attorney Meyerson is a sole practitioner at her firm The Law Office of Amy Lin Meyerson in Weston. She

practices in the area of domestic corporate law, concentrating in formation and growth of emerging businesses, mergers and acquisitions, executive compensation, corporate finance, intellectual property protection and development, computer law, and venture capital.



Secretary

Dahlia Grace will be installed as secretary. Attorney Grace is a managing attorney with Connecticut Legal Services Inc. at the organization's

Stamford office. She represents victims of domestic violence in family matters.



Treasurer

Vincent P. Pace will continue serving as treasurer. Attorney Pace is the associate general counsel at Eversource Energy. His practice

focuses on electricity and natural gas transactions, regulatory compliance, and administrative law.



Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Aidan R. Welsh will be installed as assistant secretary-treasurer. Attorney Welsh is partner at Schoonmaker George

Colin & Blomberg PC in Greenwich, where she handles complex divorce and family law actions involving significant assets and client custody issues.



Immediate Past President

Karen DeMeola is the assistant dean for enrollment and students for the University of Connecticut School of Law.

In addition, Dean DeMeola implements and manages diversity programming as well as professional and community development activities for students. Prior to her role as assistant dean for enrollment and students, she was a civil rights litigator in her solo practice.

LegalTech/Law Practice Management Training

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Barron Henley

Affinity Consulting Group LLC
Columbus, OH





Attorney Henley has 15 years of experience in legal technology and speaks frequently at state and local bar associations throughout the United States as well as the annual ABA Tech Show.

He works with law firms on technology management, including but not limited to technology audits, strategic business and management assessments, technology selection and implementations, and traditional cloud-based financial practice management.









- A11 Mastering Word for the Law Office**
- B11 Office 365 in a Law Firm**
- C12 60 Legal Tech Tips, Tricks, Gadgets, and Websites in 60 Minutes**
- D11 Productivity Tools: Practice Management Software and Outlook**

CLE Seminars At-A-Glance

Tracks		Session A (120 minutes) 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Session B (60 minutes) 10:50 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	Session C (60 minutes) 1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Session D (120 minutes) 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
The President's Track		A01 What Is Blockchain, and Why Should I Care?	B01 Connecticut's Leadership Role in Eradicating Human Trafficking	C01 Cybersecurity: Tips and Best Practices for Lawyers	D01 Getting to Well: The Professional Imperative for Lawyer Well-Being
	Business Law Track	A02 Everything You Wanted to Know about Trade Secrets but Were Afraid to Ask	B02 Choice of Entity in Light of 2017 Tax Law Changes	C02 A Practical Look at Directors and Officers Insurance	D02 Commercial Law and Bankruptcy: Year in Review
Diversity and Inclusion Track		A03 Why "One Size Fits All" Efforts Fail: Tackling the Biases That Still Frustrate Meaningful Racial and Ethnic Diversity and Inclusion		C03 Access to Justice: Confessions, Ethics, and High Publicity in <i>Making a Murderer</i> with Aaron Keller	
	Estates and Probate/ Elder Law/Tax Law Track	A04 Estate Planning for IRAs and Qualified Retirement Accounts/The New Tax Law	B03 Estate Planning for Actors and Athletes	C04 Estate and Trust Planning for Beneficiaries with Opioid Addictions	D03 How to Build an Elder Law Practice
Ethics Track	 Ethics	A05 Shifting Landscapes: Adapting Your Firm to Emerging Threats	B04 Ethics: The Year in Review	C05 The Ethical Duty of Technology Competence: What It Means to Your Practice	D04 Shifting Landscapes: Adapting Your Firm to Emerging Threats
Family Law Track		A06 Here Comes the Taxman: What Family Lawyers Need to Know about the Changes in Tax Law	B05 Emerging Family Law Issues and Trends	C06 Exacting Evidence: How to Get It in and How to Keep It Out	D05 Annual Review of Developments in Family Law
Hot Topics Track			B06 Mindfulness for Lawyers	C07 Animal Law: Habeas Corpus and Nonhuman Rights	D06 Intellectual Property in the Cannabis Industry

Legal Entrepreneur Track 	A07 The Legal Entrepreneur	B07 Affordable Technology for Small Firm Productivity	C08 Casemaker: Beyond the Basics	D07 Managing a Solo and Small Firm Practice: Business and Ethical Issues
	A08 The Fearless Cross-Examiner: Win the Witness, Win the Case	B08 Pro Bono Appointments in Federal Court: Tips from the Trenches, Part 1	C09 Pro Bono Appointments in Federal Court: Tips from the Trenches, Part 2	D08 Annual Review of Appellate Cases
Litigation and Advocacy Track	A09 AirBnB Law: The Implications of Short-Term Rentals for Property Owners and Municipalities	B09 Real Property Case Law and Legislation: Year in Review	C10 Ethics and Environmental Practice	D09 Construction Law Year in Review
	A10 Current Issues in the Workers' Compensation System	B10 A "Frolic and Detour" in Workers' Compensation Case Law	C11 Annual Update on Administrative Law Practice and Legislation	D10 Workplace Absence: How to Avoid Pitfalls Caused by the Interplay of Disability, Medical Leave, and Workers' Compensation Law
The Workplace Track	A11 Mastering Word for the Law Office	B11 Office 365 in a Law Firm	C12 60 Legal Tech Tips, Tricks, Gadgets, and Websites in 60 Minutes	D11 Productivity Tools: Practice Management Software and Outlook
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CLE Seminar Information

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Session A — 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

The President's Track

A01 What Is Blockchain, and Why Should I Care?



Dena M. Castricone



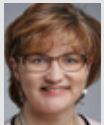
Scott L. Kaufman



Jonathan M. Shapiro



Peter Van Valkenburgh



Suzanne Brown Walsh

Blockchain is more than a buzzword: it's transformational technology that will change many, if not most, law practices, government functions, and industries within the next decade. Hear a leading expert, Peter Van Valkenburgh of Coin Center,

demystify the concept of a blockchain and explain it in plain English. Our local panelists will then describe how you may soon see this technology used in securities, health care, and wealth management industries and practices.

You Will Learn

- What blockchains are, how they work, and when it makes sense to use them
- What an ICO is, why it is used, and when it is a security
- How blockchain technology will be used in the health care industry
- How to address virtual currency in tax, estate, and wealth management planning

Moderator

Jonathan M. Shapiro, Shapiro Law Offices LLC, Middletown

Speakers

Dena M. Castricone, Murtha Cullina LLP, Hartford

Scott L. Kaufman, Sullivan & Worcester LLP, New York City, NY

Peter Van Valkenburgh, Coin Center, Washington, DC

Suzanne Brown Walsh, Murtha Cullina LLP, Hartford

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Business Law Track

A02 Everything You Wanted to Know about Trade Secrets but Were Afraid to Ask

Intellectual Property Section

Trade secret law is an important but often unrecognized component of intellectual property. Likewise, trade secrets are an exceedingly important but often overlooked part of a company's intellectual property portfolio. A recent US International Trade Commission survey found that 56 percent of over 7,000 internationally engaged businesses considered trade secrets "very important" to their businesses, as opposed to 48 percent for trademarks and, 37 percent and 31 percent for patents and copyrights, respectively. PwC and Create.org recently released a report that estimated that trade secret theft amounted to a one to three percent loss in national GDP. While trade secret law has existed for decades as a matter of state law, Congress enacted the Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 (DTSA), which has the potential to revolutionize the law and practice of trade secret litigation by, among other things, providing for a federal cause of action for the theft or misappropriation of a trade secret.

You Will Learn

- The nuts and bolts of the law and practice of trade secret law, including Connecticut law and the Uniform Trade Secrets Act
- How trade secret law impacts other practice areas, including employment, civil procedure, bankruptcy, and commercial law
- About the new federal law of trade secrets created by the DTSA, including whistleblower protection, the new federal cause of action, and the provisions for ex parte seizure of goods that violate trade secrets of American companies

Moderators

Daniel R. Cooper, Cooper & Kurz, Stamford

Melissa A. Tharp, Bridgeport

Speakers

Alan Harrison, Otterstedt Ellenbogen & Kammer LLP, Stamford

James R. Nault, Robinson+Cole, Hartford

John M. Tanski, Axinn Veltrop & Harkrider LLP, Hartford

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 1.5 General, 0.5 Ethics; NY: 1.5 AOP, .05 Ethics)

Diversity and Inclusion Track

A03 Why "One Size Fits All" Efforts Fail: Tackling the Biases That Still Frustrate Meaningful Racial and Ethnic Diversity and Inclusion

Diversity and Inclusion Committee



Justice Maria A. Kahn



Karen DeMeola



Fred Lee



James G. Leipold



Michelle L. Querijero



Asker A. Saeed



Neeta M. Vatti

Despite the countless efforts, new initiatives, and significant energy focused on achieving meaningful racial and ethnic diversity and inclusion within our profession, there is still much progress to be made. As we obtain and study available data on our profession, particularly in the areas of retention, mentorship, professional development, and advancement to leadership, we have come to understand that racially and ethnically diverse individuals face different challenges in the legal profession. These differing challenges are often the manifestation of stereotypes and biases about people of a certain race or ethnic background. While those biases may be implicitly held, they are explicitly felt by those who experience them as barriers to growth and success in the law.

This program will be focused on strategies for achieving meaningful racial and ethnic diversity and inclusion within your organization, as we move beyond overarching discussions of implicit bias towards a more specific understanding of the challenges facing different racial and ethnic groups within our profession.

You Will Learn

- Prevailing racial and ethnic stereotypes and biases within a historical and cultural context
- How stereotypes and biases operate to keep racially and ethnically diverse individuals from succeeding in our profession
- Effective strategies for disrupting those hindrances to your organizational commitment to diversity and inclusion

Moderators

Michelle L. Querijero, Allied World Insurance Company, Farmington

Neeta M. Vatti, Quinnipiac University School of Law, Hamden

New York CLE Credit Categories Key

AOP: Areas of Professional Practice

D&I: Diversity, Inclusion, and Elimination of Bias

Ethics: Ethics and Professionalism

LPM: Law Practice Management

Skills: Skills

Speakers

Justice Maria A. Kahn, Connecticut Supreme Court, Hartford
Karen DeMeola, UConn School of Law, Hartford
Fred Lee, UConn, Storrs
James G. Leipold, National Association for Law Placement, Washington, DC
Asker A. Saeed, Fried Frank Harris Shriver & Jacobson LLP, New York, NY
2.0 CLE Credit (CT: 2.0 Ethics; NY: 2.0 D&I)

Estates and Probate/Elder Law/ Tax Law Track

A04 Estate Planning for IRAs and Qualified Retirement Accounts/ The New Tax Law

Tax Section

This seminar will cover the following topics:

Part 1 — Learn about the taxation of inherited benefits and how to structure payments from qualified retirement plans and IRAs to mitigate and defer income taxes, including the proper naming of beneficiaries. The seminar will provide guidance on trust drafting, including the requirements for a trust that is named as a beneficiary to qualify as either a conduit or an accumulation trust. In addition to covering tax issues surrounding naming beneficiaries for IRAs and qualified retirement accounts, the program will also discuss the asset protection benefits of 401(k)s and IRAs.

Part 2 — Learn about the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (Pub. L. No. 115-97, enacted Dec. 22, 2017). Get updates on the taxation of pass-through entities and the 20 percent deduction; changes to corporate and business taxes, including expensing and accelerated depreciation; the new limitations on interest deductibility; income tax and deduction changes; estate and gift tax changes; and changes to the taxation of employee compensation and benefits. There will also be a brief discussion of Connecticut's response to the tax changes.

You Will Learn

- About the taxation of inheriting IRA and qualified plan benefits, and how to properly name beneficiaries
- Provisions for conduit and accumulation trusts
- How to use IRAs and 401(k)s as asset protection vehicles
- About the taxation of pass-through Entities and the new 20 percent deduction
- About changes to corporate and business taxes, including expensing and accelerated depreciation as well as the new limitations on interest deductibility
- About changes in estate and gift taxation
- Connecticut's response to the tax changes

Speakers

Matthew A. Bovino, Davidson Dawson & Clark LLP, New Canaan
Christine M. Brew, Cohen and Wolf PC, Westport
Aaron T. Kriss, Day Pitney LLP, New Haven
Luke T. Tashjian, Whitman Breed Abbott & Morgan LLC, Greenwich
2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Ethics Track

A05 Shifting Landscapes: Adapting Your Firm to Emerging Threats



Insurance Programs for the Bar Committee

This program will focus on providing valuable instruction, practical guides, checklists, risk control, and recommendations to help lawyers safely navigate today's complex legal environment and assist them in minimizing professional liability risk. Topics include identifying risk in business transactions, civil litigation, emerging technology, practice errors, and complying with ethical and professional obligations.

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Speakers

Stephen J. Conover, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford
Brendon P. Levesque, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford
2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 Ethics; NY: 2.0 Ethics)

Family Law Track

A06 Here Comes the Taxman: What Family Lawyers Need to Know about the Changes in Tax Law

Family Law Section

This critical seminar will discuss what changes to the tax code will affect family lawyers in 2018 and beyond.

You Will Learn

- What provisions of the tax code matter to the field of family law
- How to protect clients in light of the new changes, including in the areas of alimony and property division
- Tips and considerations for addressing modifications of past orders

Speakers

Janet A. Battey, Ferro & Battey LLC, Darien
Barry A. Fishman, Marcum LLP, New Haven
Mark I. Harrison, Marcum LLP, New Haven
2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Legal Entrepreneur Track

A07 The Legal Entrepreneur

Young Lawyers Section

Learn from seasoned solo and small firm owners about how to successfully launch and grow your own practice. The program will include a Q&A session to make this an interactive learning experience for attendees.

You Will Learn

- Survival tips for starting your own firm
- New methods for finding and signing new clients
- Strategies and tools to effectively market your firm

Moderator

Joshua Devine, UnitedHealth Group, Hartford
Speakers
Renee C. Bauer, Bauer Law Group LLC, Hamden
Lucas Hernandez, Law Offices of Lucas Hernandez, Westport
Chris R. Nelson, Nelson | Votto, New Haven
Kristen Wolf, Wolf & Shore LLC, Hamden
2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 LPM)

Litigation and Advocacy Track

A08 The Fearless Cross-Examiner: Win the Witness, Win the Case

Litigation Section



**Patrick
Malone**

**James F.
Sullivan**

Learn a new and improved approach to cross examining witnesses, and about the shortcomings of older, more established methods. Patrick Malone is a nationally

known trial lawyer from Washington, DC who has won many multi-million dollar verdicts on behalf of his clients, and is the author of several well-known books on trial practice. The first 25 registrants for this seminar receive a copy of his most recent book *The Fearless Cross-Examiner: Win the Witness, Win the Case*.

Moderator

James F. Sullivan, Howard Kohn Sprague & Fitzgerald LLP, Hartford

Speaker

Patrick Malone, Patrick Malone & Associates, Washington, DC
2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 Skills)

Real Property Track

A09 AirBnB Law: The Implications of Short-Term Rentals for Property Owners and Municipalities

Planning and Zoning Section and Real Property Section

This presentation will address how property owners, developers, land use and real estate attorneys, and municipalities should address existing regulations pertaining to short term rentals. Learn about what municipalities across the country are doing to deal with issues that arise for municipalities from the ever expanding short term rental market.

Moderators

Brian S. Cantor, Law Office of Brian S. Cantor, Fairfield

Mario F. Coppola, Berchem Moses PC, Westport

Speakers

Jacqueline O. Kaufman, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford
Jason A. Klein, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford
2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

The Workplace Track

A10 Current Issues in the Workers' Compensation System

Workers' Compensation Section

Learn about the last year in workers' compensation law and legislation. Hear from the agency chairman about current issues facing the workers' compensation system. Get an overview of the biopsychosocial model for treating pain which, according to recent research, can lead to decreased healthcare costs and provide physicians with additional treatment interventions that may or may not include opioids.

You Will Learn

- The latest workers' compensation case law from decisions rendered by the Compensation Review Board and Connecticut courts
- About recent legislative developments
- About issues of interest from the perspective of the chairman
- About the "biopsychosocial model" of care
- How Colorado ensured a biopsychosocial approach was followed in the state worker's compensation system, and estimated cost-savings

Moderator

Francis "Bud" X. Drapeau, Leighton Katz & Drapeau, Vernon

Speakers

Commissioner Stephen M. Morelli, Chairman, State of Connecticut Workers' Compensation Commission, Hartford

Traci Cipriano, Traci Cipriano, JD, PhD LLC; Yale School of Medicine, New Haven

John P. Clarkson, Law Offices of Cynthia M. Garraty, Hartford

Lucas D. Strunk, Strunk Dodge Aiken Zovas LLC, Rocky Hill

2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

LegalTech/Law Practice Management Track

A11 Mastering Word for the Law Office

For most lawyers, Microsoft Word is the primary tool we use to produce work products. Yet, it so often seems to be working against us and a source of frustration. If you want to master Word, there are techniques you must learn and rules to follow, but none of them are ascertainable by simply using Word. This seminar will teach you exactly how to fix the common legal drafting problems plaguing you now and avoid them in the future. It's time to end your abusive relationship with Microsoft Word.

You Will Learn

- Techniques and rules to master Microsoft Word
- How to fix common legal drafting problems

Speaker

Barron Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, Columbus, OH

2.0 CLE Credits: (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 LPM)

Session B—10:50 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

The President's Track

B01 Connecticut's Leadership Role in Eradicating Human Trafficking

Special Committee on Sex Trafficking of Children

Learn about the epidemic of human sexual trafficking of minors in Connecticut. Get updates on legislation proposed by Senator Richard Blumenthal to amend the Communication Decency Act to permit civil suits and criminal prosecutions for internet sites knowingly facilitating trafficking. Hear about ongoing litigation against a motel corporation that has been identified in national news as the site of a young girl being trafficked for months without intervention.

Moderator

Richard T. Meehan, Jr., Meehan Law LLC, Bridgeport

Speakers

Cindy L. Robinson, Tremont Sheldon Robinson Mahoney PC, Bridgeport

Yvette Young, The Village for Families & Children Inc., Hartford

1.0 CLE Credit: (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

Business Law Track

B02 Choice of Entity in Light of 2017 Tax Law Changes

Business Law Section

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1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

Estates and Probate/Elder Law/Tax Law Track

B03 Estate Planning for Actors and Athletes

Estates and Probate Section and Sports and Entertainment Law Section



Hal Biagas



Heather J. Lange



Katie Tolson



Donald P. Tutson, Jr.

We know our favorite athletes, artists, and entertainers through their work on the field, on the radio, and on our screens. But on those shocking occasions when death, disability, and taxes crash down on our heroes, we often see that they failed to plan for these

universally human realities. A panel of sports and entertainment service professionals will provide an insider's view of these estate planning challenges. Learn solutions that will help you craft sound estate plans for your high profile and high net worth clients.

You Will Learn

- What a comprehensive client intake and assessment form should look like in order for you to decipher and process professional sports, entertainment, and art industry specific estate planning considerations
- How to identify unique elements of the planning process and communicate efficiently with fellow financial and tax professionals
- How to spot and address commonly overlooked trust, tax, insurance, intellectual property, and family/beneficiary issues that are often overlooked given the youth, wealth, and fame associated with many of these clients

Moderator

Donald P. Tutson, Jr., Law Office of Donald P. Tutson, Jr., Stamford

Speakers

Hal Biagas, Sideline Sports Management, New York, NY

Heather J. Lange, Brody Wilkinson PC, Southport

Katie Tolson, Director of Trusts and Estates, Bonhams

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

Ethics Track

B04 Ethics: The Year in Review

Standing Committee on Professional Ethics



This program will address frequently asked questions and issues about the disciplinary process and will provide a review of the most recent opinions from the CBA Professional Ethics Committee, the Statewide Grievance Committee, and the courts, as well as a review of any proposed rules changes.

You Will Learn

- About recent CBA and ABA opinions, with a focus ethics opinions addressing confidentiality provisions in settlement agreements
- About recent Statewide Grievance Committee decisions
- About recent decisions from the courts interpreting attorney ethical rules

Moderator

Deborah Del Prete Sullivan, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford

Speakers

Stephen J. Conover, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford

Patricia King, Geraghty & Bonnano LLC, New London

Brendan P. Levesque, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford

Marcy T. Stovall, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 Ethics; NY: 1.0 Ethics)

Family Law Track

B05 Emerging Family Law Issues and Trends

Family Law Section

Get updates on local and national family law issues and trends in divorce and family law, including support, parenting, custody, alternative approaches and processes, and proposed legislation. Learn about the possible impact of these trends on Connecticut jurisprudence. The developing issues discussed will include the tension between freedom of religion, parental autonomy, and the best interests of the child; creating a presumption of joint or equal custody; trends regarding the treatment of retirement benefits funded and/or received in lieu of social security; and a review of national trends pertaining to dissolution of long-term marriages, "gray" divorce, and related issues.

In addition, this program will review pending Connecticut House and Senate bills that relate to family law, highlight the trends that this pending legislation seeks to address, and discuss potential effects of this legislation on marital and family law practitioners and the families they serve.

You Will Learn

- How the legislative session impacts marital and family law practitioners
- How courts in Connecticut and other states strike the balance between a parent's right to freedom of religion with children's best interests
- About the establishment of a presumption of joint or equal custody
- About treatment of social security alternatives benefits in dissolution cases in Connecticut and other jurisdictions

Speakers

Seth J. Conant, Freed Marcroft LLC, Hartford

Meghan Freed, Freed Marcroft LLC, Hartford

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

Hot Topics Track

B06 Mindfulness for Lawyers

Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being

Mindfulness. It's the latest buzzword in business. It's being taught at Harvard and Wharton. It's talked about at prestigious leadership conferences. It's practiced at Google, Apple, and Aetna. Science shows that it reduces stress, enhances wellness, increases productivity, and significantly improves the bottom line.

You Will Learn

- About the science behind mindfulness and its effects
- About mindfulness techniques you can use
- About how you can use mindfulness practice to improve your abilities and effectiveness as an attorney

Speaker

Walt Hampton, Summit Success LLC, Canton

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 Ethics; NY: 1.0 LPM)

Legal Entrepreneur Track

B07 Affordable Technology for Small Firm Productivity

Task Force on Technology and Business Model Changes



Heidi S. Alexander

Whether you're just starting out or have been running a small firm for years, it pays to be cost-conscious about your technology choices. In this session, you'll learn how to build a technologically-savvy small law firm, with affordable tools for practice management, legal research, client collaboration and billing, and tips on how to capture and use firm data to make your practice more successful.

You Will Learn

- About affordable law practice management, client collaboration, billing, and legal research tools
- How to capture your data to better understand and enhance the productivity and profitability of your practice

Speaker

Heidi S. Alexander, Massachusetts Law Office Management Assistance Program, Boston, MA
1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 LPM)

Litigation and Advocacy Track

B08 Pro Bono Appointments in Federal Court: Tips from the Trenches, Part 1

Federal Practice Section

A significant proportion of cases in our federal court involve self-represented parties, many of whom are incarcerated. To ensure that such litigants receive appropriate representation, the court has recently amended Local Rule 83.10 to encourage more lawyers to accept pro bono appointments. In this program, a panel of federal judges and practitioners will review the local rule, discuss reasons why you should volunteer to accept a pro bono appointment in Connecticut's US District Court, and offer practical advice for handling these cases.

You Will Learn

- What substantive law applies to claims by prisoners, and where to find more training and education on the law
- Procedural tips and tricks applicable to prisoner cases, including how to arrange to visit your incarcerated client and how to make sure your client appears for court proceedings
- Approaches to settlement in prisoner cases

Moderators

Jonathan B. Orleans, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

Kristen L. Zaehringer, Murtha Cullina LLP, Stamford

Speakers

Hon. Donna F. Martinez, United States Magistrate Judge, District of Connecticut, Hartford

Hon. Michael P. Shea, United States District Judge, District of Connecticut, Hartford

Sean M. Fisher, Brenner Saltzman & Wallman LLP, New Haven

Antonio Ponvert III, Koskof Koskoff & Bieder PC, Bridgeport

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 Skills)

Real Property Track

B09 Real Property Case Law and Legislation: Year in Review

Real Property Section

Participants will be provided with a review and analysis of recent cases of interest to real property practitioners as well as the bills that have recently passed in the legislative session, and a review of those bills that may not have passed but bear watching.

You Will Learn

- About the important cases and statutes affecting conveyancing in Connecticut
- About the important cases of 2016–2017
- About important statute changes in the 2017 legislative session

Moderator

Matthew J. Cholewa, Hunt Leibert Jacobson PC, Hartford

Speakers

Elton B. Harvey III, IssacMaki LLC, Farmington

Eugene Marconi, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services New England Properties, Wallingford

Gregory P. Muccilli, Shipman & Goodwin LLP, New Haven

Valerie Votto, Valerie Ann Votto LLC, Old Lyme
1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

The Workplace Track

B10 A "Frolic and Detour" in Workers' Compensation Case Law

Workers' Compensation Section and Young Lawyers Section

With our busy practices it can be difficult to find time to dig into some of the murkier issues which present themselves time and time again in workers' compensation law. We will examine some of the seminal cases that have created the current legal landscape when it comes to these issues, and review some of the more recent Compensation Review Board (CRB) applications that impact claimants and respondents alike. We will focus on the critical importance of a comprehensive intake and case analysis process that will help to identify legal issues at the outset, as well as set reasonable expectations for the client. We will also discuss the benefits of being well-versed on these issues when it comes to answering client questions and meeting with potential clients.

You Will Learn

- How to critically analyze often litigated issues in workers' compensation law, which will enable attendees to better advocate for their clients
- How to apply appellate case law and more recent CRB decisions to common workers' compensation law issues
- The importance of having baseline

knowledge of seminal workers' compensation cases and their progeny when performing initial case analysis, client intakes, and answering general questions for existing or prospective clients

Moderator

Francis "Bud" X. Drapeau, Leighton Katz & Drapeau, Vernon

Speakers

Michael R. Kerin, Kerin Law Offices PC, Milford

George F. O'Donnell, McGann Bartlett & Brown LLC, East Hartford

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

Legal Tech/Law Practice Management Track

B11 Office 365 in a Law Firm

Microsoft offers a compelling combination of local software, document/email management, and cloud services called Office 365. Explore the benefits of Office 365.

You Will Learn

- The benefits of Office 365
- How the program works, what it does best, and the different packages available
- How Office 365 is expanding into the legal market

Speaker

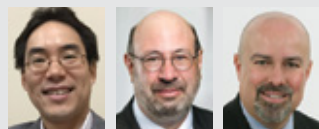
Barron Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, Columbus, OH

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 LPM)

Session C—1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

The President's Track

C01 Cybersecurity: Tips and Best Practices for Lawyers



Edward Chang

Jed Davis

Stephen Reynolds

Cyber incidents and data breaches are increasing in frequency and magnitude. Learn how to protect your firm and your clients. This panel of cybersecurity experts from the United States Department of Justice, the private sector, and private practice will discuss the current cyber threat landscape; best practices for minimizing cyber risk, managing incident response, and remediating data breaches; and tips for navigating the various legal, business, reputational, and other practical concerns that can arise following a significant cyber incident.

You Will Learn

- The latest threats and trends in cybersecurity and cybercrime
- Best practices for lawyers to prepare for, respond to, and remediate a cyber incident impacting your firm and/or your clients

- How victims can work with law enforcement to navigate business interruption, privilege, regulatory, reputational, and other concerns

Moderator

Stephen B. Reynolds, United States Department of Justice, Bridgeport

Speakers

Edward Chang, Travelers Insurance, Hartford

Jed Davis, Day Pitney LLP, New York, NY

Vanessa Richards, Assistant US Attorney, District of Connecticut, Bridgeport
1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 LPM)

Business Law Track

C02 A Practical Look at Directors and Officers Insurance

Insurance Law Section

This presentation will explore an important part of any corporate insurance program, Directors & Officers (D&O) insurance. This discussion of D&O coverage will be done in the context of a sample insurance claim involving many of the issues that can arise under a D&O policy.

You Will Learn

- The basic coverages under a D&O policy
- The common exclusions in a D&O policy
- What to expect from an insurer when a business has a D&O claim

Speakers

John C. Pitblado, Carlton Fields Jordan Burt PA, Hartford

Ryan M. Suerth, Murtha Cullina LLP, Hartford

Douglas S. Worth, Willis Towers Watson, Hartford

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 AOP)

Diversity and Inclusion Track

C03 Access to Justice: Confessions, Ethics, and High Publicity in Making a Murderer

Diversity and Inclusion Committee



Aaron Keller

The hit Netflix docuseries *Making a Murderer* introduced millions to the prosecutions of Steven Avery and Brendan Dassey. Both were charged, tried, and convicted of killing freelance photographer Teresa Halbach in northeastern Wisconsin in 2005. Aaron Keller, a journalist who covered the cases, is now a Connecticut attorney. Keller analyzes the case from the legal perspective of someone who was there to witness the events first-hand.

You Will Learn

- How attorneys struggled with—and sometimes exploited—professional conduct scenarios (The review will include a comparison of state rules)
- How the questionable confession of an intellectually-challenged minor was sold to the public as foolproof, and how the appeals courts have struggled to interpret it
- How Wisconsin law led to the introduction

of evidence that in other states would never have made it before the jury

- How publicity impacted the cases, and what can (and cannot) be done to remedy it

Speaker

Aaron Keller, Law & Crime Network, Abrams Media, New York, NY

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 Ethics; NY: 1.0 D&I)

Estates and Probate/Elder Law/Tax Law Track

C04 Estate and Trust Planning for Beneficiaries with Opioid Addictions

Estates and Probate Section

The opioid crisis in the United States presents a growing challenge for estate planners. This program will consider options for clients who may have beneficiaries with an opioid addiction, including particular provisions for inclusion in wills and trusts; the probate court's potential role in supervising opioid addicted beneficiaries; and trust planning.

Speakers

Hon. Beverly K. Streit-Kefalas, Milford-Orange Probate Court, Milford

Douglas R. Brown, Brody Wilkinson PC, Southport

Suzanne Ducate, Psychiatrist, Wethersfield

Carmine P. Perri, Czepiga Daly Pope & Perri, Simsbury

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: Skills 1.0)

Ethics Track

C05 The Ethical Duty of Technology Competence: What It Means to Your Practice

Task Force on Technology and Business Model Changes



In 2012, the ABA formally approved a change to the Model Rules of Professional Conduct to make clear that lawyers have a duty to be competent not only in the law and its practice, but also in technology. Since then, 31 states have adopted the duty of technology competence. But what does this mean in practice? What does the duty require of lawyers and what obligations to clients does it create?

In this program, we will review the origins of the duty, discuss how it has been applied by courts and ethics panels, and offer guidance on what it means for lawyers, law firms, and clients.

You Will Learn

- The meaning and scope of the duty of technology competence
- About cases and ethics opinions interpreting the scope and application of the duty
- How to comply with the duty in your own practice
- Practical tips on becoming and remaining technologically competent

Speaker

Robert J. Ambrogi, Law Office of Robert J. Ambrogi, Rockport, MA

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 Ethics; NY: 1.0 Ethics)

Family Law Track

C06 Exacting Evidence: How to Get It in and How to Keep It Out

Family Law Section

This lively seminar will feature two nationally-recognized experts in the field of family law, tackling challenging and commonly misunderstood evidentiary issues.

You Will Learn

- How to address complicated evidentiary issues such as the admissibility of DCF records and statements by children
- The difference between impeachment and refreshing a recollection
- Tips for admitting (or keeping out) electronically stored evidence

Speakers

Hon. Thomas D. Colin (Ret.), Schoonmaker George Colin & Blomberg PC, Old Greenwich
Gaetano Ferro, Ferro & Battey LLC, Darien
Amy C. MacNamara, Ferro & Battey LLC, Darien
1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY:1.0 Skills)

Hot Topics Track

C07 Animal Law: Habeas Corpus and Nonhuman Rights

Animal Law Section

The Nonhuman Rights Project (NhRP) works to secure fundamental legal rights for nonhuman animals through litigation, advocacy, and education. This program will provide an overview of the NhRP's ongoing efforts to change the common law status of chimpanzees and elephants from mere "things," which lack the capacity to possess any legal right, to "legal persons," who possess such fundamental rights as bodily liberty and bodily integrity.

You Will Learn

- How common law courts can recognize fundamental rights for nonhuman animals through the writ of habeas corpus
- Case law updates regarding the NhRP's common law habeas corpus litigation, including a lawsuit on behalf of three captive elephants in the State of Connecticut

Moderators

Colette S. Griffin, Howd & Ludorf LLC, Hartford
Jessica Rubin, UConn School of Law, Hartford

Speaker

Steven M. Wise, Nonhuman Rights Project
1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY:1.0 AOP)

Legal Entrepreneur Track

C08 Casemaker: Beyond the Basics

Casemaker is a comprehensive, online legal research tool free exclusively to Connecticut Bar Association Members. A step-by-step demonstration will reveal the wealth of information and research tools available to members. Learn about the latest features and how you can use Casemaker to increase your effectiveness as an attorney.

Speaker

Jim Corbett, Casemaker, Seattle, WA
1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY:1.0 LPM)

Litigation and Advocacy Track

C09 Pro Bono Appointments in Federal Court: Tips from the Trenches, Part 2

Federal Practice Section

A significant proportion of cases in our federal court involve self-represented parties, many of whom are incarcerated. To ensure that such litigants receive appropriate representation, the court has recently amended Local Rule 83.10 to encourage more lawyers to accept pro bono appointments. In this program, a panel of federal judges and practitioners will review the local rule, discuss reasons why you should volunteer to accept a pro bono appointment in Connecticut's US District Court, and offer practical advice for handling these cases.

You Will Learn

- What substantive law applies to claims by prisoners, and where to find more training and education on the law
- Procedural tips and tricks applicable to prisoner cases, including how to arrange to visit your incarcerated client and how to make sure your client appears for court proceedings
- Approaches to settlement in prisoner cases

Moderators

Jonathan B. Orleans, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

Kristen L. Zaehring, Murtha Cullina LLP, Stamford

Speakers

Hon. Donna F. Martinez, United States District Court, District of Connecticut, Hartford

Hon. Michael P. Shea, United States District Court, District of Connecticut, Hartford

Sean M. Fisher, Brenner Saltzman & Wallman LLP, New Haven

Antonio Ponvert III, Koskof Koskoff & Bieder PC, Bridgeport

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY: 1.0 Skills)

Real Property Track

C10 Ethics and Environmental Practice

Environmental Law Section

The program will address ethical pitfalls in environmental matters, both in transactions and litigation, including conflicts of interest, confidentiality, special issues of competency, emergency response, and the role of the lawyer in working with consultants and the media.

Moderator

Elizabeth Fortino, Winnick Ruben Hoffnung Peabody & Mendel LLC, New Haven

Speakers

Lee D. Hoffman, Pullman & Comley LLC, Hartford

Douglas Pelham, Cohn Birnbaum & Shea PC, Hartford

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 Ethics; NY: 1.0 Ethics)

The Workplace

C11 Annual Update on Administrative Law Practice and Legislation

Administrative Law Section

Attend this session to hone your administrative law practice skills and get an update on recent developments in case law and legislation.

You Will Learn

- Effective strategies for representing clients in contested administrative hearings
- About significant case law developments
- About recent legislative updates

Moderator

Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt, Moore Leonhardt & Associates LLC, Hartford

Speakers

Cynthia Isales, Connecticut Office of Early Childhood, Hartford

Jeffrey Mirman, Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP, Hartford

Robert F. Shea, Jr., Shea Law Inc., West Hartford

Louis Todisco, Connecticut Department of Education, Hartford

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY:1.0 AOP)

LegalTech/Law Practice Management Track

C12 60 Legal Tech Tips, Tricks, Gadgets, and Websites in 60 Minutes

The best of legal technology, practice management, electronics, and incredibly useful websites for lawyers. This rapid-fire, entertaining hour is full of great ideas you can immediately incorporate into your practice.

You Will Learn

- Tech tips in practice management, electronics, and websites for lawyers

Speaker

Barron Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, Columbus, OH

1.0 CLE Credit (CT: 1.0 General; NY:1.0 LPM)

New Federal Pro Bono Rule: Learn What You Need to Know at the Connecticut Legal Conference

Recently, the US District Court for Connecticut amended Local Rule 83.10 in an effort to provide more pro bono resources for the many self-represented parties, many of whom are incarcerated. According to the rule, "any member of the Bar who has appeared as counsel of record in at least one civil action in [federal] Court since January 1, 2015," will be asked to take pro bono assignments.

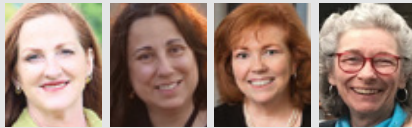
The Federal Practice Section will offer training designed to assist lawyers with these assignments at the CLC. At **Pro Bono Appointments in Federal Court: Tips from the Trenches, Part 1 (B08) and Part 2 (C09)**, federal judges and practitioners will discuss the new pro bono appointment procedures and provide practical advice for litigating these claims. You will also receive procedural tips applicable to prisoner cases at every stage of the process: from appointment to discovery to trial.

Visit ctlegalconference.com for more information and to register.

Session D—3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The President's Track D01 Getting to Well: The Professional Imperative for Lawyer Well-Being

Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being



Bree Buchanan Traci Cipriano Ellen Cosgrove Beth Griffin



Patrick Krill

In August 2017, the National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being issued *The Path to Lawyer Well-Being: Practical Recommendations for Positive Change*, which outlines more than 40 steps that lawyers and leaders across the profession can take to support a commitment

to holistic wellness for attorneys. Our panel will review key aspects of the report, and provide personal insight, context, and suggestions for moving forward under the new framework.

You Will Learn

- About the findings of the ABA National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being
- The imperative for lawyer well-being
- Strategies to reduce the stigma of talking about mental health and addiction challenges
- Strategies for moving the conversation of well-being forward

Moderator

Traci Cipriano, Yale School of Medicine, New Haven

Speakers

Bree Buchanan, Texas Lawyers Assistance Program, Austin, TX

Ellen Cosgrove, Yale Law School, New Haven

Beth D. Griffin, Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers—Connecticut, Inc., Rocky Hill

Patrick R. Krill, Krill Strategies, Minneapolis, MN
2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 Ethics; NY: 2.0 Ethics)

Business Law Track D02 Commercial Law and Bankruptcy: Year in Review

Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section

This review of case law in the past year will cover important decisions and changes in the areas of consumer bankruptcy, business bankruptcy, and commercial law.

You Will Learn

- About business bankruptcy cases and decisions
- About consumer bankruptcy holdings (chapters 7 and 13)
- How the courts have handled recent corporate and commercial law issues

Moderator

Jessica Grossarth Kennedy, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

Speakers

Taruna Garg, Murtha Cullina LLP, Stamford

Jonathan A. Kaplan, Pullman & Comley LLC, Hartford

Suzanne B. Sutton, Cohen and Wolf PC, Orange

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Estates and Probate/Elder Law/Tax Law Track

D03 How to Build an Elder Law Practice

Elder Law Section

Elder law isn't simply about writing wills. It's also about understanding the aging process and meeting the unique legal wants and needs of seniors. Elder law practitioners must be knowledgeable in the various areas of law in which older people or their families are likely to seek advice: asset protection, estate planning, conservatorships, nursing home care and contracts, Medicare, Medicaid and other public benefits, reverse mortgages, and elder abuse.

You Will Learn

- How to establish an elder law practice, including where to find education and resources to begin practicing in this highly gratifying and dynamic field
- The ethics of representing clients with diminished capacity
- Practical tips for focusing a practice on elder law

Moderator

Amy E. Todisco, Braunstein & Todisco PC, Fairfield

Speakers

Lisa N. Davis, Davis O'Sullivan & Priest LLC, New Haven

Deborah J. Tedford, Tedford Law Firm PC, Mystic

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 1.5 General, 0.5 Ethics; NY: 1.5 AOP, 0.5 Ethics)

Ethics Track D04 Shifting Landscapes: Adapting Your Firm to Emerging Threats



David Atkins



James Brawley

Insurance Programs for the Bar Committee

This program will focus on providing valuable instruction, practical guides, checklists, risk control, and recommendations to

help lawyers safely navigate today's complex legal environment and assist them in minimizing professional liability risk. Topics include identifying risk in business transactions, civil litigation, emerging technology, practice errors, and complying with ethical and professional obligations.

Attend this program and earn up to 7.5 percent premium credit off two years on professional liability insurance offered through this CBA exclusively endorsed program, underwritten by CNA.

Speakers

David P. Atkins, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

James L. Brawley, Morrison Mahoney, Hartford
2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 Ethics; NY: 2.0 Ethics)

Family Law Track D05 Annual Review of Developments in Family Law

Family Law Section

This program surveys family law decisions in the past year, and significant statutory and Practice Book changes that implicate family law practice. Discussion of cases organized by subject matter will include: child custody, alimony, child support, property division, attorney's fees, modification of orders, contempt, evidence, discovery, pendent lite orders, and post-judgment orders.

Speakers

Alexander J. Cuda, Needle & Cuda LLC, Westport

Steven R. Dembo, Berman Bourns Aaron & Dembo LLC, Hartford

Amy C. MacNamara, Ferro Battey & MacNamara LLC, Darien

Louise T. Truax, Reich & Truax PLLC, Southport

Aidan R. Welsh, Schoonmaker George Colin & Blomberg PC, Old Greenwich
2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Hot Topics Track D06 Intellectual Property in the Cannabis Industry

Medical Marijuana Committee

This program provides an overview of the current state of intellectual property laws in the United States as they relate to the protection of cannabis and the cannabis industry. The program will focus on how intellectual property rights, as they relate to cannabis and the cannabis industry, are protected and enforced in the United States, the future of the cannabis industry, and strategy tips for cannabis companies to protect their intellectual property.

You Will Learn

- How the cannabis industry is and is not protected by intellectual property laws
- How to complete a Connecticut Trademark Application
- Best practices for enforcing intellectual property rights for cannabis products

Moderator

April Arrasate, Brown Paindiris & Scott LLP, Hartford

Speakers

Daniel R. Cooper, Cooper & Kurz, Stamford

Justin McNaughton, Greenspoon Marder LLP, Nashville, TN

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Legal Entrepreneur Track

D07 Managing a Solo and Small Firm Practice: Business and Ethical Issues

Solo and Small Firm Section

Learn from experienced attorneys about starting your own practice, marketing your firm, and protecting against the latest technological challenges. Panelists will provide guidance and insight on major aspects of starting a law firm, including practice management software, advertising, client retention, billing and payment, and legal ethics. The program will also assist lawyers in understanding how their use of technologies poses important ethical obligations on their law practices. An overview of some of the latest threats, cloud risks, ransomware, phishing, bots, and malvertising will be discussed.

You Will Learn

- The nuts and bolts of all the tasks to be accomplished before hanging out your shingle
- How to make sure the firm is adhering to ethics rules as they apply to its use of technology

Moderator

Colleen T. Joyce, Law Offices of Colleen T. Joyce LLC, Redding

Speakers

Tegan Blackburn, Tegan Blackburn LLC, Avon
Jerome N. Goldstein, Law Office of Jerome N. Goldstein, Shelton

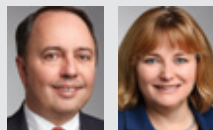
Thea Martin, Lafferty & Martin LLC, Guilford
David Shaiken, Shipman Shaiken & Schwefel LLC, West Hartford

Kristen Wolf, Wolf & Shore LLC, Hamden
John C. Zaccaro, Jr., Cipparone & Zaccaro PC, New London
2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 1.5 General, 0.5 Ethics; NY: 1.5 LPM, 0.5 Ethics)

Litigation and Advocacy Track

D08 Annual Review of Appellate Cases

Appellate Advocacy Section



Kenneth Bartschi

Karen Dowd

An enlightening and comprehensive review by Kenneth A. Bartschi of Connecticut Supreme Court cases from the past year, followed by an insightful and thought-provoking

review of Connecticut Appellate Court cases from the past year by Karen L. Dowd.

Speakers

Kenneth J. Bartschi, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford
Karen L. Dowd, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford
2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

Real Property Track

D09 Construction Law Year in Review

Construction Law Section

Significant new developments are occurring regularly in the dynamic area of construction law. It is essential for those involved in this field in Connecticut—whether as a “veteran” construction lawyer, an occasional practitioner, or as an owner or contractor—to keep abreast of this changing law, legislative initiatives, and recent statutory enactments. This program will provide you with up-to-date information about the current state of construction law.

Speakers

Anita C. Di Gioia, The Law Office of Anita C. Di Gioia LLC, Orange

Paul R. Fitzgerald, Michelson Kane Royster & Barger PC, Hartford

Robert J. O’Brien, Shipman & Goodwin LLP, Hartford

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

The Workplace Track

D10 Workplace Absence: How to Avoid Pitfalls Caused by the Interplay of Disability, Medical Leave, and Workers’ Compensation Law

Labor and Employment Law Section

This panel will introduce attendees to the web of laws of regular workplace absence and leave. It is geared especially toward lawyers who do not regularly practice employment law but whose practices interact with the workplace (including personal injury lawyers, workers’ compensation lawyers, small business lawyers, and in-house counsel). For more experienced employment lawyers, the panelists will provide practice pointers and methods for avoiding common mistakes.

You Will Learn

- The basics about the many laws that govern workplace absence, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, Connecticut Fair Employment Practices Act, Family and Medical Leave Act, and Workers’ Compensation
- The various types of workplace “leave” and how the different laws that regulate workplace absence intersect and overlap
- How to avoid common mistakes made by employers and employees with respect to workplace absence and leave

Speakers

Courtney A. George, Cohen and Wolf PC, Bridgeport

Joshua R. Goodbaum, Garrison Levin-Epstein Fitzgerald & Pirrotti PC, New Haven

Robert C. Hinton, Pullman & Comley LLC, Hartford
Mary E. Kelly, Livingston Adler Pulda Meiklejohn & Kelly PC, Hartford

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 AOP)

LegalTech/Law Practice Management Track

D11 Productivity Tools: Practice Management Software and Outlook

Discover how to get organized with matter management software. Often referred to as the Swiss Army knife of legal software, matter/case management software can organize your practice, increase your revenue and share information with many of your existing programs. Also, learn Microsoft Outlook power tips; lawyers and staff are generally drowning in e-mail and many feel helpless when trying to get it under control. This seminar will explain the many amazing and useful Outlook features, which most users don’t even know are there.

You Will Learn

- The leading practice management programs for small to medium-sized firms and see how these programs manage critical law firm functions such as calendaring, case information tracking, contact/client management, tickler systems, conflict checking, automated document generation, and time billing
- How to use Microsoft Outlook’s feature set to efficiently store and organize e-mail (and attachments), successfully deal with high e-mail volume, and how to fix Outlook’s default settings for e-mail, calendar, contacts, and tasks

Speaker

Barron Henley, Affinity Consulting Group LLC, Columbus, OH

2.0 CLE Credits (CT: 2.0 General; NY: 2.0 LPM)

Seminar Materials

Links to access and download seminar materials will be e-mailed to registrants five days before the conference. There will be no print materials. Wi-Fi is accessible at the venue, but due to the unreliability of public bandwidth speeds, it is strongly suggested that you download your materials in advance.

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