



# CONNECTICUT LEGAL CONFERENCE

June 13, 2022 | 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
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## Meet Our Featured National CLE Presenter

### Jan Schlichtmann

Environmental lawyer and author,  
subject of the film *A Civil Action*

## Schedule

2022 CLC Schedule			
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Registration, Breakfast, and Exhibitor Showcase	2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Break - Exhibitor Showcase
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Session A Seminars	2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Session C Seminars
10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Break - Exhibitor Showcase	4:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.	Break
10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Session B Seminars	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.	Session D Seminars
12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Annual Meeting and Luncheon	5:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	President's Reception

## Pricing

Conference registration includes a ticket to the Annual Meeting and Luncheon, and parking in designated garages. Note that refunds will not be granted after June 7, 2022.

2022 CLC Pricing Full Day	Regular 5/1 – 5/31	Late 6/1 – 6/13
Member	\$299	\$319
Non-Member (Includes One-Year CBA Membership)*	\$499	\$519
Law/Paralegal Student Member	\$99	\$119
Limited Streaming Access (CBA Members Only)**	\$299	\$319

\*Non-member registration pricing includes a one-year membership (July 2022 – June 2023) with the Connecticut Bar Association.

\*\*CBA Members who choose this option will also have complimentary access to all recorded seminars. The following popular seminars will be streamed:

- A05 and B05 Family Law Seminars
- B08 and C08 Making the Case: Solving the Adversary's Dilemma Parts 1 and 2
- C04 Better Safe than Sorry!
- D09 Are We Done Yet? A Primer on When to Appeal

# 2022-2023 CBA Officers

The installation of the CBA's incoming officers will occur at the CBA Annual Meeting, which will be held at the Connecticut Legal Conference on Monday, June 13. These officers will lead the CBA for the next bar year, beginning on July 1, 2022.



## President

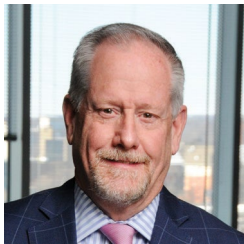
**Daniel J. Horgan** will serve as the CBA's 99th president. Attorney Horgan is an experienced trial lawyer with Horgan Law Offices in New London. He represents clients in workers' compensation cases and various civil matters in both state and federal courts as well as the

Mashantucket and Mohegan Tribal Courts.



## President-Elect

**Margaret I. Castinado** will serve as president-elect. Attorney Castinado is a senior assistant public defender at the Office of the Public Defender in New Haven. She has defended thousands of clients with criminal matters since 1999.



## Vice President

**James T. Shearin** will serve as vice president. Attorney Shearin is chairman of Pullman & Comley LLC. He has wide-ranging experience in federal and state courts at both the trial and appellate levels, and before arbitration and mediation panels.

He represents clients in a wide variety of litigation matters.



## Secretary

**J. Paul Vance, Jr.** will serve as secretary. Attorney Vance is a partner at Logan Vance Sullivan & Kores LLP and he focuses his practice in the areas of personal injury, workers' compensation, and medical malpractice. He has represented clients from all over

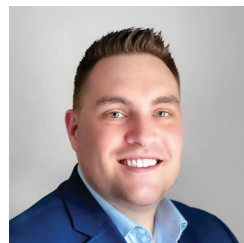
the State of Connecticut and beyond in federal and state court and before many administrative bodies.



## Treasurer

**Sharad A. Samy** will serve as treasurer. Attorney Samy is general counsel of the Commonfund for Nonprofit Organizations and is a solo practitioner at The Law Offices of Sharad A. Samy LLC in Darien. He has over 20 years of transactional and litigation

experience, has served as general counsel of two prominent operating companies, as a partner of an international law firm, and as a military attorney in the U.S. Army Reserve.



## Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

**Joshua J. Devine** will serve as assistant secretary-treasurer. Attorney Devine is investigations lead counsel and associate general counsel at UnitedHealthcare in Hartford, where he advises on data protection and cyber security laws. He graduated from Massachusetts School of Law in 2012.



## Immediate Past President

**Cecil J. Thomas** will serve as immediate past president. Attorney Thomas is an attorney at Greater Hartford Legal Aid, where he has represented thousands of low-income clients, predominantly in housing matters, since 2006, and has obtained significant

appellate and class action victories on behalf of low-income Connecticut residents.



# CLE Seminars At-A-Glance

Track	Session A 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Session B 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Session C 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Session D 4:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
The President's Track	<b>A01</b> What Are We Doing About Hate Crimes?	<b>B01</b> The Art of Successful Mediation	<b>C01</b> Sandy Hook, the Battle for Truth, and the Fabric of our American Society	<b>D01</b> Racial and Ethnic Justice in CT
Business/Legal Technology Track	<b>A02</b> "Own the Deal": A Panel on Venture Financing Transactions	<b>B02</b> Commercial Law and Bankruptcy: The Year in Review	<b>C02</b> The Ethical Duty of Technology Competence: What Every Lawyer Needs to Know	<b>D02</b> Fastcase
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Track	<b>A03</b> Words Matter	<b>B03</b> Intersectionality, Hidden Identities, and the Law	<b>C03</b> Cultural Humility: Going Beyond Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Basics	—
Ethics Track	<b>A04</b> Ethics: The Year in Review	<b>B04</b> Better Safe than Sorry!	<b>C04</b> Better Safe than Sorry!	<b>D03</b> Getting Paid: Ethical and Practical Considerations for Fees
Family Law Track	<b>A05</b> Family Law Seminar	<b>B05</b> Family Law Seminar	<b>C05</b> Family Law Year in Review	<b>D04</b> Family Law Seminar
Current Topics Track	<b>A06</b> Mindset Matters  <b>A07</b> So Long and Thanks For All the Fish: Fisheries Regulation in the Age of Climate Change  <b>A08</b> Seeking Post-Judgment Awards of Attorney Fees and Interest	<b>B06</b> Construction Law Year in Review	<b>C06</b> History of Racially Restrictive Covenants  <b>C07</b> Exploring the Dispute Resolution Toolbox	<b>D05</b> A Multi-Dimensional Model of Lawyer Well-Being  <b>D06</b> State Liens, Claims, and 4a-16 Notices  <b>D07</b> Coronavirus as a Disability
IP/Antitrust/Regulation Track	<b>A09</b> What's My Trade Secret Misappropriation Claim Worth?	<b>B07</b> Hot Topics in Antitrust and Trade Regulation	—	<b>D08</b> Consumer Protection Developments
Featured CLE Presenter/ Trial Track	<b>A10</b> Annual Review of Connecticut Supreme and Appellate Court Cases	<b>B08</b> Making the Case: Solving The Adversary's Dilemma (Part 1)	<b>C08</b> Making the Case: Solving The Adversary's Dilemma (Part 2)	<b>D09</b> Are We Done Yet? A Primer on When to Appeal
Real Property/ Environmental Law Track	<b>A11</b> Common Problems, Common Solutions: Top Title Issues and How to Clear Them	<b>B09</b> Real Property Case Law Year in Review	<b>C09</b> Emerging Issues in Environmental Due Diligence	—
The Workplace Track	—	<b>B10</b> Annual Employment Law Update	<b>C10</b> Recent Developments in CT Workers' Compensation	<b>D10</b> Workers' Compensation Appeal Process

# CLE Seminar Information

Visit [ctlegalconference.com](http://ctlegalconference.com) for the latest information and to register.

Session A | 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

## The President's Track

### A01 What Are We Doing about Hate Crimes?

*Presented by the CBA Executive Committee*



Whether people are uncomfortable, fear retaliation, or are uncertain that justice will be served, there is a significant disparity between hate crimes that actually occur and those reported to law enforcement. Working collaboratively with the governor's office, legislature, Judicial Branch, law enforcement, and our communities throughout Connecticut, the Connecticut Hate Crimes Advisory Council is responsible for encouraging and coordinating programs that increase community awareness, report hate crimes, and combat such crimes. It also can make recommendations for legislation, including recommendations on the reporting, investigation, and prosecution of hate crimes; restitution for victims of hate crimes; community service designed to remedy damage caused by hate crimes; and additional alternative sentencing programs for first-time offenders and juvenile offenders involved in hate crimes. Join us for this engaging program to hear the council's recommendations, FBI and federal efforts, and how you can join the fight to prevent and combat hate crimes.

#### Moderator

Amy Lin Meyerson, Law Office of Amy Lin Meyerson, Weston

#### Speakers

Hon. Douglas S. Lavine (Ret.), Connecticut Appellate Court, Hartford  
James C. Rovella, Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Middletown  
Anish Shukla, Federal Bureau of Investigation, New Haven  
Richard Wilson, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford

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

Kathy Flaherty, Connecticut Legal Rights Project Inc., Middletown  
Rachel Goldberg, Lambda Legal, Stamford  
Carolyn A. Ikari, Office of the US Attorney, Hartford  
Alex Kapitan, Radical Copyeditor

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

## Ethics Track

### A04 Ethics: The Year in Review

*Presented by CBA's Standing Committee on Professional Ethics*



Presenters will discuss recent ethics-related rule changes, opinions, and cases. They will also discuss ethics issues that will be important in your daily practice, updates to the Rules of Professional Conduct and new opinions from the CBA Standing Committee on Professional Ethics, and recent cases involving ethics issues/grievances since our last presentation.

#### Speakers

Stephen Conover, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford  
Brendon Levesque, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford  
Kim Rinehart, Wiggin and Dana LLP, New Haven

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

## Family Law Track

### A05 Family Law Seminar

*Presented by the Family Law Section*

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

## Business Law Track

### A02 "Own the Deal": A Panel on Venture Financing Transactions

*Presented by the Young Lawyers Section*

This seminar draws upon the panelists' broad transactional expertise in providing strategic legal and business advice to start-up and early-stage companies raising capital as well as in advising funds and investors in such investments to provide attendees with a comprehensive primer on venture financing and thoughtful and practical tips for junior lawyers on how to make a positive impact on the deal. The panelists will present on the foundations of venture capital financing transactions through a discussion on navigating common challenges to reach closing and will discuss, from their experiences, how best to aid clients in their funding efforts.

#### Moderator

Jermaine A. Brookshire, Jr., Wiggin and Dana LLP, New Haven

#### Speakers

R.J. Kornhaas, Wiggin and Dana LLP, Stamford  
Sharad A. Samy, General Counsel, Commonfund, Wilton  
Adam Silverman, Wiggin and Dana LLP, New Haven

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

## Current Topics Track

### A06 Mindset Matters

*Presented by the Lawyer Well-Being Committee*



This seminar will cover how to reduce stress and improve mental health by shifting mindset. It will provide an overview of cognitive distortions and how they can negatively affect our mindset, our productivity, and our well-being as well as techniques and tools to improve mindset and overcome thinking traps.

#### Speakers

Tanyee Cheung, Finn Dixon & Herling LLP, Stamford  
Sara Bonaiuto, Shipman & Goodwin LLP, New Haven

**CLE Credit:** 1.0 CT (Ethics)

## Current Topics Track

### A07 So Long and Thanks For All the Fish: Fisheries Regulation in the Age of Climate Change

*Presented by the Animal Law Section*

This program will discuss the impact of global climate change on fisheries and oceanic and wetland wildlife in Connecticut and in New England, taking both a local and global perspective on what is both a global and local issue. The program will discuss state, federal, and international law provisions—to the extent they exist or are effective—aimed at mitigating climate change as it relates to fisheries and oceanic wildlife. The program will discuss how fisheries issues are dealt with in Connecticut and will discuss regional cooperation to fight destruction of fisheries. Finally, the program will discuss how attorneys can be a part of the solution to the destruction of fisheries and to global climate change in general.

#### Speakers

Daniel Cooper, Cooper & Kurz, Stamford  
Jamie Woodside, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford

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

## DE&I Track

### A03 Words Matter

*Presented by the DE&I Committee*



Words matter. As Gautama Buddha said: "Whatever words we utter should be chosen with care for people will hear them and be influenced by them for good or ill." Words can hurt, help, or heal. Many words have nuances and hidden meanings, known mostly within social, racial, and ethnic groups, and often unappreciated for better and worse by others. Some words can be used directly to discriminate. Some words are wrongly and hurtfully used without conscious intention but sometimes with implicit bias. Some words may be used to help and heal and demonstrate inclusiveness and a shared appreciation of what is common across a wide range of groups.

#### Moderator

Sheila Hayre, Quinnipiac University School of Law, Hamden

#### Speakers

Hon. Dawne G. Westbrook, Connecticut Superior Court, Rockville



## Current Topics Track

### A08 Seeking Post-Judgment Awards of Attorney Fees and Interest

*Presented by the Litigation Section*

Dana Hrelac will present on seeking an award of attorney fees. What to ask, when to ask, and how to ask are often mysteries to the inexperienced and experienced alike. James Fogarty will present on the issue of seeking an award of interest on top of your judgment.

#### Moderator

Lenny Isaac, Isaac Law Offices LLC, Waterbury

#### Speakers

James R. Fogarty, Fogarty Cohen Russo & Nemiroff LLC, Old Greenwich  
Dana Hrelac, Pullman & Comley LLC, Hartford

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

## IP/Antitrust/Regulation Track

### A09 What's My Trade Secret Misappropriation Claim Worth?

*Presented by the Intellectual Property Section*

The Defend Trade Secrets Act (DTSA) of 2016 provided parties a private right of action for asserting trade secret misappropriation in federal courts. Yet, the DTSA did not preempt trade secret misappropriation claims from being brought under state law. This has led to a rise in case filings involving trade secret misappropriation claims, while also creating new and different methods for assessing damages. This program is designed to provide perspectives on the valuation of a trade secret claim from three perspectives—outside litigation counsel, economist, and in-house counsel. The program will address how to assess potential damages arising from a trade secrets claim and how to apply that valuation to achieve better business and litigation results for clients.

#### Speakers

Lynda Godkin, WEX Health, Simsbury  
Sushrut Jain, Edgeworth Economics LLC, Washington, DC  
Matthew Murphy, Axinn Veltrop & Harkrider LLP, Hartford

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

## Featured CLE Presenter/Trial Track

### A10 Annual Review of Connecticut Supreme and Appellate Court Cases

*Presented by the Connecticut Bar Institute*

This seminar provides an analytical and thought-provoking review of Connecticut Supreme Court cases from the past year by Kenneth J. Bartschi, followed by an insightful and practical 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

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

## Real Property/Environmental Law Track

### A11 Common Problems, Common Solutions: Top Title Issues and How to Clear Them

*Presented by the Real Property Section*

This program will discuss some of the most common closing issues which can derail and delay a closing and help real estate practitioners to address them to keep their closings going smoothly.

#### Speakers

David S. Veleber, Connecticut Attorneys Title Insurance Company, Rocky Hill  
Bruce Zawodniak, Connecticut Attorneys Title Insurance Company, Rocky Hill

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

## Session B | 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

## The President's Track

### B01 The Art of Successful Mediation

*Presented by the CBA Executive Committee*

Mediation is a structured, interactive process where an impartial third party assists disputing parties in resolving cases through the use of specialized communication and negotiation techniques. These experienced panelists will share their knowledge and insights to help lawyers successfully engage in mediation.

#### Moderator

Prof. William D. Logue, Quinnipiac School of Law, North Haven

#### Speakers

Hon. Elaine Gordon (Ret.), Gordon ADR LLC, Westbrook  
Hon. Angela Robinson (Ret.), Halloran Sage, New Haven  
Dale Faulkner, Faulkner and Graves PC, New London  
Joseph Garrison, Garrison Levin-Epstein Fitzgerald & Pirrotti PC, New Haven

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (Skills)

## Business Law Track

### B02 Commercial Law and Bankruptcy: The Year in Review

*Presented by the Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section*

The presenters will discuss case law developments in each of three categories—commercial litigation, consumer bankruptcy, and business bankruptcy.

#### Moderator

Roberta Napolitano, Chapter 13 Standing Trustee, Hartford

#### Speakers

Robert Fleischer, Green & Sklarz LLC, New Haven  
Jeffrey Hellman, Law Offices of Jeffrey Hellman, New Haven  
Suzanne Sutton, Cohen and Wolf PC, Bridgeport

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## DE&I Track

### B03 Intersectionality, Hidden Identities, and the Law

*Presented by the DE&I Committee*



While many are familiar with traditional diversity, equity, and inclusion concepts, intersectionality—the unique forms of discrimination, oppression, and marginalization that can result from the interplay of two or more identities—can have a profound effect on all players within the legal system. What is it? And is it a useful lens to address inequities in the legal system and workplace? How do intersectional experiences connect to broader systems of structural inequities within society, and what can that tell us as we strive to bring equity and inclusion into our workplaces, the justice system, and society? Join us as we explore these concepts with our distinguished panelists.

#### Moderator

Prof. Kathy Taylor, Naugatuck Community College, Waterbury

#### Speakers

Hon. Tejas Bhatt, Connecticut Juvenile Court, Middletown  
Dr. Jonathan Wharton, Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (Ethics); 2.0 NY (D&I)

## Ethics Track

### B04 Better Safe than Sorry!

*Presented by the Insurance Programs for the Bar Committee*



A comprehensive discussion on how best to keep your practice safe from potential malpractice exposures.

#### Moderator

John Kronholm, Kronholm Insurance Services, A Division of Brown & Brown of Connecticut Inc., Rocky Hill

#### Speakers

Stephen Conover, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford  
Brendon Levesque, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (Ethics); 2.0 NY (Ethics)

## Family Law Track

### B05 Family Law Seminar

*Presented by the Family Law Section*

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## Current Topics Track

### B06 Construction Law Year in Review

*Presented by the 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.

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## IP/Antitrust/Regulation Track

### B07 Hot Topics in Antitrust and Trade Regulation

*Presented by the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Section*

This program will address developments of interest to commercial, labor, employment, health care, consumer, and litigation practitioners. Attendees will learn about key developments in employment, health care, trade regulation, and wage suppression.

#### Moderator

Michael Kurs, Pullman & Comley, Hartford

#### Speakers

Lisl Dunlop, Axinn Veltrop & Harkrider LLP, Hartford

Scott P. Perlman, Mayer Brown, Washington DC

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## Featured CLE Presenter/Trial Track

### B08 Making the Case: Solving The Adversary's Dilemma (Part 1)

*Presented by the Connecticut Bar Institute*

This two-part interactive session will help attendees identify the adversary's challenges in making the case and how to overcome them. Using real world

examples from the simple to the complex, attendees will learn how to efficiently gather, analyze, and present the case while avoiding the perils and pitfalls of the adversarial mindset. Whether plaintiff, defendant, or unsure, you will learn how to cope with the elemental forces of the legal universe that threaten, bedevil, and inspire every practitioner with power, facts, science, truth, law, and justice.

#### Speaker

Jan Schlichtmann, Morgan & Morgan, Boston, MA

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## Real Property/Environmental Law Track

### B09 Real Property Case Law Year in Review

*Presented by the Real Property Section*

This perennial program is an overview of important case law developments in real property and will update attendees on trends and decisions.

#### Speakers

Elton B. Harvey III, Isaac Law Offices LLC, Farmington

Eugene A. Marconi, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices New England Properties, Wallingford

Valerie Ann Votto, Valerie Ann Votto LLC, Old Lyme

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## The Workplace Track

### B10 Annual Employment Law Update

*Presented by the Labor and Employment Section*

This seminar will provide a review of recent significant Federal and Connecticut decisions impacting employment law.

#### Speakers

Joshua Goodbaum, Garrison Levine-Epstein Fitzgerald & Pirrotti PC, New Haven

Mary E. Kelly, Livingston Adler Pulda Meiklejoh & Kelly PC, West Hartford

John G. Stretton, Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC, Stamford

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

Session C | 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

## The President's Track

### C01 Sandy Hook, the Battle for Truth, and the Fabric of our American Society

*Presented by the Executive Committee*

On December 14, 2012, a gunman killed 20 first-graders and six educators at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, CT. Ten years later, Sandy Hook has become a foundational story of how false conspiracy narratives and malicious misinformation have gained traction in society. In the aftermath of the Sandy Hook tragedy, the families of the victims have fought a battle to preserve their loved ones' legacies even in the face of threats to their own lives. This pattern of attack, denial, misinformation, and conspiracy theories have come to characterize some Americans' response to almost every major event in the past ten years. The rise of misinformation and rapid spread of conspiracy theories through American society pose serious threats to the pillars of our democracy and the rule of law, raising national security concerns, and undermining confidence in our legal institutions. Join us to hear from Elizabeth Williamson, author of *Sandy Hook: An American Tragedy and the Battle for Truth*, who has chronicled the stories of the Sandy Hook families in the aftermath of that great tragedy, and Attorney Monte Frank, who played a pivotal role in advocating for the Sandy Hook families through their ensuing struggles. Asha Rangappa, Senior Lecturer at the Yale University Jackson Institute for Global Affairs and former FBI agent, will speak to the broader implications of the rise of misinformation in our society, as we collectively consider our obligation, as a profession, to uphold and protect the rule of law and our legal institutions.

#### Moderator

Cecil J. Thomas, CBA President, Greater Hartford Legal Aid Inc., Hartford

#### Speakers

Monte E. Frank, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

Asha Rangappa, Yale Jackson Institute for Global Affairs, New Haven

Elizabeth Williamson, Author, *The New York Times*, Washington, DC

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

## Legal Technology Track

### C02 The Ethical Duty of Technology Competence: What Every Lawyer Needs to Know

*Presented by the Connecticut Bar Institute*



The Rules of Professional Conduct include specific obligations regarding technology. What does this mean for lawyers and what obligations to clients does it create? In this session, we will review the requirements of the Rules of Professional Conduct and the many reasons to be technologically competent.

#### Speakers

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

Michael S. Taylor, Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (Ethics); 2.0 NY (Ethics)

## DE&I Track

### C03 Cultural Humility: Going Beyond Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Basics

*Presented by the DE&I Committee*



The purpose of this seminar is to further educate attendees on areas of cultural humility that arise in our work and personal lives. This is beyond the basics of diversity, equity, and inclusion and delves into the more subtle ways discrimination, unfair treatment, insensitivity, and bias may be occurring and ways to identify and correct the behavior.

#### Moderator

John M. Letizia, Letizia, Ambrose & Falls, New Haven

#### Speakers

Karen DeMeola, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford  
Michelle Dumas Keuler, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, Hartford  
Cheryl A. Sharp, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, Hartford  
Jody Walker-Smith, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, Hartford

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (Ethics); 2.0 NY (D&I)

#### Ethics Track

##### C04 Better Safe than Sorry!

*Presented by the Insurance Programs for the Bar Committee*



A comprehensive discussion on how best to keep your practice safe from potential malpractice exposures.

#### Moderator

John Kronholm, Kronholm Insurance Services, A Division of Brown & Brown of Connecticut, Inc., Rocky Hill

#### Speakers

David P. Atkins, Pullman and Comly LLC, Bridgeport  
James L. Brawley, Morrison Mahoney LLP, Hartford

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (Ethics); 2.0 NY (Ethics)

#### Family Law Track

##### C05 Family Law Year in Review

*Presented by the Family Law Section*

Join us for the annual review of cases pertaining to the field of family law. Participants will be provided with richly detailed materials summarizing all relevant and current family law cases and will learn about the seminal family law cases from 2021 and 2022, as well as the new family court procedures.

#### Speakers

Alexander J. Cuda, Needle | Cuda, Westport  
Steven R. Dembo, Berman Mickelson Dembo & Jacobs LLC, Hartford  
Amy Calvo MacNamara, The Law Offices of Amy Calvo MacNamara, Greenwich  
Louise T. Truax, Reich & Truax PLLC, Southport

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

#### Current Topics Track

##### C06 History of Racially Restrictive Covenants

*Presented by the Real Property Section*



Presenters will provide the history of the creation of the covenants, what redlining is and its history, case law (e.g., *Shelley v. Kramer*), title insurance practice and policy, and recent legislative initiatives re: redacting of covenants.

#### Moderator

Zachary Kammerdeiner, CATIC, Rocky Hill

#### Speakers

Bethany R. Berger, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford  
Anika Singh Lemar, Yale Law School, New Haven

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (Ethics); 2.0 NY (D&I)

#### Current Topics Track

##### C07 Exploring the Dispute Resolution Toolbox

*Presented by the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section*

The history of alternative dispute resolution was driven on a desire to find quicker, cheaper, fairer, and often more private ways to resolve their disputes than traditional trials. As arbitration became more expensive and mediation, often utilized on the eve of trial, did not solve these initial goals, lawyers and their clients have adopted new variations of these traditional methods. The panel will discuss many of these resolution solutions, focusing on how to choose and effectively use them for your dispute.

#### Speakers

Roy De Barbieri, Zangari Cohn Cuthbertson Duhl & Grello PC, New Haven  
Richard Silberberg, Dorsey & Whitney LLP, New York, NY  
Eric Wiechmann, WiechmannADR, New Canaan  
Carolyn Wilkes Kaas, Quinnipiac University School of Law, Hamden

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (Skills)

#### Featured CLE Presenter/Trial Track

##### C08 Making the Case: Solving The Adversary's Dilemma (Part 2)

*Presented by the Connecticut Bar Institute*

This two-part interactive session will help attendees identify the adversary's challenges in making the case and how to overcome them. Using real world examples from the simple to the complex, attendees will learn how to efficiently gather, analyze, and present the case while avoiding the perils and pitfalls of the adversarial mindset. Whether plaintiff, defendant, or unsure, you will learn how to cope with the elemental forces of the legal universe that threaten, bedevil, and inspire every practitioner with power, facts, science, truth, law and justice.

#### Speaker

Jan Schlichtmann, Morgan & Morgan, Boston, MA

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

#### Real Property/Environmental Law Track

##### C09 Emerging Issues in Environmental Due Diligence

*Presented by the Environmental Law Section*

Attendees will learn about emerging issues related to due diligence in transactions, including updates to the ASTM standard for performing a "Phase I" environmental investigation as well as case law on due diligence, including a recent 7th circuit case in which a buyer lost CERCLA liability protections because of Phase I defects, and how upcoming changes to release-based remediation regulations change how we think about environmental due diligence.

#### Speakers

Deborah Brancato, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, Stamford  
Aaron Levy, Shipman & Goodwin LLP, Hartford  
Emilee M. Scott, Robinson+Cole, Hartford

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

#### The Workplace Track

##### C10 Recent Developments in CT Workers' Compensation

*Presented by the Workers' Compensation Section*

Learn about the latest in workers' compensation, including legislative updates, case law updates, an update from Chief Administrative Law Judge Stephen M. Morelli, and Connecticut vocational retraining.

#### Moderator

Colette Griffin, Howd & Ludorf LLC, Hartford

#### Speakers

Hon. Stephen M. Morelli, Chief Administrative Law Judge, Workers' Compensation Commission, Berlin  
Jason Dodge, Strunk Dodge Aiken Zovas LLC, Rocky Hill  
Karen Sargent, Worker's Rehabilitation Services  
Luke Strunk, Strunk Dodge Aiken Zovas LLC, Rocky Hill

**CLE Credit:** 2.0 CT (General); 2.0 NY (AOP)

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**Skills:** Skills



**The President's Track**

**D01 Racial and Ethnic Justice in CT**

*Presented by the CBA Executive Committee*



Racial and ethnic justice in Connecticut—fact or falsehood? The panel will explore if and how racial and ethnic justice has improved since the Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement. The panel will also discuss how the pandemic has helped or hindered racial and ethnic justice.

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

**Legal Technology Track**

**D02 Fastcase**

*Presented by Fastcase*

Learn about the free legal research tool available to CBA members. Fastcase succeeds Casemaker as the legal research tool offered by the CBA. Explore the multitude of search options, parameters, and libraries.

**CLE Credit:** 1.0 CT (General)

**Ethics Track**

**D03 Getting Paid: Ethical and Practical Considerations for Fees**

*Presented by the CT Bar Institute*



Lawyers who get it right with client fee arrangements not only avoid disciplinary trouble, they increase the chances of getting paid. This program will outline the ethical requirements for fee arrangements. It also will offer practical advice on how to avoid fee disputes with clients, and how to best deal with them if they arise.

**Speakers**

David Atkins, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport  
William Stempel, W. D. Stempel LLC, Hamden

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

**Family Law Track**

**D04 Family Law Seminar**

*Presented by the Family Law Section*

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

**Current Topics Track**

**D05 A Multi-Dimensional Model of Lawyer Well-Being**

*Presented by the Lawyer Well-Being Committee*



This program will describe the multidimensional aspects of lawyer well-being, as illustrated by a new model.

**Speaker**

Traci Cipriano, Traci Cipriano JD PhD LLC, Woodbridge

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

**Current Topics Track**

**D06 State Liens, Claims, and 4a-16 Notices**

*Presented by the Elder Law Section*

During the June 2021 Special Session, Public Act No. 21-2, An Act Concerning Provisions Related to Revenue and Other Items to Implement the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2023, made changes to when the state can file liens on real estate and recover from a recipient or his/her estate. This presentation would discuss those changes and how the changes may impact future benefit planning. (Provisions of Public Act No. 21-2 to be discussed: Sec. 454. Section 4a-16; Sec. 455. Section 17b-79; Sec. 456. Section 17b-93; Sec. 457. Section 17b-94; Sec. 458. Section 17b-95)

**Speakers**

Lisa Nachmias Davis, Davis O'Sullivan & Priest LLC, New Haven  
Stephen B. Keogh, Keogh Burkhart & Vetter, Norwalk

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

**Current Topics Track**

**D07 Coronavirus as a Disability**

*Presented by the CT Bar Institute*

The panel will discuss COVID-19 as a disability under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA). The panel will explore reasonable accommodations, anti-harassment, protected characteristics, and return to work for persons with a disability as a result of COVID-19.

**Speaker**

Audrey B. Blondin, Blondin Law Offices, Torrington

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

**IP/Antitrust/Regulation Track**

**D08 Consumer Protection Developments**

*Presented by the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Section*

Robert M. Langer and Connecticut Commissioner of Consumer Protection Michelle Seagull will share their knowledge and insights about important developments in consumer protection.

**Speakers**

Robert M. Langer, Wiggin and Dana LLP, Hartford  
Michelle Seagull, Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Protection, Hartford

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

**Featured CLE Presenter/Trial Track**

**D09 Are We Done Yet? A Primer on When to Appeal**

*Presented by the Appellate Advocacy Section*

Three panelists—an Appellate Court judge, a Supreme and Appellate court staff attorney, and an experienced appellate practitioner—will speak with a moderator to explain the current state of the final judgment rule in Connecticut courts.

**Moderator**

Johanna Katz, Pullman & Comley LLC, Hartford

**Speakers**

Hon. Michael Sheldon, Connecticut Appellate Court, Hartford  
Linda Morkan, Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford  
Jessie Opinion, Connecticut Judicial Branch, Hartford

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

**The Workplace Track**

**D10 Workers' Compensation Appeal Process**

*Presented by the Workers' Compensation and Young Lawyers Sections*

The program will address the process of appealing a decision to the Compensation Review Board, arguing at the Compensation Review Board, and next steps after a Compensation Review Board decision.

**Speakers**

Hon. Maureen E. Driscoll, Workers' Compensation Commission, Hartford  
Andrew J. Morrissey, Morrissey, Morrissey & Rydzik LLC, Naugatuck  
Joseph J. Passaretti, Jr., Montstream Law Group LLP, Rocky Hill

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