# TENTH ANNUAL BARRISTERS ANNUAL MEETING



# Litigation Summit; Lifecycle of a Case from A-Z Thursday October 1, 2020

This half-day conference gives attorneys and law students the opportunity to further their professional development by obtaining CLE credit and networking with their peers.

The 2020 annual meeting will give attendees invaluable tips for handling a case through all stages of litigation. The program will begin by providing practical skills for initiating a lawsuit and will take you through discovery, dispositive motions, and settlement strategies. The 2020 annual meeting will focus on skills attorneys and law students from both sides of the courtroom should know to successfully manage a case and achieve favorable client result.



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## 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Judges Panel | MCLE : 1.25 Hours

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Hear from Bay Area judges about their background and tips and tricks for junior lawyers on how to succeed in court.



Hon. Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar, Supreme Court of California



**Hon. Carin Fujisaki,** California Court of Appeal, First District



Hon. Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California



Hon. Christopher Hite, San Francisco Superior Court

**Moderator** 

**Kelly Matayoshi** Farella Braun + Martel

# 1:45 - 2:45 p.m. | Session II | MCLE : 1 Hour

#### **Speakers**

**Courtney Brown** Law Offices of Mary Catherine Weiderhold

Sean Herman Hanson Bridgett

Jamie Wells McGuireWoods

#### Moderator

David Casarrubias Hanson Bridgett

# Pleadings: Ins and Outs of Filing a Lawsuit & How to Respond

- Learn strategies for filing a lawsuit, including evaluating where you should file, who you should sue, and how to defeat a demurrer/motion to dismiss.
- Overview of responsive pleading alternatives, including when you should move to compel arbitration, move to dismiss, and/or file an answer.
- Key differences and similarities of practicing in state court and federal court that will help you perfect your practice

## 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. | Session III | MCLE : 1 Hour

#### **Speakers**

Thomas Lloyd Squire Patton Boggs

**Sophia Achermann** Fiore Achermann

**Anna Liu** Steven Adair MacDonald & Partners

#### Moderator

**Raisa Dyadkina** Squire Patton Boggs

#### Discovery 101: Written Discovery & Depositions; What You Need to Know

- Best practices for written discovery, including providing an overview of the different methods of written discovery, when to use them, and how to respond.
- An overview of tips for ensuring compliance with discovery obligations, including recent amendments to the Federal Rules and California Code of Civil Procedures that will help avoid motions to compel.
- Ways to perfect your deposition style—including introduction of exhibits, lodging objections, questioning non-responsive witnesses, and dealing with difficult opposing counsel.

## 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. | Session IV | MCLE : 1 Hour

#### **Speakers**

Aaron Gothelf American Arbitration Association

Hon. Ethan Schulman San Francisco Superior Court

**Marie Jonas** Folger Levin

#### Moderator

**Lindsey Mignano** Smith Shapourian Mignano

#### Avoiding Trial: Benefits of Moving for Summary Judgment & Alternative Dispute Resolution

- Practical skills for bringing or opposing summary judgment, including when to bring them, how to defeat them, and common pitfalls to avoid.
- How to deliver persuasive oral argument by learning what judges are really interested in knowing.
- Tips and tricks for settling cases, including how mediation and other alternative dispute resolutions can help you achieve a favorable result for client.

# 5:15 p.m. | Virtual Networking Reception

Join the speakers and conference attendees for a casual post-conference reception. Share your thoughts on the presentations, network with other Bay Area attorneys and chat with Barristers Club board members about our upcoming programs or how to get more involved.

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