2021 BARRISTERS ANNUAL MEETING

Let's Get Practical!

The 2021 Annual Meeting will attendees invaluable tips for practicing law ethically and mindfully, while ensuring you impress your clients and supervising attorneys. This year's annual meeting is for all attorneys in their first 10 years of practice no matter the practice area. The program will begin by giving attendees valuable insight from the Bench. Attendees will then have the ability to choose between two practical skills panels followed by two ethics panels, depending on the skills and insight they are looking to obtain. The final panel is focused on how new attorneys can prevent burnout by recognizing it early. A networking reception will follow.

DATE

Thursday October 7, 2021

TIME

Programs: 12:00 - 5:30 p.m. Networking Happy Hour to follow

LOCATION

Virtual

MCLE: UP TO 4.25 HOURS

To receive MCLE credit, you must sign in during the designated MCLE registration period. This activity is approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of California. BASF is a certified provider. Provider #103

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OPENING PANEL | 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. (1.25 Hours MCLE)

Judges Panel: Tips and tricks for junior lawyers on how to succeed in court

Honorable Terri Jackson, Presiding Justice, California Court of Appeal, First District Honorable Goodwin H. Liu, California Supreme Court Honorable Anne-Christine Massullo, San Francisco Superior Court

Honorable William H. Orrick, United States District Court, Northern District of California

BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1 | 1:40 - 2:40 p.m.

Panel 1A: Successful Negotiation Tactics for Junior Attorneys (MCLE: 1 Hour)

The presenters will address all phases of the negotiation process from early stage informal settlement discussions with opposing counsel to working with a mediator. Topics will include bargaining for information, understanding party interests, the value of conducting an early neutral evaluation, how to select the right mediator, breaking an impasse, and a host of other tips for a successful negotiation.

Speakers: Diana Kruze, Judicate West; Sheila Purcell, UC Hastings Center for Negotiation & Dispute Resolution; Aaron Gothelf, American Arbitration Association

Panel 1B: Practical Advice from Supervisors and Managers for New Attorneys (MCLE .75 Hours)

This panel seeks honest information from supervising attorneys on the tough questions, including lifecycle of a civil lawsuit, in-house and agency legal work, case management, legal writing, how to draft legal pleadings and written discovery, deposition appearances, and how to get feedback from supervising attorneys.

Speakers: Steven E. McDonald, Bledsoe, Diestel, Treppa & Crane; Brett A. Pletcher, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, Gilead; Deborah Stachel, Regional Chief Counsel, Social Security Administration; Holly Graves, Bledsoe, Diestel, Treppa & Crane

BREAKOUT SESSIONS 2 | 2:50 - 3:50 p.m.

Panel 2A: Ethical Obligations in Delegation and Management of Work to Junior Associates, Paralegals and Staff (MCLE: 1 Hour in Legal Ethics)

This panel, comprised of law firm leaders and an ethics attorney, will discuss how to best execute the requisite ethical obligations when making assignments, managing, and supervising the work product of others.

Speakers: Thomas J. D'Amato, D'Amato Law; Staci Dresher, Dresher Consulting & Investigations; Terrance Evans, Duane Morris; Lindsey Mignano, Smith Shapourian Mignano

Panel 2B: Ethical Pitfalls New Lawyers Face (MCLE: 1 Hour in Legal Ethics)

This program will address common ethical issues facing new lawyers. Topics include billing practices; discovery; social media and how to have an online presence while maintaining your ethical duties; associate arrivals and departures; mistakes, what counts as a mistake and what is a lawyer's duty to communicate the mistake to the client or others in the firm.

Speakers: Stephen Bundy, Stephen Bundy Law; Carol Langford, Law Office of Carol M. Langford, University of San Francisco School of Law; Courtney M. Brown; Law Offices of Mary Catherine Wiederhold

CLOSING PANEL | 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. (MCLE: 1.0 Hour in Competence Issues)

Attorney Burnout: Recognizing When You're Close to the Edge and How to Ask for Help