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Encore Presentation: A Day of Ethics

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2024

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DESCRIPTION

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SCHEDULE

8:10 a.m. > Webcast Lobby Opens

8:25 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

8:30 a.m. > Vignette One: The Plan Comes Together

60 Minutes, 1.0 Ethics

In this first vignette, the panel will explore and discuss issues involving communications between an attorney proceeding pro se and an opposing party who is represented, concerns with the use of "reply all" when responding to an email, application permissions when using a smart phone for work, the tension between client confidentiality and courthouse security, and issues surrounding the filing of a disciplinary complaint.

• Mark Bassingthwaighte, Esq. - ALPS Risk Manager, St. Cloud, FL

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- Jeanne Marie Clavere Washington State Bar Association, Seattle
- Ralph E. Cromwell, Jr. Byrnes Keller Cromwell LLP, Seattle

9:30 a.m. > BREAK

9:45 a.m. > Vignette Two: Down to Business

60 Minutes, 1.00 Ethics

In this second vignette, the topics presented for discussion will be the death of a client during settlement negotiations, concerns surrounding the use of crowdfunding, use of the term "minimum fees" in an engagement agreement, and the responsibilities that arise when deploying generative AI in the practice of law.

- Mark Bassingthwaighte, Esq. ALPS Risk Manager, St. Cloud, FL
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10:45 a.m. > Vignette Three: The Debrief

60 Minutes, 1.00 Ethics

In this final vignette, the panel concludes the presentation by exploring the tension between wellness and burnout in the practice of law, the benefits and risks that come with deploying communication channels intended to replace traditional email, attorney departure concerns (to include when an attorney retires), and the use of independent contractors and legal staffing companies to meet staffing needs.

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11:45 a.m. > Lunch

12:45 p.m. > "Semi" Confidentiality... Investigating, and Informing On, Our Clients

75 minutes, 1.25 Ethics

This important and timely segment will address the ABA's newly proposed client investigation amendment to RPC 1.16 and the newly enacted Corporate Transparency Act reporting requirements which are applicable to lawyers.

- Russell M. Aoki Aoki Law PLLC, Seattle
- Douglas Ende Washington State Bar Association, Seattle
- Benjamin Hutten Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York City, NY

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• John Wolfe - Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Seattle

2 p.m. > Artificial Intelligence and the Law

60 Minutes, 1.00 Ethics

Learn from a preeminent lawyer-expert in the field of artificial intelligence and the law.

• Anthony Davis - FisherBroyles LLP, New York City, NY

3 p.m. > Break

3:15 p.m. > A Lion in Winter

60 minutes, 1.00 Ethics - Equity credit

Lembhard G. "Lem" Howell, admitted to practice in 1966, (WSBA # 133) will reflect on issues of race and justice that he faced during his over five-decade career as a Plaintiffs' civil rights, police misconduct, and tort lawyer practicing in Seattle. Lem, a founder of the Loren Miller Bar Association, was the first black lawyer to hold a national office with the Association of Trial Lawyers of America (now the American Association for Justice). In addition to addressing race relations between Seattle bar and bench, he will discuss some of his landmark civil rights cases, including a 1969 lawsuit that ended Washington State's construction trade union's exclusion of African American workers and a case that upheld affirmative-action employment policies for Seattle firefighters.

• Lembhard Howell - Lembhard Goldstone Howell, Seattle

4:15 p.m. > "Ketchup" with the Co-Chairs

60 minutes, 1.0 Ethics credit

The Law of Lawyering's co-chairs cover 2023's important ethics opinions, and disciplinary and attorney professional liability decisional authority.

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- Mark J. Fucile Fucile and Reising LLP, Portland, OR
- Mark Johnson Johnson Flora Sprangers PLLC, Seattle

5:15 p.m. > Complete Online Evaluations • Adjourn

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