



THE DONALD L. GALINE
SONOMA
TRAVEL SEMINAR

MCLE
10.25
CREDITS

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

1:30 PM REGISTRATION

1:55 – 2:55 PM (1.0 General)

LIENS

Moderator: Michelle C. Jenni, Wilcoxon Callahan, LLP

ERISA Liens And Medi-Cal Liens

Daniel E. Wilcoxon, Wilcoxon Callahan, LLP

MediCare Liens, Disability Plan Liens And Balance Billing

Donald Mitchell de Camara, Law Offices Of Donald M. de Camara

3:15 – 4:30 PM (1.25 General)

TRACK 1 - PREMISES LIABILITY: CAUTION, SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALLS

Sponsor: Physician Life Care Planning

Moderator: Daniel Del Rio, Del Rio & Associates, P.C.

Obstacles To Prepare For In The Unwitnessed Fall

Andje M. Medina, Altair Law

Pre-Trial Discovery

Robert Bale, Dreyer Babich Buccola Wood Campora, LLP

Premises Liability Cases And The Americans With Disabilities Act

Alexandra Hamilton, The Veen Firm, PC

Common Pitfalls In Cases Involving Falls From Height

Kimberly Wong, The Veen Firm, PC

3:15 – 4:30 PM (1.25 General)

TRACK 2 - CLASS ACTIONS AND DEFECTIVE PRODUCTS: HOW TO RECOGNIZE AND GET IN THE GAME

Sponsor: Top Class Actions, LLC

Moderator: Kristy M. Arevalo, McCune Wright Arevalo, LLP

Recalls

Jamie G. Goldstein, Arias Sanguinetti Wang & Torrijos LLP

Evaluating the Mass Tort Case

Alison E. Cordova, Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP

Don't Get Preempted! What You Need To Know About Drug And Device Cases

Sarah R. London, Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein LLP

Interplay Between Personal Injury And Class Actions

Abbas Kazerounian, Kazerouni Law Group, APC

4:45 – 6:15 PM (1.5 General)

TRACK 1 - LAWYER TRIAL SKILLS

Moderator: Conor M. Kelly, Walkup, Melodia, Kelly & Schoenberger

Mini Opening

Christopher B. Dolan, Dolan Law Firm, PC

Cross-Examining Defense Experts - Focus On Foundation Under Sanchez

Christine D. Spagnoli, Greene, Broillet & Wheeler LLP

The Ingredients For A Savory Opening

Chantel L. Fitting, Law Offices of Galine, Frye, Fitting & Frangos

Closing Arguments: How To Prepare An Impromptu Speech

Duffy Magilligan, Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy

4:45 – 6:15 PM (1.5 General)

TRACK 2 - EMPLOYMENT

Sponsor: Uccelli & Associates

Moderator: Sandra Ribera Speed, Ribera Law Firm

Trying Employment Discrimination Cases Against Public Entities

Jill Patricia Telfer, Telfer Law

Recognizing And Increasing The Value Of Sexual Harassment And Abuse Cases

John D. Winer, Winer, McKenna, Burritt & Tillis LLP

Bringing Retaliation Claims On Behalf Of In-House Attorneys

Tamarah Prevost, Cotchett Pitre & McCarthy, LLP

The "MeToo" Movement: Where We've Been And Where We're Going

Daren H. Lipinsky, Rizio Liberty Lipinsky

6:30 TO 7: 30 P.M. WELCOME RECEPTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

8:30 A.M. BREAKFAST

9:00 – 10:30 AM (1.5 General)

TRACK 1 - AUTO

Sponsor: Briscoe Economics Group, Inc.

Moderator: Lorraine D. Gingery, Gingery Law Group, PC

Starting The Auto Case

Robert A. Piering, Piering Law Firm

Selling Your Case In The Demand Letter

Ashley R. Amerio, Amerio Law Firm P.C.

30 Days Before Trial

John N. Demas, Demas Law Group, P.C.

How Culture Is Affecting Your Auto Case

Amar Shergill, Shergill Law Firm, PLC

9:00 – 10:30 AM (1.5 General)

TRACK 2 - THE ART OF PERSUASION: WHY SOME LAWYERS SEEM MORE EFFECTIVE

Moderator: Aimee E. Kirby, Dolan Law Firm, PC

What A Difference A Smile Can Make

Gretchen M. Nelson, Nelson & Fraenkel LLP

LESS IS MORE: Streamlining Your Story

Deborah Chang, Panish Shea & Boyle LLP

Powerful Connections You Need In The Courtroom

Craig M. Peters, Altair Law

10:45 – 11:45 AM (1.0 General)

TRACK 1 - SCHOOL ISSUES

Moderator: Casey R. Johnson, Aitken*Aitken*Cohn

Physical (not sexual) Abuse Cases Against Schools

Micha Star Liberty, Rizio Liberty Lipinsky

Sexual Abuse In Schools

Lauren A. Cerri, Corsiglia McMahon & Allard, LLP

Cultural Considerations Involved In Sex Abuse Cases

For Purposes Of Evaluating Damages

Noemi Esparza, Dreyer Babich Buccola Wood Campora, LLP

10:45 – 11:45 AM (1.0 General)

TRACK 2 - ELDER ABUSE

Moderator: Eric J. Buescher, Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP

Aiding And Abetting Liability For Financial Elder Abuse

Anne Marie Murphy, Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP

Creating A Successful Discovery Plan To Prove Up Your Elder Neglect Case

Wendy C. York, York Law Firm

The RCFE Point System Charade

Kathryn Stebner, Stebner & Associates

Litigating Long Term Care Sexual Assault Cases

Kirsten M. Fish, Needham Kepner & Fish LLP

12:00 – 1:00 PM (1.0 General)

LUNCH KEYNOTE

Sponsor: Dreyer Babich Buccola Wood Campora, LLP;

Walkup, Melodia, Kelly & Schoenberger

Moderator: Mike Arias, Arias Sanguinetti Wang & Torrijos LLP

What Every Judge Wishes You Knew

Hon. Steve K. Austin, Contra Costa County Superior Court

1:15 – 3:00 PM (1.75 General)

MASTERS ROUNDTABLE

Sponsor: Uccelli & Associates

Moderator: Sara Peters, Walkup, Melodia, Kelly & Schoenberger

Gadolinium Heavy Metal Injuries After MRIs

Zoe Littlepage, Littlepage Booth

Successfully Litigating Apartment Fire Cases

Sean M. Burke, Law Office of Sean M. Burke

Toxic Cabin Air: The Perils Of Air Travel

Rainey Booth, Littlepage Booth

PGE Wildfire Litigation

Frank Mario Pitre, Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP

3:00 – 4:15 PM (1.25 General)

INNOVATIVE TECHNIQUES FOR WITNESS EXAMINATIONS

Sponsors: Centext Gold Trial Solutions

Moderator: Megan Demshki, Aitken*Aitken*Cohn

Witness Examinations

Niall P. McCarthy, Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP

The Art Of Finding And Presenting The Surrounding Witness

Roger A. Dreyer, Dreyer Babich Buccola Wood Campora, LLP

Expert Witness Direct Examination

Daniel S. Robinson, Robinson Calcaigne, Inc.

6:00 TO 7:00 P.M. CLOSING RECEPTION

CHAIR: ANNE MARIE MURPHY CO-CHAIRS: ROBERT PIERING, GRETCHEN NELSON, DEBORAH CHANG CAOC PRESIDENT: MIKE ARIAS EDUCATION CHAIR: GREG RIZIO

COMMITTEE: ROBERT BALE, ROBERT BOUCHER, ALISON CORDOVA, ILYA FRANGOS, LORRAINE GINGERY, DANIEL GLASS, JILL TELFER, LORI SARRACINO, WENDY MURPHY