

2019 VTAJ Annual Meeting & Conference:
Practical Evidence & Trial Skills for Lawyers
 June 7, 2019

8:45 – 9:00 am BLUE ROOM
OPENING WELCOME TO ALL

9:00 – 9:40 am BLUE ROOM
 Effective Use of Hearsay at Trial & Effective Objections to Hearsay:
Hearsay Evidence & Objections All Trial Lawyers Should Know
 Hon. Michael Harris, Vermont Superior Court Judge

9:40 – 10:15 am BLUE ROOM
 Expert Testimony Do's and Don't's:
How to Best Present Your Expert's Testimony & Avoid Expert Evidence Pitfalls
 Hon. Robert Mello, Vermont Superior Court Judge

10:15 – 10:30 BREAK

10:30 – 11:00 am BLUE ROOM
 How to Make Your Evidence Work for You.
Tips on Effective and Ineffective Ways to Present Your Evidence to a Judge or Jury
 Hon. Helen Toor, Vermont Superior Court Judge

11:00am – 12 noon BLUE ROOM
 Tips from the Trenches: Trial Tips from Judges to Make You a Better Litigator
*Interactive 3-Judge Panel Discussion, Experienced Trial Judges Provide
 Their Top Tips to Increase Your Litigation Skills*
 Hon. Robert Mello, Hon. Michael Harris, Hon. Helen Toor, with John Evers, Esq., Moderator

12:00 – 1:00pm LUNCH & KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

“The Importance of Trial Lawyers”
United States Congressman Peter Welch

1:00pm- 1:15pm: Martha Woodman Consumer Advocate Posthumous Award to Robert Manchester, Esq.
 1:15- 1:45pm VTAJ Annual Business Meeting

THE AFTERNOON HAS 2 TRACKS:

2:00 – 3:00 pm BLUE ROOM ** Open to All **
 Storytelling for Trial Lawyers: How to Make Your Client's Case Come to Life for the Jury
 Philip Meyer, Esq, Professor at Vermont Law School & author of *“Storytelling for Lawyers”*

2:00 – 3:00 pm RED ROOM ** Open to All **
 Tech Ethics in the 21st Century:
Unique Ethical Issues Involved With ESI, Social Media, Emails, and Text Messages
 Michael Kennedy, Esq. Christopher Davis, Esq.

3:00 – 4:00 pm BLUE ROOM ** VTAJ Members Only **
 OMG vs. LMAO: Managing Social Media & ESI Discovery
 Todd Schlossberg, Esq. Drew Palcsik, Esq.

3:00 – 4:00 pm RED ROOM ** Open to All **
 Ethics Hour: Ethics Rules That All Litigators Should Know: *Evidentiary Issues, Surprises, and Moral Dilemmas*
 Michael Kennedy, Esq. Christopher Davis, Esq.

4:10 – 4:30 pm BLUE ROOM VTAJ Annual Board of Governors Meeting