



Contra Costa County

BAR ASSOCIATION

PROUDLY PRESENTS

24TH ANNUAL

MCLE SPECTACULAR!

Friday, November 16, 2018

Walnut Creek Marriott | 2355 N. Main Street

Breakfast Kickoff Speaker

HON. LEONDRA KRUGER

Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California

Luncheon Keynote Speaker

DAVID KELLY

Golden State Warriors General Counsel & Vice President
of Basketball Management & Strategy

Afternoon Plenary Speaker

HON. JILL FANNIN

Contra Costa County Superior Court Presiding Judge

HON. BARRY BASKIN

Contra Costa County Superior Court Assistant Presiding Judge



hosted by

**Kilpatrick Townsend
& Stockton, LLP**

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CONCURRENT MORNING SEMINARS

9:45 – 11:45 am

SEMINAR #1

Justice Ignazio J. Ruvalo (Ret.)
Former Presiding Justice, First District
Court of Appeal, Div. 4

Gary A. Watt
Hanson Bridgett LLP

Don Willenburg
Gordon & Rees LLP

SLAPP & 998 UPDATE: WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW OR DON'T DO COULD SINK YOU

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Appellate Section

2 hours Appellate Specialization MCLE Credit (Approval Pending)

This very distinguished and experienced panel will discuss the latest anti-SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation) motion and Section 998 settlement offer decisions including trends, strategies, and best practices to protect clients from these lethal weapons or to launch an offensive on their behalf.

SEMINAR #2

Benisa Berry
Center for Human Development
Margaret Grover
Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean LLP

Robin M. Pearson
Pearson & Schachter

Marta R. Vanegas
Martin & Vanegas, APC

Jordan "Jody" Yudien
Yudien Law Firm, P.C.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION: PREPARING TO MEDIATE – A 3-ACT PLAY

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Alternative Dispute Resolution, Employment Law and Litigation Sections

2 hours General MCLE Credit

Through a three-act role play, experienced litigators and neutrals demonstrate the challenges of setting the stage for a successful mediation, through meetings with clients as well as adversary counsel. Sparks will fly, allegiances, fortitude and sanity will be tested. Roadblocks will be built and overcome, modeling effective strategies to establish buy-in and set appropriate expectations for all.

SEMINAR #3

Konstantine A. Demiris
The Demiris Law Firm, P.C.

Douglas W. Housman
Cain, Cain & Housman

Thomas Blomberg
Buchman Provine Brothers Smith LLP

TBD
District Attorney's Office

LOVE HURTS – ELDER ABUSE IN ROMANTIC RELATIONSHIPS

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Elder Law Section

1 hour Estate Planning and Probate Specialization and 1 hour General MCLE Credit

This multi-platformed discussion will delve into the financial, physical and emotional dilemmas of current trends in elder abuse amongst loved ones, specifically on situations involving married individuals, partners, and significant others. The speaker panel brings experience across the spectrum of elder abuse law with cross-over issues involving conservatorships and family law. The adept panel of professionals includes attorneys specializing in family law, elder law and conservatorships, as well as a representative from the District Attorney's office.

SEMINAR #4

Marcus T. Brown
The Law Office of Marcus T. Brown

Steven J. Kahn
Hoge Fenton Jones & Appel

BE WARY OF NON-MARITAL RELATIONSHIPS & REAL ESTATE OWNERSHIP: PLANNING, SETTling AND PARTITIONS, OH MY!

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Family Law Section

1.5 hours General and 0.5 hours Legal Ethics MCLE Credit

With the growing trend of real estate purchases that do not involve a married couple, new real estate issues are arising in partition actions. Learn about ways to handle and spot these issues as well as creative ways to resolve them. This program will help you understand the rights of each party, the technicalities involved in the litigation, and other related issues including the ethical issues surrounding joint representation of co-owners.

SEMINAR #5

Jerome Fishkin
Fishkin & Slatter LLP

Lubna K. Jahangiri
Santaella Jahangiri LLP

Craig Nevin
All-Cal Construction & Real Estate
Services, Inc.

Moderator:
Kent C. Parr
Law Office of Kent C. Parr

A LAWYER WALKS INTO A CLIENT'S BUSINESS VENTURE: THE LEGAL ETHICS OF LAWYERS' EQUITY

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Business Law Section

1 hour Legal Ethics and 1 hour General MCLE Credit

More and more these days lawyers find themselves invested financially in one of their client's business ventures. Join a panel of local business law and attorney ethics professionals for a recap of the newly adopted Rules of Professional Conduct and how they answer the many questions that can arise in a lawyer equity relationship. The panel will review the special rules, disclosures and other procedures required when an attorney takes equity in a business venture, either by partnership, stock options, or by any other means.

SEMINAR #6

Roger J. Brothers

Buchman Provine Brothers Smith, LLP

Jim Fitzgerald

Attorney at Law

Mark W. Frisbie

Retired Attorney

Peter A. Mankin

Sheldon & Mankin

Rebecca Parish, M.D.

Brett Beaver, LMFT

Comprehensive Wellness

Moderator:

Joscelyn Jones Torru

Jones Torru Law

TRANSITION IS A MANY SPLENDORED THING!

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Senior Lawyers Task Force

1 hour Competence Issues and 1 hour General MCLE Credit

Understanding your physical, mental and emotional abilities as you age is not all doom and gloom – in fact, it can be the key to your professional and personal growth. Our session begins with Dr. Rebecca Parish and Brett Beaver, LMFT leading us in a lively discussion on how to maximize health and well-being horizons. Our second session focuses on what transition might look like from retirement to semi-retirement, volunteering, traveling, mentoring and beyond. Our “transitionista” panelists will share their unique paths – how they did it, what worked and what you might consider as you make your way into this next phase.

CONCURRENT AFTERNOON SEMINARS

1:45 – 3:45 pm

SEMINAR #7

Denae Budde

Budde Law Group

Tracy Lindsay

Mediator & Personal Property Expert

David Miller

ADR Services, Inc.

Jessica Notini

Jessica Notini Mediation

Nathan Scheg

Iron Horse Law Group

Moderator:

Robert B. Jacobs

Mediator

REAL PROPERTY MEDIATION AT ITS BEST – AND WORST: HOW TO AVOID WISHING YOU’D DONE THINGS DIFFERENTLY

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Alternative Dispute Resolution and Real Estate Sections

2 hours General MCLE Credit

Emotions run high at mediation. This interactive program features a mock mediation involving a real property partition action, where a brother, a sister and their attorneys will mediate competing claims to an inherited family homestead. Come see our panel of distinguished neutrals and attorneys in action and watch how they make it work while negotiating complicated property ownership issues. The audience will provide feedback to the participants about what went well during the mediation – and what didn’t.

SEMINAR #8

Sarah. A Brooks

Tomasene A. Knight

Aaron, Riechert, Carpol & Riffle, APC

Arthur Harris

Kavin Williams

Murphy Pearson Bradley & Feeney

EMERGING ISSUES IN ESTATE PLANNING MATTERS: DIVORCE IN CONSERVATORSHIPS & CERTIFICATES OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Estate Planning and Probate Section

2 hours Estate Planning and Probate Specialization MCLE Credit

The panel will begin by focusing on the cross-over issues between incapacity and divorce, including the determination of a party’s capacity to divorce, asset management, appointing a *guardian ad litem*, navigating interactions between proceedings and much more. The panel will then move on to discuss the proper cultivation and execution of a comprehensive Certificate of Independent Review (“CIR”) plan, weighing the execution of a CIR against possible future litigation, beneficiaries who may contest changes in testamentary transfers, and how your previous representation could be challenged in future proceedings.

SEMINAR #9

Ann Dalsin

Dalsin Law, LLP

William Hickey

Law Offices of William A. Hickey

Andrew McCall

Law Office of Andrew J. McCall

David S. Pearson

Law Office of David S. Pearson

GOING SOLO: A PRACTICAL WORKSHOP ON STARTING YOUR OWN PRACTICE

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Solo and Small Firm Section

2 hours General MCLE Credit

Going Solo is a workshop event for those attorneys looking to venture out on their own to start their own practice as well as for those who are currently solo practitioners. Drawing on more than 50 years of collective experience, the presenters will take you through the basics and into the details of running your own law firm.

SEMINAR #10

Richard Boswell

UC Hastings College of Law

Ali Saidi

Contra Costa County Public
Defender's Office

TBD

Business Immigration Attorney

Moderator:

Peggy Bristol

Law Office of Peggy J. Bristol

CANARIES IN THE MINES: THE ENCROACHMENT ON CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS AND DUE PROCESS THAT EVEN A LAWYER MIGHT NOT RECOGNIZE

Sponsored by CCCBA and its Criminal Law and Immigration Law Sections

2 hours General MCLE Credit

The national debate on immigration involves numerous legal, political, and public policy issues that raise a host of subtle, nuanced constitutional questions and challenges. For example, how should a criminal practitioner advise a client on the immigration consequences of a guilty plea? This panel will discuss how current immigration policies affect criminal law, border security, travel bans, DACA litigation, immigration courts, employment visas, family-based immigration policies, asylum rules and sanctuary cities that have a restrictive effect on everyday American life from the most remote parts of the border to the Supreme Court itself.

SEMINAR #11

Carol M. Langford

University of San Francisco
School of Law

Les Schmidt

Bishop Ranch Intelligence Innovation
Accelerator

Patrick Jewik

Jordan Jones

Susan Pangborn

Nancy Stagg

Joseph R. Snyder Ph.D. (Moderator)

Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP

A.I. – NOT SO SCI FI ANY MORE: THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND ITS ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Intellectual Property Section

1 hour of Legal Ethics and 1 hour of General MCLE Credit

During the last decade, an increase in the use and capability of artificial intelligence ("AI"), has led to changes in the legal industry. Software powered by AI has taken over a significant amount of work done by lawyers. The panelists will give an overview of AI from a technology perspective and discuss the need for lawyers to understand that the "decisions" made by AI software raise significant legal questions, including those of liability. The panelists also will discuss how, when using AI-powered software to deliver legal services, lawyers still have the same duties to comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct including those governing legal ethics, competence, confidentiality and client communication.

SEMINAR #12

Hon. Judith Craddick

Contra Costa County Superior Court

Jessica A. Braverman

Braverman Mediation & Consulting

JoAnna Brooks

Littler Mendelson P.C.

#YouToo NEED TO LEARN HOW TO PREVENT #MeToo IN THE WORKPLACE

Co-sponsored by CCCBA and its Employment Law Section

2 hours Elimination of Bias MCLE Credit

Be armed with knowledge and the tools to address #MeToo in the law firm environment and how to guide your own clients. Learn what buzz words, actions and behaviors 'trigger' a neutral investigation, how to conduct a legally compliant investigation, and how to navigate through allegations of discrimination, harassment and abusive conduct, as well as pay equality. Review hypothetical examples designed for lawyers and law firms showing step-by-step how to properly respond to these issues reducing risk and eliminating bias in the workplace.

SEMINAR #13

Robin M. Pearson

Pearson & Schachter

Christina Weed

Mendes Weed, LLP
Weed Law, PC

WOMEN, BUSINESS & TAXES – TAKE YOUR SEAT AT THE TABLE

Sponsored by CCCBA and its Taxation and Women's Sections

1 hour General and 1 hour Tax Specialization MCLE Credit

Research shows that approximately 80 - 90% of women will be solely responsible for their finances at some point in their lives. Many women, however, report lower levels of financial/tax/business knowledge confidence than men. In addition to their lower confidence level, many women lawyers have the added stress of running their law firms. This program will summarize the new tax changes and how they affect law firm owners as well as discuss some of the top business and tax issues you should be aware of. Of course, we encourage men to attend as well.

REGISTRATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 16, 2018 MCLE SPECTACULAR

Please complete the registration form below, or visit www.cccbba.org to download an interactive PDF which you will need to print after completing. Complete one form for each attendee. Return this completed form via **Email, Fax, or US Mail** to: Anne K. Wolf, CCCBA | awolf@cccba.org | Fax: (925) 686-9867 | 2300 Clayton Road, Suite 520, Concord, CA 94520

FULL-DAY PACKAGE PRICING

TO ENJOY EARLY BIRD PRICING REGISTER BY OCTOBER 15

Early Bird (through 10/15)	\$275 Members	\$375 Non-members
Full Fee (10/16 - 11/9)	\$325 Members	\$425 Non-members
Day of Event Registration (if available)	\$350 Members	\$450 Non-members

**Last Day to
Register:**
Friday, Nov. 9

FULL-DAY PACKAGE – 8 CREDITS

Includes the breakfast, lunch and plenary sessions as well as the Cocktail Reception, along with a choice of one morning and one afternoon seminar – **PLUS as a Bonus** a free legal ethics self-study MCLE article.

Your Morning Seminar choice: # _____ (choose from Sessions #1-6)

Your Afternoon Seminar choice: # _____ (choose from Sessions #7-13)

Your Lunch Choice: ☐ Steak ☐ Salmon ☐ Vegetarian

Early Bird Price (through Oct. 15)

Full-Day Package:

CCCBA & ACBA
Members **\$275** | Non-Members **\$375**

Full Fee Price (Oct. 16 - Nov. 9)

CCCBA & ACBA
Members **\$325** | Non-Members **\$425**

INDIVIDUAL SEMINARS

Early Bird Price (through Oct. 15)

Full Fee Price (Oct. 16 - Nov. 9)

CHOOSE ONE - MORNING SEMINAR 9:45 - 11:45 AM – 2 CREDITS

- #1 SLAPP & 998 Update: What You Don't Know or Don't Do Could Sink You
- #2 Lights, Camera, Action: Preparing to Mediate – A Three-Act Play
- #3 Love Hurts - Elder Abuse in Romantic Relationships
- #4 Be Wary of Non-Marital Relationships and Real Estate Ownership
- #5 A Lawyer Walks into a Business Venture: Legal Ethics of Lawyers' Equity
- #6 Transition is a Many Splendored Thing!

Individual Seminars:

CCCBA & ACBA
Members **\$80** | Non-Members **\$100**

CCCBA & ACBA
Members **\$90** | Non-Members **\$110**

CHOOSE ONE - AFTERNOON SEMINAR 1:45 - 3:45 PM – 2 CREDITS

- #7 Real Property Mediation at its Best – and Worst
- #8 Emerging Issues in Estate Planning Matters
- #9 Going Solo: A Practical Workshop on Starting Your Own Practice
- #10 Encroachment on Constitutional Protections by Immigration Laws
- #11 A.I. - Use in the Legal Profession and Ethical Considerations
- #12 #YOUTOO Need to Learn How to Prevent #METOO in the Workplace
- #13 Women, Business & Taxes – Take Your Seat at the Table

INDIVIDUAL KEYNOTE SESSIONS

Early Bird Price (through Oct. 15)

Full Fee Price (Oct. 16 - Nov. 9)

Breakfast Kickoff Only (1 General Credit)

Members **\$60** | Non-Members **\$70**

Members **\$65** | Non-Members **\$75**

Luncheon Keynote Only (.5 EOB, .5 General Credit) ☐ Steak ☐ Salmon ☐ Vegetarian

Members **\$70** | Non-Members **\$95**

Members **\$75** | Non-Members **\$100**

Afternoon Plenary Only (1 EOB Credit)

Members **\$55** | Non-Members **\$65**

Members **\$65** | Non-Members **\$75**

COCKTAIL RECEPTION ☐ For Sure ☐ Maybe ☐ Sorry, No

Complimentary – Hosted by Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton, LLP

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM FOR EACH ATTENDEE:

TOTAL \$

Name: _____ State Bar #: _____ ☐ ACBA Member

Email: _____ Phone: _____

You will receive an email confirmation. **Please note:** Materials will be **not** available at the event. Materials will only be available online beginning November 9.

PAYMENT: Credit Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ **OR** Check # _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Special Requests: _____

Cancellations **must** be received by **November 9** or registrants will be subject to full charge. Substitutions of attendees permitted at any time.

For further information, contact Anne K. Wolf at (925) 370-2540 | awolf@cccba.org

The Contra Costa County Bar Association certifies that the activities listed herein have been approved for the hours of MCLE credit, as indicated, by the State Bar of California MCLE Provider #393.

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SCHEDULE

8:00 am
REGISTRATION OPENS

8:30 - 9:30 am
BREAKFAST KICKOFF

9:45 - 11:45 am
**CONCURRENT
MORNING SEMINARS**
• Choose from 6 Seminars

12:00 - 1:30 pm
LUNCHEON KEYNOTE

1:45 - 3:45 pm
**CONCURRENT
AFTERNOON SEMINARS**
• Choose from 7 Seminars

4:00 - 5:00 pm
AFTERNOON PLENARY

5:00 - 6:30 pm
COCKTAIL RECEPTION

BONUS!

SIGN UP FOR THE FULL DAY

...and as a **BONUS** you will
receive:

- A FREE Self-Study Article for
1 Legal Ethics MCLE credit



PARKING

The Walnut Creek Marriott is extending a special all-day valet parking rate of \$8 for its on-site spots. Additional free and fee parking available nearby.

BREAKFAST KICKOFF

HON. LEONDR A KRUGER

Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California

A Conversation with California Supreme Court Associate Justice Leondra Kruger

Wendy McGuire Coats, CCCBA's President-elect will lead a Q & A session with Associate Justice Leondra Kruger.

1 hour General MCLE credit

LUNCHEON KEYNOTE

DAVID KELLY

Golden State Warriors General Counsel & Vice President of Basketball Management & Strategy

Charting a Diverse Path in the Legal Profession

Along with taking us down his own career path, David Kelly will discuss current topics in sports law and elaborate on issues related to the entitlement and construction of the Chase Center and the related development.

.50 hours Elimination of Bias and .50 hours General MCLE credit

AFTERNOON PLENARY

HON. JILL FANNIN

Contra Costa County Superior Court Presiding Judge

HON. BARRY BASKIN

Contra Costa County Superior Court Assistant Presiding Judge

Implicit Bias in the Courtroom

Everyone has implicit biases. Some of them may make you less effective in a courtroom. Judges Fannin and Baskin will discuss the impact of implicit bias in the courtroom.

1 hour Elimination of Bias MCLE Credit

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

COCKTAIL RECEPTION

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during and after the event