A Creative Response to the Economic Crisis

PATRICIA M. HYNES, PRESIDENT

Law students graduating right now are finding fewer job opportunities because law firms are losing clients and billings due to the economy. At the same time, disadvantaged New Yorkers are facing increased need and reduced funding for legal services.

In response, the legal community has come up with an idea that may just help all involved: firms are offering stipends to incoming associates to defer their start in order to work for up to a year at a public-interest legal services provider. The City Bar is helping out by playing a coordinating role based on its strong relationship with firms and nonprofits.

Our involvement began in early March, when we arranged with the New York State Interest on Lawyer Account Fund (IOLA) to email a survey to all IOLA funded programs in New York regarding their need for assistance and ability to host law firm deferred associates for the coming year. The response was strong, as we soon had 43 participating organizations with over 200 available positions in areas including foreclosure and bankruptcy, health issues, immigration, environmental issues, domestic violence, criminal defense, family law, veterans’ advocacy and more.

We created a database of public-interest opportunities for deferred associates and posted it on our Web site at http://www.nycbar.org/Fellowship_Opportunities.htm. We hope it will be a ready resource for the firms’ pro bono coordinators and professional development staff, who have largely been responsible for helping the law graduates find positions.

Of course, as with all uncharted territory, there are numerous questions and issues to consider, and the City Bar recently gathered representatives from public-interest organizations and law firms to discuss them. Among the issues that have come up are many related to employment structure and the level of integration into the organization in which the attorney is placed.

While we expect many law school graduates to embrace the prospect of working for a public-interest organization—indeed, many of us went to law school in the first place in order to make a difference—we realize that many will have prepared for a very different type of work. Because public interest law requires its own set of skills, the City Bar will be offering training for associates who are deferring their corporate careers to work at a nonprofit. Conversely, we also intend to offer training and advice on transitioning from the nonprofit to the firm.

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We have high hopes that the deferrals will help fill a gap in funding to meet the needs of low-income clients. On the State level, IOLA receipts are plummeting from last year’s levels and New York State has cut its support of legal services funding dramatically. City funding is also expected to be down along with the rest of the city budget. On the federal level, although the 2009 budget saw a $40 million increase, it is still not enough to approach historic funding levels with inflation.

Just as the bar was able to come together after the tragedy of 9/11 to meet victims’ needs, we are again seeing attorneys rise to the occasion to volunteer their services for the public good. And we think the deferral response can be a winner all around: New York’s neediest get increased access to legal services, law-school graduates get great hands-on experience helping people and causes, the nonprofits get needed resources and the firms get budget relief while continuing to bring top talent into the profession. ■

Volunteers Sought for Monday Night LAW

The New York City Bar Association’s Committee on Legal Services for Persons of Moderate Means is seeking volunteer attorneys to staff the Monday Night Legal Advisory Workshop, which begins its 19th year this fall.

Monday Night LAW addresses the need for affordable and accessible legal assistance in a clinic setting each week. During 30-minute appointments, clients and volunteer attorneys discuss problems in the areas of housing, employment, family/divorce, consumer, personal bankruptcy and small business law. The volunteer attorneys do not take any cases, but they distribute materials, provide explanations and suggestions to help clients understand and find solutions to their legal problems, and make referrals, where appropriate, to the Legal Referral Service or other legal services providers.

Volunteer attorneys must commit to attending the program one Monday evening per month from October 2009 through the end of August 2010, at the bar association. New volunteers also must attend a two-part training held at the bar association from 5:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on September 15th and 22nd, 2009. Attendees are eligible for continuing legal education credit for the live trainings.

No prior experience in the topics covered is necessary; however, volunteers must have been admitted to practice for a minimum of two years. For more information or an application to participate, please provide full contacts, including an e-mail address that accepts attachments, to MondayNightLaw@gmail.com. The application form and background information will be sent by e-mail in mid-August. ■

Lawyers’ Foreclosure Intervention Network Training

June 17th and 18th
Day 1: 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM
Day 2: 8:30 AM – 1 PM

In addition to reviewing basic foreclosure defense, the training will focus on handling settlement conferences under the recent State legislation mandating them, and applying for loan modifications under President Obama’s new plan, “Making Homes Affordable.” Attendees are expected to represent at least one client pro bono from the City Bar Justice Center in exchange for the free CLE training.

For more information, please contact Ben Seibel at bseibel@nycbar.org

City Bar Celebrates Diversity

On May 27th, the New York City Bar’s Enhance Diversity in the Profession Committee presented the Fourth Annual Diversity Champion Awards, which recognize lawyers who have played a critical role in initiating and sustaining change within their organizations and the overall New York legal community. The 2009 Diversity Champion Award winners are:

LaShann DeArcy
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Hon. Charles J. Hynes
Kings County District Attorney
James R. Silkenat
Partner, Arent Fox LLP

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UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

Law School and Employer Perspectives: Counseling and Employment of Re-Entering Attorneys
TUESDAY, JULY 21, 9 AM

Representatives from law schools, bar associations, law firms and corporate employers will share invaluable information and resources that will help you to counsel and assist in the employment of this growing constituency to benefit both your alumni and your law school. Attorneys considering re-entry are also welcome to attend.

The Scots Are Coming!
TUESDAY, JULY 21, 7:15 PM

Faculty of Advocates Choir of Edinburgh, Scotland, joins the City Bar Chorus for the first time, in a festive concert marking the 213th anniversary of the death of Scotland’s legendary poet Robert Burns.

What It Is Like to Practice Law as a Woman
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 6 PM
CITY BAR EVENTS

Legal and Practical Consequences of a Sex Offender Adjudication

1 MONDAY, 6 PM

This panel discussion will advise lawyers of the many civil consequences of sex offender adjudication and discuss the hurdles faced when sex offenders return to society, including housing restrictions, employment barriers, registration requirements and parole restrictions, and possible civil commitment. The panelists have experience representing sex offenders facing legal and practical barriers to reentry.

Moderator: RICHARD FRIEDMAN, New Jersey Department of the Public Advocate, Division of Mental Health Advocacy, Northern Regional Office

Speakers: ROLAND ACEVEDO, Seiff Kretz & Abercrombie; ROBERT GENN, former Coordinator, Offender and Ex-Offender Services, NYS Department of Labor; SADIE ISHEE, Mental Hygiene Legal Service; ALFRED O’CONNOR, NYS Defender Association

Overcoming Gender Perceptions in Achieving Leadership Success

Second Annual Breakfast Panel on Women and Leadership

2 TUESDAY, 8:30 AM – 10 AM

Panelists will draw on their experience in the public and private sectors to address how women can and do employ a variety of leadership styles and techniques to overcome subconscious stereotyping, gender-based perceptions and other challenges to their leadership success.

Moderator: BETTINA B. PLEVAN, Proskauer Rose LLP

Speakers: DALE CENDALI, Kirkland & Ellis LLP; ESTA STECHER, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.; MARISSA WESELY, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP; LAI SUN YEE, Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Studies Distinguished Fellow; former NYS Assistant Deputy Secretary for Homeland Security

The fee, which includes breakfast, is $15 for members, $25 for non-members. For further information, please contact Robin Alperstein at 212.888.3033. Please register online at www.nycbar.org

Henry L. Stimson Medal Presentation

2 TUESDAY, 6 PM

A presentation of awards to four outstanding assistant U.S. attorneys from the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. A reception will follow.

Moderator: MARK R. HELLERER, Chair, Stimson Medal Committee

Presenter: PATRICIA M. HYNES, President, New York City Bar

Running Out of Water?
The Future of Water Supply, Quantity and Quality

3 WEDNESDAY, 6:30 PM – 8 PM

Water scarcity, supply and quality are critical issues facing the United States and the world. Population growth, energy needs and climate change put increasing demands on finite water resources for drinking water, agriculture, endangered species protection and other uses. The panel will discuss water supply, quality and use at the local, state, national and international levels, defining the key issues and how they might best be addressed.

Moderator: KATHY ROBB, Hunton & Williams LLP

Speakers: JON FREEDMAN, GE Water and Process Technologies; KATHRYN GARCIA, Assistant Commissioner, NYC Office of Strategic Projects; DOUG MILLER, General Counsel, Central Arizona Water Conservation District; DAVID SUNDING, University of California at Berkeley and the Berkeley Water Center; SANDRA ALLEN, Director of the Clean and Safe Water Initiative, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Co-sponsored by the Environmental Law Institute, Washington, DC

Puppy Mills: The True Cost of That Doggie in the Window

3 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM

Where do pet stores get their puppies? What are puppy mills? How are dogs treated on
these large scale dog-breeding farms? Learn about nationwide legislative efforts to stop the abuse and neglect of dogs that are part of the puppy mill industry.

This program will explore the various problems linked to puppy mills, including the poor physical health and socialization problems of puppy mill puppies, the cruel treatment of the breeding females, and the link between puppy mills and the societal phenomenon of unwanted dogs. The diverse program speakers will discuss current legislative initiatives across the U.S. and in New York to regulate puppy mills, as well as humane enforcement programs to stop abuse and neglect on these farms.

Moderators:
FRANCES CARLISLE, Law Office of Frances Carlisle; MELISSA GILLESPIE, Law Office of Melissa Gillespie

Speakers:
ROBERT BAKER, Investigator, Animal Cruelty initiatives; ELLEN HIRSHBERG, ASPCA’s Bergh Memorial Animal Hospital, Member of the ASPCA’s forensic/disaster response team; STEPHANIE SHAIN, Director, Humane Society of the United States Stop Puppy Mills campaign

Please register online at www.nycbar.org

New York Wine Tasting
Young Lawyers Connect—First Thursdays Series

4 THURSDAY, 6 PM

Join us for this walk-around tasting of some of New York’s best vineyards while mingling with other attorneys and young professionals. Light hors d’oeuvres will be served.

Featuring Bedell Cellars, Boué, Clover Point, Corey Creek Vineyards, Dr. Konstan tin Frank Vinifera Wine Cellars, The Lenz Winery, Macari Vineyards, Martha Clara Vineyards and Waters Crest Winery.

Sponsored by ClearChannel, New York Law Journal and Vault

The fee is $35 for members, $60 for non-members. We will not be able to offer refunds. Please register online at www.nycbar.org or call 212.382.4723.

Friday Evening Chamber Music

5 FRIDAY, 6 PM

The program will include Bach’s Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 (oboe Cynthia Campbell, flautist Barbara Thomashower, et al.), a Telemann Trio Sonata (Ms. Campbell, Ms. Thomashower, et al.) and Rebecca Clarke’s Passacaglia (violist Katherine McHale and pianist Verna MacCormack).

Suggested donation is $10 at the door. For more information, please e-mail chambermusic@nycbar.org

Stranger in a Strange Land:
Cross-Cultural Issues in the Courts

8 MONDAY, 6:30 PM – 8 PM

Increasingly, immigrants are pleading “the cultural defense,” invoking the traditions of their homelands. “Cultural evidence” is playing a role in many other cases—both civil and criminal. In this highly engaging presentation, attendees will use hand-held technology to “vote” on real-life cases. Should the adage “all men are presumed to know the law” apply to recent immigrants? You be the judge. Professor Renteln will be signing copies of her award-winning book, The Cultural Defense, following the program. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Welcoming Remarks:
PATRICIA M. HYNES, President, New York City Bar

Moderator:
JONATHAN TURLEY, Professor, George Washington University School of Law; MSNBC Commentator/Analyst; Contributor, USA Today

Speakers:
ALISON DUNDES RENTELN, Professor, Political Science & Anthropology, University of Southern California; Lawyer and Author, The Cultural Defense; RENE L. VALLADARES, Chief, Trial/Appellate Division, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Las Vegas; Editor/Contributor, Cultural Issues in Criminal Defense; MARK J. MILLS, JD, MD, Nationally-renowned Forensic Psychiatrist; HON. BERNICE B. DONALD, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee; Secretary, American Bar Association; Frequent Consultant on International Rule of Law

Program Chair:
HON. DELISSA A. RIDGWAY, U.S. Court of International Trade

Please register online at www.nycbar.org

Project Finance in a Nutshell

10 WEDNESDAY, 6:30 PM – 8 PM

This event, designed primarily for summer associates and others interested in exploring a legal career in project finance, will provide attendees with an introduction to project finance transactions and the opportunity to learn more about law practice in this exciting field from a panel of diverse practitioners.

Speakers:
JULIA A. CZARNIAK, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP; IVAN E. MATTEI, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP; ROBERT M. VILTER, Reed Smith LLP

Please register online at www.nycbar.org

Communication, Presentation and Oral Advocacy Skills

Professional Development Workshop Series – The Essentials

11 THURSDAY, 8:30 AM – 10 AM

Presentation skills are vital for associates, whether they are conducting a meeting, engaging with senior partners, working with clients or arguing a case. The ability to deliver information with poise and command is essential for instilling confidence and establishing oneself as a skilled attorney. At this program, attorneys will learn to enhance advocacy skills and demonstrate competence and authority to achieve desired results.

Participants will learn to create a personal appearance that conveys confidence; use their body language, facial expressions and vocal tones for the most effective outcomes; and take command of the audience and instill trust.

Speaker:
BECCA DIAZ-BONILLA, JD, Consultant

1.5 transitional/non-transitional NY CLE credits in skills provided. Fee and registration information are available at www.nycbar.org
Business Opportunities
Through the Association’s Legal Referral Service
Small Law Firm Luncheon
11 THURSDAY, 12:30 PM – 2 PM
Are you looking to expand your client base? Would you like to join the panel to receive referrals from the Association’s Legal Referral Service (LRS), which is the oldest and largest referral service in New York State and receives 300 to 500 calls each day from people looking for legal representation? Please attend this luncheon program to learn how LRS works and how it can help you.
Moderator: MARK A. JOSEPHSON, CPA, CFP, CFE, Murray & Josephson, CPAs, LLC
Speaker: ALLEN CHARNE, Director, City Bar Legal Referral Service
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Registration by June 8 is necessary. The fee, which includes lunch, is $25 for members, $35 for non-members. Please register on page 8 or online at www.nycbar.org

Fourth Annual Conference on International Arbitration and Mediation
15 MONDAY, 9 AM – 6 PM AND
16 TUESDAY, 9 AM – 1:15 PM
The conference will bring together leading international arbitrators, mediators, practitioners and scholars to discuss contemporary issues in international arbitration and mediation.
Please note this event will take place at Fordham Law School McNally Amphitheatre, located at 140 West 62nd Street in Manhattan. For additional information and online registration, please visit law.fordham.edu/arbitration

Getting Back in the Game: How to Restart Your Career in a Down Economy
16 TUESDAY, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Affected by the current financial crisis, many lawyers are finding themselves looking for employment. This program is designed to assist job-seeking attorneys in learning how best to market themselves whether they are looking to go to a firm, start their own practice or are considering an alternative legal career.
9:45 AM
Welcome by PATRICIA M. HYNES, President, New York City Bar
10 AM
Breaking Back into a Large Law Firm: How to Make Your Way Back into a Top Law Firm
Moderator: BRIAN DALTON, Senior Law Editor, Vault.com
Speakers: DAVID LAT, Executive Editor, AboveTheLaw.com; T.J. DUANE, Principal, Lateral Link; HELEN LONG, Director of Recruiting, Ropes & Gray LLP; JOHN J. CANNON III, Hiring Partner, Shearman & Sterling LLP
11:30 AM
Casting a Wider Net: The Rise of the Small to Mid-Sized Law Firm
Moderator: ALLA ROYBERG, Solo Practitioner; Director, City Bar Small Law Firm Center
Speakers: PAUL LIPPE, CEO, Legal On-Ramp; CORIN LINDSLEY, Managing Director, Major Lindsey & Africa; RON GEFFNER, Sadis & Goldberg
12:45 PM – 1:45 PM
Lunch
1:45 PM
Alternative Legal Careers: Exploring the Range of Options With Your JD
Moderator: MAUREEN REID, Maureen M. Reid, LLC
Speakers: TANYA GILL, DLA Piper; HILLARY MANTIS, Career Coach, Author, Alternative Careers for Lawyers and Jobs For Lawyers; Effective Techniques for Getting Hired in Today’s Legal Marketplace; LISA SOLOMAN, Founder, Lisa Solomon, Esq., Legal Research and Writing; Owner, Legal Research and Writing; Owner; CAROLINE CENIZA-LEVINE, SixFigureStart.com
3:15 PM
Start Up LLP: Creating Your Own Law Firm
Moderator: OLIVERA MEDENICA, Chair, Small Law Firms Committee
Speakers: JEREMY SALAND, Crotty & Saland; CAROLYN ELEFANT, Author, Solo By Choice, myshingle.com; ALLA ROYBERG, Solo Practitioner; Director, City Bar Small Law Firm Center
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Helping the Solo/Small Firm Equalize the Legal Playing Field and Dominate the Online Playing Field
18 THURSDAY, 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM
This two-hour program will feature two educational sessions presented by subject-matter experts from two Thomson Reuters businesses, Westlaw and FindLaw, designed to improve your solo or small firm’s efficiency and effectiveness in order to enable you to compete with the “Big Guys.”
The fee, which includes lunch, is $25 for members, $35 for non-members. Please register online at www.nycbar.org

Summer Associates Annual Reception
18 THURSDAY, 6 PM – 8 PM
The New York City Bar and the New York Law Journal will host the annual welcoming cocktail reception in honor of summer associates, their mentors and colleagues. Special thanks to Educational Housing Services, Emanuel Bar Review, Practical Law Company, CityPass, HB Burger, Heartland Brewery and Zagat.
Please register online at www.nycbar.org
Leadership and Law Practice – A Contemplative Approach
City Bar Contemplative Lawyers Group
18 THURSDAY, 7 PM
How can we provide effective leadership in our organizations and help cultivate our colleagues, whether we are a senior partner, a junior associate, a member of a legal staff or the only lawyer around? Robert Chender, a certified mindfulness meditation teacher and practicing attorney, will give guided meditation instruction and a presentation, and there will be plenty of time for discussion. No prior meditation experience is necessary.
Please register online at www.nycbar.org

The Annual City Bar Reception in Honor of Pride Week
23 TUESDAY, 6 PM – 8 PM
The Association is hosting a reception celebrating NYC’s Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Pride Week 2009. This year's reception will honor Elaine Arabatzis, Diversity and Pro Bono Counsel, Dickstein Shapiro LLP, and Suzanne B. Goldberg, Clinical Professor of Law, Columbia University School of Law, for their significant contributions to LGBT communities.
Co-sponsored by The Lesbian Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Law Association of Greater New York (LeGaL), The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center and Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE)
Please register online at www.nycbar.org

Taking Control of Your Career—Steps to a Successful Transition
24 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 8 PM
Are you looking for new challenges? Are you considering changes in your career? Are you facing retirement? Join us and participate in an informal, interactive program with a prominent career advisor experienced in helping people develop strategies for successful career transition.

Speaker:
ALEXANDRA DURAN, MSW, CSW, JD, Career Advisor
Registration by June 19 is recommended to guarantee admission. Please register online at www.nycbar.org

Issues Facing Returning Veterans with PTSD and TBI
24 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 8 PM
A record number of veterans are returning from Iraq and Afghanistan with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and/or Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI). They face daunting medical and legal issues. A distinguished panel of professionals, including a practicing judge, a clinical psychologist expert in PTSD and TBI, and veterans’ advocates, will discuss some of those issues, including the nature and effects of TBI and PTSD, involvement of veterans in the criminal justice system and issues veterans face in dealing with the health care system and in pursing disability benefits.

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Securities Arbitration & Mediation Hot Topics 2009: THE Program for Attorneys, In-house Counsel, Experts, Arbitrators & Mediators

9 TUESDAY, 9 AM – 12 PM; 12 PM – 1 PM NETWORKING LUNCHEON (INCLUDED)

Recent events in the financial marketplace have brought substantial changes to securities arbitrations and mediations. A premier faculty of experienced practitioners and the Regional Director of FINRA Dispute Resolution will examine rule changes, decisions and proposals. This program delivers practical suggestions and tested advice on prosecuting and defending securities arbitrations and mediations. Interactive audience participation is a key feature of this program.

Co-sponsored by FINRA, NFA, NYCLA’s Committee on Arbitration &ADR, CPR International Institute for Dispute Prevention & Resolution

In cooperation with the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution

Program Chair: ROGER M. DEITZ, Dispute Resolution

Faculty:
KATHERINE M. BAYER, Regional Director, FINRA Dispute Resolution, Northeast Regional Office;
RICHELLE S. KENNEDY, Vice President & Associate General Counsel, FMR LLC Legal Department;
ROBIN E. NACKMAN, Nackman & Feinberg, LLP;
RICHARD P. RYDER, President, Securities Arbitration Commentator;
BRIAN SMILEY, Smiley Bishop & Porter, LLP; MIKE N. UNGAR, Ulmer & Berne, LLP

Credit: 3.0 PP*

A Mediation Career: Getting Started

17 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM

Is mediation for you? Are you thinking of taking mediation training or wondering how to get started after that training? Have you begun mediating and want to find more opportunities to do so? This interactive seminar will discuss what mediation entails and its role in New York City’s legal community and will provide practical advice on how to start mediating.

The panelists are established mediators with very different backgrounds, who will share their experiences and offer concrete, practical advice. The session will cover the various types of mediation and the fields in which mediation is most utilized, as well as discuss both volunteer and paid opportunities for mediators.

Program Chair: NANCY KRAMER, Mediator & Arbitrator, Nancy Kramer Mediation & Other Dispute Resolution Services

Faculty:
ALAN E. GROSS, PhD, Special Projects Coordinator, Safe Horizon Mediation Program;
JANICE TUDY-JACKSON, Collaboration & Conflict Management Consultant & Adjunct Professor, Columbia Law School;
MARIA R. VOLPE, PhD, Professor of Sociology, Director, Dispute Resolution Program, Director, CUNY Dispute Resolution Consortium, John Jay College of Criminal Justice;
DANIEL M. WEITZ, Coordinator, ADR Programs, NYS Unified Court System

Credit: 3.0 PP*

Video Replay: Women in Negotiation: Practical Tips to Strengthen Your Negotiation Skills (For You & Your Clients)

29 MONDAY, 9 AM – 12:30 PM

Do you feel your negotiation skills can be improved? Are you as effective at the negotiation table or in day-to-day negotiations as you would like to be? Using interactive discussions and humor, this program, based on characteristics of effective negotiators, introduces the perceived differences between men and women in communicative preferences, attitudes towards conflict, negotiating styles and ways of processing information. The program, led by highly effective negotiators and mediators, provides practical tips on how to prepare for negotiation and identify the most important aspects of persuading someone else to agree. It also exposes gender specific behaviors that undermine power in negotiation and teaches ways to equalize perceived power imbalances.

Program Co-Chairs:
MARGARET L. SHAW, Mediator/Arbitrator, JAMS; PAMELA R. ESTERMAN, Sive, Paget & Riesel PC; STEPHANIE MORSE-SHAMOSH, Director, UBS Financial Services, Inc.

See www.nycbar.org for full faculty listing.

Credit: 3.5 total: 3.0 skills & 0.5 PP

AVIATION

Aviation on Trial!

4 THURSDAY, 8:30 AM – 6:15 PM;
6:15 – 7:15 PM NETWORKING COCKTAIL RECEPTION

This program will present discussion panels on a variety of timely aviation industry issues, as well as a condensed mock aviation trial by

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**CREDIT**

Elder Law

**Updates in Elder Law Issues**

2 TUESDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM

Planning for long-term care expenses and ensuring appropriate decision-making and housing options to protect your clients with disabilities requires that you stay up to date with all the changes in the law. At this seminar a panel of experts will discuss recent changes and provide advice on how to protect your clients. Medicare, Medicaid, private financing options and guardianships, as well as other changes that affect the practice of elder law and planning for persons with disabilities, will all be discussed.

Program Chair:

RUSSELL N. ADLER, Epstein, Becker & Green, P.C.

Faculty:

VALERIE J. BOGART, Director, Evelyn Frank Legal Resources Program, Selfhelp Community Services, Inc.; JAMES CAHILL, JR, Cahill & Cahill PC; RONALD A. FATOULLAH, Ronald Fatoullah & Associates; JUDITH D. GRIMALDI, Grimaldi & Yeung LLP; HENRY MONTAG, CFP, CLTC, Henry Montag Associates; PETER J. STRAUSS, Epstein, Becker & Green, P.C.

**Credit:** 3.0 PP*

Corporate & Securities

**Unwinding Hedge & Private Equity Funds**

5 FRIDAY, 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

This course will provide step-by-step guidance for in-house attorneys, attorneys at law firms, and investors’ attorneys on how to unwind funds and what the practical implications are. The program will include a checklist of issues to consider and steps to take for both investors and the funds. Dealing with excessive withdrawals, short-term poor performance, recognition of fund terms and, most importantly, the economic arrangements related to fund agreements and the unwinds will be covered.

Program Chair:

N. ADELE HOGAN, White & Case LLP

**Credit:** 2.0 PP*

Estate Planning

**Income Taxation of Trusts, Estates & Beneficiaries**

9 TUESDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM

Income taxation of trusts and estates has attained a heightened level of prominence. Yet while estate tax concepts are generally familiar to trusts and estates practitioners, income tax concepts are often an uncharted frontier.
A panel of speakers will address a series of issues relating to the income taxation of trusts, estates and beneficiaries. Topics will range from the fundamentals of fiduciary income taxation, including distributable net income, to cutting edge issues involving state income taxation, recent court decisions and the Section 643 regulations. Special sessions will also be devoted to the grantor trust rules and the rules governing foreign trusts, including reporting requirements (and traps for the unwary). This program should prove helpful to tax and trusts and estates practitioners of various levels of experience.

Program Chair:
KEVIN MATZ, Adams & Matz LLP

Faculty:
STEPHANIE E. HEILBORN, Heilborn LLC;
ROBERT A. KLIPSTEIN, Ballon Stoll Bader & Nadler PC; ALVINA H. LO, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP; JANE TSE, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP

Credit: 3.0 PP*

Video Replay: The Cans & Can’ts of Trust Decanting: How to Pay Over Assets from One Trust to Another
22 MONDAY, 9 AM – 12 PM

A trustee’s power to pay over assets from one trust to another is a valuable technique. Whether relying on common law, EPTL 10-6.6(b), or another state statute specifically authorizing a transfer, the ability to pour over or “decant” assets from one trust to another permits a trustee to accomplish tax goals, change provisions relating to trustees, add or delete spendthrift provisions, and achieve many other planning objectives. This program addresses the prerequisites for taking advantage of this powerful tool, provides drafting tips and practical advice about the potential uses of decanting and explains when decanting is unavailable. This program is aimed at lawyers with a basic understanding of the drafting and administration of trusts.

Program Chair:
PAMELA V. A. EHRENKRANZ, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz

See www.nycbar.org for full faculty listing.
Credit: 3.0 total: 2.0 PP, 0.5 skills & 0.5 ethics

ETHICS

Ethics for the Bankruptcy Practitioner
3 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 8:15 PM

Because of their unique all-in-one roles as litigators, deal lawyers, mediators and financial counselors, attorneys practicing bankruptcy law are faced with numerous and often complex ethical issues. A panel of experienced practitioners and judges will cover important topics, such as conflicts of interest, Rule 2014 disclosure issues, attorney-client privilege and unique issues arising in consumer bankruptcy cases.

Program Chair:
STEVEN WILAMOWSKY, Bingham McCutchen LLP

Faculty:
HON. ARTHUR J. GONZALEZ, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York; JOHN T. McMANUS, Director, Pro Bono Consumer Bankruptcy Project, City Bar Justice Center; HON. ELIZABETH S. STONG, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York; HARVEY A. STRICKON, Paul Hastings Janofsky & Walker LLP

Credit: 2.5 ethics*

Current Ethical Issues for the Entertainment Lawyer
15 MONDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM

This program will focus on the ethical issues faced by transactional entertainment lawyers representing clients in music, film, television and theater. We will discuss the potential impact on entertainment practitioners of the adoption of the new Rules of Professional Conduct, in effect since April 1. We will also review the Standards of Civility. Hypothetical fact situations will be utilized. This program will cover the ethical ground rules and provide an update on current practices.

Program Chair:
DANIEL J. KRAMER, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton, & Garrison LLP

Faculty:
PIERRE M. GENTIN, Managing Director & Head of Litigation, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC; BARRY W. RASHKOVER, Sidley Austin LLP; ANDREW E. TOMBACK, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP; MICHAEL R. YOUNG, Willkie, Farr & Gallagher LLP

Credit: 2.0 ethics*

Program Chair:
GARY E. REDENTE, Cowan DeBaets Abrahms & Sheppard LLP

Faculty:
DAVID G. KEYKO, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP; RICHARD M. MALTZ, Richard M. Maltz, PLLC; PROFESSOR JACK P. SAHL, Faculty Director of the Miller-Becker Institute for Professional Responsibility, University of Akron School of Law

Credit: 3.0 ethics*

Ethics in the Practice of Securities Law 2009
18 THURSDAY, 9 AM – 11 AM

This program will address ethical and legal issues that corporate and outside counsel face in advising corporations, directors and officers, handling shareholder and derivative suits, and responding to government investigations. A role play scenario involving the discovery of possible accounting irregularities at a public company will include panels of corporate counsel, outside counsel, auditor’s counsel and SEC counsel. Topics will include attorney-client privilege when representing a corporate entity, multiple representations, issues regarding internal investigations, responses to client misconduct, issues dealing with outside auditors and the impact of the Sarbanes-Oxley legislation. This program’s updated content will entitle attendees to CLE credit if they attended the 2008 program.

Program Chair:
DANIEL J. KRAMER, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton, & Garrison LLP

Faculty:
PAMAYE M. GENTIN, Managing Director & Head of Litigation, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC; BARRY W. RASHKOVER, Sidley Austin LLP; ANDREW E. TOMBACK, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP; MICHAEL R. YOUNG, Willkie, Farr & Gallagher LLP

Credit: 2.0 ethics*

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Standards for Prosecuting Corporate Fraud by Federal & State Agencies: The Impact of the Revised Justice Department Charging Guidelines

23 Tuesday, 6 PM – 8:15 PM

This program will review the revised DOJ guidelines for prosecuting corporate fraud (adopted in August 2008) and related issues, including privilege waiver in the context of investigations by federal and state agencies and prosecutors who are not governed by the DOJ guidelines. The panel will feature federal and state prosecutors and practitioners who will discuss how the new charging guidelines have been applied in practice in the ten months since their adoption and how other agencies have addressed similar issues.

Program Co-Chairs:
GREGORY G. BALLARD, Howrey LLP; MARILYN C. KUNSTLER (MODERATOR), Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP

Faculty:
ANDREW M. CALAMARI, Associate Regional Director, U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission; JEFFREY A. GOLDBERG, Senior Trial Counsel, Business & Securities Fraud Section, U.S. Attorney’s Office, Eastern District of New York; PROFESSOR BRUCE A. GREEN, Fordham University School of Law; HARLAN A. LEVY, Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP; SUSAN L. MERRILL, Executive Vice President, Chief of Enforcement, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority; BREON S. PEACE, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP; RICHARD T. PREISS, Assistant District Attorney, Senior Investigative Counsel, New York County District Attorney’s Office

Credit: 2.5 ethics*

Video Replay: Ethics in the Electronic Age: Be Careful When Using That Cell Phone, BlackBerry, Blog, Social Network…

24 Wednesday, 6 PM - 8:45 PM

Using technology to communicate with clients, the court and the public is a necessary part of a lawyer’s job. But incorrectly using those tools can lead to disaster, particularly when it comes to client confidences and secrets. This program addresses common mistakes that lawyers have made with cell phones, speaker phones, voicemail, e-mail and wireless handheld devices like BlackBerrys. Additionally, the program addresses new means of sharing documents with the court system, with guidance on how to use those systems ethically and efficiently. Finally, the audience will learn about how the next generation of Internet communications (e.g., blogs and social networks) carry with them even greater risks to go with their benefits.

Program Chair:
JEREMY R. FEINBERG, Statewide Special Counsel for Ethics, NYS Office of Court Administration

See www.nycbar.org for full faculty listing.

Credit: 3.0 ethics

INSURANCE

Current Issues in D&O Liability & Insurance 2009

11 Thursday, 8:30 AM – 2 PM

Directors and officers of corporations constantly face increasing liability from both national and international litigation. These exposures can result in highly publicized situations, such as, recently, the extreme volatility in the stock markets, the collapse of venerable financial institutions and investment banks, and the so-called “credit crunch” arising from the sub-prime loan crisis. The global scale of this economic downturn threatens the financial wherewithal of corporations and puts their employees, investors and creditors very much at risk. Directors and officers and corporate liability insurance products address these exposures and are a key component of any corporation’s risk management plan, especially as the D&O marketplace continues to evolve in the wake of increasing exposures. Understanding the exposures facing today’s directors and officers, the available D&O insurance products and the relationship between the corporation and its D&O insurers is crucial. Our panel of professionals from various sectors of the D&O industry will provide their insights. Topics to be addressed include D&O “101,” Credit Crisis/Sub-Prime D&O Claims Update, Enhanced Bankruptcy D&O Issues for the economic meltdown, Madoff Liabilities – D&O, E&O and other Insurance Issues, and Globalization of D&O Insurance & International Risks.

Co-sponsored by the Insurance Federation of New York, Inc. (IFNY)

Program Co-Chairs:
JILL M. LEVY, Boundas, Skarzynski, Walsh & Black LLC; SCOTT R. SCHAFFER, Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker LLP

Faculty:
STEVEN H. ANDERSON, Executive Managing Director, Beecher Carlson; CRISTIANA BAEZ-SAF, Principal, CBS Consulting; HELENE LANDAU CARTAINA, Boundas, Skarzynski, Walsh & Black LLC; CLAUDIA L. CINARDO, Claims Executive, Arch Insurance Group; LISA M. CIRANDO, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP; IVAN J. DOLOWICH, Kaufman Dolowich Voluck & Gonzo LLP; GARY L. GASSMAN, Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson LLP; PERRY S. GRANOF, Managing Director, Granof International Group LLC; ANDRE E. HARLFINGER, Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney; CHRISTOPHER J. KELLER, Labaton Sucharow LLP; LORI MARINO, Senior Vice President, Valiant Insurance Company; GREGORY A. MARKEL, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, LLP; ROGER M. MOAK, Certified Arbitrator; JEFFREY S. NIELSEN, Managing Director, Financial Services Disputes & Investigations Group, Navigant Consulting Inc.; CATHERINE T. PALMIERI, Vice President of Claims, XL Professional; WILLIAM G. PASSANNANTE, Anderson Kill & Olick, P.C.; DAVID S. SHEIFFER, Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker LLP; BRIAN A. SMITH, Smith & Newman, LLP; SANFORD L. VICTOR, Senior Vice President, Marsh; DANIEL K. WINTERS, Reed Smith LLP

Credit: 6.0 PP

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Lawyering in the Fashion Industry: A Practical Guide to Licensing, Trademark Protection & Other Industry Issues

10 Wednesday, 9 AM – 12:30 PM

Structuring successful license deals; navigating license disputes; litigating trademark actions; understanding the ins and outs of customs, import and associated regulatory regimes; implementing and administering human rights compliance programs. To bring value when dealing with their clients’ most pressing issues, fashion industry lawyers draw on a variety of disciplines, including intellectual property, contracts, international trade and litigation.

An experienced panel will provide participants with practical insights on dealing effectively with these and other industry issues. The program will include an in-depth analysis of typical clauses found in fashion trademark agreements. Alternatives to traditional licensing arrangements, including joint ventures, purchase options and co-branding deals will be examined. The panel will also focus on successful prosecution of trademark litigation and counterfeit suits, including strategic and tactical considerations. Current topics in the importing/sourcing area, including dealing with customs and other agency regulations and practices, as well as how to implement and administer a successful human rights compliance program will also be addressed. This program is intended for those who have clients in the fashion industry, those who practice intellectual property law, business executives in the fashion industry and both lawyers and business executives who handle licensing agreements.

Program Chair:
KENNETH P. KOPELMAN, Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP

Faculty:
ARTHUR W. BODEK, Grunfeld, Desiderio, Lebowitz, Silverman & Klestadt LLP; DARYL BROWN, Vice President, Global Business Ethics and Compliance, Liz Claiborne Inc.; NICHOLAS RUBINO, Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Liz Claiborne Inc.; JONATHAN M. WAGNER, Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP

Credit: 3.5 PP*

INTERNATIONAL

Structuring a Shariah-Compliant Transaction

10 Wednesday, 6 PM – 9 PM

The concept of structuring a transaction in the United States to be consistent with the rules of Islamic law, or Shariah-compliant, is now well accepted. But how do you go about it? This program will take a hypothetical U.S.-based project and walk through the various steps of planning, financing and operating—to bring such a transaction to fruition. We will include a summary of critical aspects of Islamic law, as well as the practical step-by-step aspects of making it happen.

Program Chair:
ROBERT E. MICHAEL, Robert E. Michael & Associates, PLLC

Faculty:
TAHA ABDULBASSER, PhD, Chaplain, Harvard Islamic Society; ABED AWAD, Law Offices of Abed Awad, Adjunct Professor, Rutgers Law School; MICHAEL J.T. McMILLEN, Fulbright & Jaworski LLP; ISAM SALAH, King & Spalding LLP

Credit: 3.0 total: 2.5 skills and 0.5 PP*

Creating & Managing an International Law Firm

18 Tuesday, 6 PM – 8 PM

This program is a practical guide to the challenges, rewards and pitfalls of opening an office in a foreign country—particularly in an emerging market. Although the course is designed for lawyers opening a law office in a foreign country, it applies equally to any firm in a service or product industry.

Program Instructor:
MARK A. MEYER, Herzfeld & Rubin, P.C.

Credit: 2.0 PM*

LITIGATION

Current Developments in Commercial Division Practice

8 Monday, 6 PM – 9 PM

For the novice or seasoned practitioner, this program will review and update general practice and procedure in the Commercial Division from assignment of the case through trial. Referral of a case to the Commercial Division’s ADR program and its procedures and effect on the pending litigation will also be discussed. The program will cover recent noteworthy decisions rendered in the Commercial Division, including the awarding of sanctions and attorneys’ fees by Commercial Division justices.

Program Chair:
ROBERT A. O’HARE, JR, O’Hare Parnagian LLP

Faculty:
HON. BARBARA R. KAPNICK, Commercial Division, NYS Supreme Court Justice; CHRISTOPHER G. KELLY, Holland & Knight LLP; LEA HABER KUCK, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP; HON. RICHARD B. LOWE III, Commercial Division, NYS Supreme Court Justice; ALFRED W. J. MARKS, Day Pitney LLP; SCOTT D. MUSOFF, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP; CHRISTOPHER P. PARNAGIAN, O’Hare Parnagian LLP

Credit: 3.0 PP*

Managing Discovery Responses in Government Investigations

30 Tuesday, 6 PM – 9 PM

As we move into a new phase of federal regulations and the corresponding expected increase in government investigations, we must consider how managing e-discovery processes will be impacted. An interactive panel of experts in regulations law, e-discovery and investigations will chart a path through some of the intricacies of this new environment, comparing and contrasting e-discovery for government investigations with litigation, providing case studies on previous investigations, and addressing a fact pattern based on the panel’s real-life collective experience.

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It will also describe how e-discovery evolves as an investigation progresses.

Program Chair:
**MICHAEL S. DAVI**, Vinson & Elkins LLP

Faculty:
**ARNOLD G. BLAIR, III**, WilmerHale; **STEPHANIE L. GIAMMARCO, MA, CPA, CITP, CFE, CFF**, BDO Consulting, A Division of BDO Seidman, LLP; **STEVEN PARADISE**, Vinson & Elkins LLP

**Credit:** 3.0 PP*

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**REAL ESTATE**

**Back to Basics: Real Estate Valuation Principles for the Legal Professional**

1 MONDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM

The seminar will provide you with an understanding of key investment and underwriting parameters that drive real estate price and value dynamics. It will be especially useful for practice areas including: real estate finance and investment, tax certilirari and condemnation, workouts and bankruptcy, and various estate and income taxation.

This course will begin with the most basic principles of real estate valuation, defining net operating income, cap rate and property value in concrete terms, and also exploring the subtleties associated with industry use of each of these terms. The legal professional will gain grounding in the fundamentals of real estate valuation as well as the semantics of everyday uses of valuation terminology. The seminar will culminate with a discussion of what went wrong with debt underwriting and equity return expectations in the recent real estate appreciation cycle and the likely fallout from the current down cycle.

Program Co-Chairs:
**JACK BART**, Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP; **ANDREW L. HERZ**, Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler LLP

Faculty:
**DAOU D. AWAD**, Managing Director, Jones Lang LaSalle; **CAROL J. PATTERSON**, Zetlin & De Chiara LLP

**Credit:** 3.0 total: 2.0 PP & 1.0 skills*

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**TAX & ACCOUNTING**

**Accounting Failures & the Economic Meltdown: What You Should Know About New Enforcement Tactics, New Cases & Ethical Issues**

16 TUESDAY, 5:30 PM – 8 PM; 8 PM – 9 PM WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION

Watching the late 2008 economic “meltdown,” attorneys and accountants find financial reporting at a crossroads. Legal and financial professionals, as well as the general public, question accounting failures and their causes. Are they the failures of people, standards or systems? Critically, such professionals are also at the crux of finding the best mix among proposed solutions: new regulations, increased enforcement and ethics training. Expect an insightful and exciting roundtable discussion among leaders in securities regulation and enforcement, litigation, forensic accounting and ethics.

Program Co-Chairs:
**SHARI HELAINE LICHTMAN**, Attorney & CPA, Litigation & Professional Education; **PATRICE SCHIANO**, Attorney & CPA, AICPA Chair, Forensic & Litigation Services Committee, Protiviti Inc.

Faculty:

**Credit:** 3.0 total: 2.5 PP & 0.5 ethics*  
**CPE Credit:** 3.0 auditing
AFRICAN AFFAIRS
INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS
Letter to Prime Minister Zenawi of Ethiopia urging the Government of Ethiopia to immediately and unconditionally release Judge Birtukan Mideksa. Judge Birtukan, the letter notes, is being held without charge and has not been granted access to legal representation or medical treatment, which is in violation of the Ethiopian Pardon Proclamation 395/1996, the Ethiopian Constitution, the United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS
Report expressing support for A.3926-A, which would amend the New York General Business Law to require the licensing of debt collection agencies. The report argues that the proposed legislation would benefit the public by ensuring that debt collection agencies adhere to minimum standards of conduct and by allowing the Secretary of State and the Attorney General to regulate the activities of debt collectors and take enforcement action against licensees who fail to adhere to the law. The legislation also includes provisions designed to protect consumers from abusive and deceptive practices that have been identified with some businesses in the debt buying industry.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE OPERATIONS
Report recommending legislation that would expand the geographical jurisdiction for crimes attendant to identity theft in New York. While venue amendments have helped in the prosecution of identity theft, other crimes relying on the same facts do not presently enjoy the enhanced venue options. As a result, prosecutions for these attendant crimes are often tried in separate counties and require duplicative work. By amending Section 20.40 of the Criminal Procedure Law to include any other offense based on the allegations underlying either the offense of identity theft or unlawful possession of personal identification information, the charges could be legally joined, saving time and resources.

Report expressing support for A.5170, which would amend the New York Criminal Procedure Law to allow all ineffective assistance of counsel (IAC) claims to be raised via 440.10 motions. The report argues that the interests of justice and judicial economy would be better served by permitting all IAC claims to be raised on collateral review because: 1) some IAC claims are subject to reasonable disagreement as to whether they are reviewable on the record and defendants can be unfairly subjected to procedural bars if they choose the wrong forum; 2) the trial court is often in a better position to make the first assessment of trial counsel’s performance; 3) the current scheme requires piecemeal litigation of IAC claims that are, in part, record based and, in part, non-record based; and 4) when trial counsel serves as counsel on appeal, a defendant effectively waives any IAC claims that are based on the record.

Report supporting A.5142/S.110, which would require law-enforcement personnel to electronically record custodial interrogations in felony cases but recommends the bill be modified to make the recording requirements and the effective date more reasonable.

FUTURES AND DERIVATIVES REGULATION
Letter to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission expressing support for the Commission’s proposal to amend its governing commodity pool operator periodic account statements and annual financial reports and offering certain suggested clarifications to make the rules more effective.

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER RIGHTS
Letter to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services expressing concern over the Department’s proposed New Regulation (Provider Conscience Regulation). The New Regulation, though designed to provide guidance about existing federal protections for health care providers who have religious or moral objections to providing certain health care services, would actually limit access to a wide range of health care services, disturb existing protections for patients and create more confusion about existing federal conscience protections. The comments in the letter focus on the adverse effect the New Regulations would have particularly on the LGBT community and people living with HIV/AIDS.

PRESIDENT
Letter to Congress urging the elimination of some of the most serious restrictions imposed since 1996 on the operations of offices funded by the Legal Services Corporation. The restrictions deprive low-income Americans of desperately needed legal representation, deter private funders from donating to LSC-funded organizations and obstruct state and city efforts to deliver civil legal aid. Eliminating the restrictions would be a no-cost method of expanding legal services in these difficult times. The letter specifically suggests the elimination of the following: 1) preventing organizations receiving LSC funds from using any money raised through any other source for any of the purposes restricted by Congress, 2) barring use of a claim for attorney’s awards even in the most egregious circumstances and 3) preventing the use of class actions even when that approach would be by far the most effective way of preserving basic rights and remedies.

PROFESSIONAL AND JUDICIAL ETHICS
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
Commentary on New York’s Ethics Rules Governing Lawyer Advertising and Solicitation. The report provides an overview of the history of the Rules and provides detailed guidance as to how the new Rules concerning lawyer advertising and solicitation should be interpreted and applied by lawyers subject to regulation under the Rules.
- Real Estate Valuation Principles for the Legal Professional
  June 1
  Live program (includes materials): $215 $235
  CDs (includes materials): $335 $405
  DVDs (includes materials): $445 $535
  Materials only (no CLE credit): $105 $115*

- Updates in Elder Law Issues
  June 2
  Live program (includes materials): $175 $215
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- Ethics for the Bankruptcy Practitioner
  June 3
  Live program (includes materials): $245 $335
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  DVDs (includes materials): $475 $565

- Aviation on Trial!
  June 4
  Live Program (includes materials): $400 $600
  Government/Academics/Public Service/Young Lawyers: $295 $295
  Law Students: $25 $25
  (This program is not available for the Passport Series)

- Unwinding Hedge & Private Equity Funds
  June 5
  Live Program (includes materials): $235 $345
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  DVDs (includes materials): $445 $535

- Current Developments in Commercial Division Practice
  June 8
  Live Program (includes materials): $195 $305
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- Securities Arbitration & Mediation Hot Topics
  June 9
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  FINRA Arbitrators/Mediators: $122.50
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  DVDs (includes materials): $445 $535
  (Please provide FINRA Arbitrator/Mediator #)

- Income Taxation of Trusts, Estates & Beneficiaries
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- Lawyering in the Fashion Industry
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- Structuring a Shariah-Compliant Transaction
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  Live Program (includes materials): $205 $335
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- Current Issues in D&O Liability & Insurance
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  Live Program (includes materials): $345 $485
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  DVDs (includes materials): $605 $705

- Construction Law for Leasing Lawyers: Nuts & Bolts!
  June 12
  Live Program (includes materials): $235 $325
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  DVDs (includes materials): $445 $535

- Current Ethical Issues for the Entertainment Lawyer
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  Live Program (includes materials): $245 $335
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- Accounting Failures & the Economic Meltdown
  June 16
  Live Program (includes materials): $215 $325
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- A Mediation Career: Getting Started
  June 17
  Live Program (includes materials): $195 $305
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- Ethics in the Practice of Securities Law 2009
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  Live Program (includes materials): $245 $355
  CDs (includes materials): $365 $435
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- Creating & Managing an International Law Firm
  June 18
  Live Program (includes materials): $215 $325
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- Video Replay: The Cans & Can’ts of Trust Decanting
  June 22
  Video replay (includes materials): $215 $325
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  DVDs (includes materials): $445 $565

- Standards for Prosecuting Corporate Fraud by Federal & State Agencies
  June 23
  Live Program (includes materials): $245 $335
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- Video Replay: Ethics in the Electronic Age
  June 24
  Video replay (includes materials): $245 $335
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- Video Replay: Women in Negotiation
  June 29
  Video replay (includes materials): $225 $335
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  DVDs (includes materials): $445 $535

- Managing Discovery Responses in Government Investigations
  June 30
  Live Program (includes materials): $205 $315
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**CITY BAR CENTER FOR CLE POLICIES**  
Member rates apply to City Bar and co-sponsoring organization members. A $25 “walk-in” fee will be charged for reservations received after 3:00 p.m. one business day prior to the program. For more information on registration, cancellations, refunds, fees and credit, please visit our website at www.nycbar.org or call 212.382.6663.

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All registrations must be prepaid by either credit card or a check made payable to: City Bar Center for CLE or New York City Bar.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Upcoming June Career Development & Networking Events and CLE Courses

2 TUESDAY, 8:30 AM – 10 AM
Second Annual Breakfast Panel on Women and Leadership Overcoming Gender Perceptions in Achieving Leadership Success

4 THURSDAY, 6 PM
Young Lawyers Connect – New York Wine Tasting

10 WEDNESDAY, 6:30 PM – 8 PM
Project Finance in a Nutshell

11 THURSDAY, 8:30 AM – 10 AM
Professional Development Workshop Series – The Essentials Communication, Presentation and Oral Advocacy Skills

11 THURSDAY, 12:30 PM – 2 PM
Small Law Firm Luncheon – Business Opportunities through the Association’s Legal Referral Service

16 TUESDAY, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Getting Back in the Game: How to Restart Your Career in a Down Economy

17 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 9 PM
CLE: A Mediation Career: Getting Started

18 THURSDAY, 6 PM – 8 PM
Summer Associates Annual Reception

18 THURSDAY, 7 PM
City Bar Contemplative Lawyers Group: Leadership and Law Practice – A Contemplative Approach

24 WEDNESDAY, 6 PM – 8 PM
Taking Control of Your Career – Steps to a Successful Transition

Next month:

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 9 AM
Law School and Employer Perspectives: Counseling and Employment of Re-Entering Attorneys

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 6 PM
What It Is Like to Practice Law as a Woman

City Bar Offers New Support Group

The City Bar is pleased to announce a new support group for its members who have been affected by the current economic climate. The group will be led by practicing attorney, psychologist and Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Einstein Medical School, Sylvan Schaffer.

Dr. Schaffer has a unique approach that will help members cope with the emotional and psychological blocks related to job loss and job search. The support group will:

1. Provide a forum for lawyers to discuss the impact of job loss and job search on their daily lives
2. Provide insight for lawyers to overcome hurdles to job search, e.g., negative thinking, feelings of shame and diminished self-esteem, depression
3. Address the “myths” of what a lawyer can or cannot do, e.g., temporary work, contract work
4. Help lawyers refocus their energy on a new venture before abandoning the profession

At each meeting Dr. Schaffer will present some instructive material, coaching and skills training, and there will be ample opportunity for the participants to discuss their particular needs and feelings regarding their situation. The group will meet on Wednesdays from 1-2 p.m. at the House of the Association on the following dates: June 17, July 1, July 8, July 15, July 22 and July 29.

There is no fee to attend these groups, but registration is required. Please visit www.nycbar.org for further information on this group, including registration.