

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section
and Trial Lawyers Section Annual Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2014 Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Trial Lawyers Section Annual Dinner Harvard Club 35 West 44th Street, New York City (44th Between 5th & 6th Avenues) Reception - 6:30 p.m. Dinner - 7:30 p.m.	Thursday, January 30, 2014 Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Trial Lawyers Section Annual Meeting Regent Parlor, 2nd Floor New York Hilton Midtown 1335 Avenue of the Americas, New York City Morning Program - 8:45 a.m. Afternoon Program - 1:00 p.m.
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Harvard Club, 35 West 44th Street (Between 5th & 6th Avenues), New York City

Bus will depart from the 54th Street side of the New York Hilton Midtown at 6:00 p.m.

Honoree will be: HONORABLE VICTORIA A. GRAFFEO, Associate Judge of the NYS Court of Appeals

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Under New York’s MCLE rule, this program has been approved for **6 MCLE credits consisting of 5 credit hours in Professional Practice and 1 credit in Ethics. This program is NOT a transitional program and will not qualify for credit for newly admitted attorneys.**

Discounts and Scholarships: New York State Bar Association members and non-members may apply for a discount or scholarship to attend this program, based on financial hardship. ***This discount applies to the educational portion of the program only.*** Under that policy, any member of our Association or non-member who has a genuine basis of his/her hardship, if approved, can receive a discount or scholarship, depending on the circumstances. To apply for a discount or scholarship, please send your request in writing to Lori Nicoll at lnicoll@nysba or New York State Bar Association, One Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207. ***Written requests must be submitted by Thursday, January 17th.***

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8:45 a.m.	Business Meeting and Election of Officers and District Representatives of the Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Business Meeting and Election of Officers and District Representatives of the Trial Lawyers Section	
9:00 - 9:50 a.m.	BACK TO THE FUTURE OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION - THE MODERN DAY LEGAL APPRENTICE (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)	
Moderators:	ELIZABETH McDONALD HECHT, ESQ. Mead, Hecht, Conklin & Gallagher, LLP White Plains	ROBERT F. McCARTHY, ESQ. Mineola
Speakers:	ELIZABETH COOPER, ESQ. Associate Professor of Law Faculty Director, Feerick Center for Social Justice Fordham University School of Law New York MICHAEL P. O'BRIEN, ESQ. O'Brien & Jacobs, PLLC New York City	SARAH GOLD, ESQ. Gold Law Firm Albany MATHEW P. ROSS, ESQ. Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP White Plains



9:50 - 10:40 a.m.	#LEGALPROBS: SOCIAL MEDIA AND ITS IMPACT ON JURY SELECTION AND TRIAL (1.0 credits in Professional Practice)	
Speakers:	CLAUDIA A. COSTA, ESQ. Gonzo Law Group Hackensack, NJ	ROBERT B. GIBSON, ESQ. Heidell, Pittoni, Murphy & Bach, LLP White Plains
10:40 - 11:00 a.m.	REFRESHMENT BREAK	
11:00 - 11:50 a.m.	ETHICS UPDATE (1.0 credit in Ethics)	
Speaker:	A. MICHAEL FURMAN, ESQ. Furman Kornfeld & Brennan LLP New York City	
11:50 - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)	
1:00 - 1:50 p.m.	ALL ROADS LEAD TO RESOLUTION PART 1: STATE OF THE UNION - SUMMARY JURY TRIAL (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)	
Speakers:	HONORABLE LUCINDO SUAREZ New York State Supreme Court Justice, Bronx County Bronx	CARLOS CALDERÓN , ESQ. Weisman & Calderón LLP Mount Vernon, NY
1:50 - 2:40 p.m.	ALL ROADS LEAD TO RESOLUTION PART 2: STATE OF THE UNION - ADR (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)	
Speaker:	HON. BARBARA ODWAK National Arbitration and Mediation (NAM) Garden City	JACQUELINE SILVEY, ESQ. National Arbitration and Mediation (NAM) Garden City
2:40 - 3:00 p.m.	REFRESHMENT BREAK	
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	ALL ROADS LEAD TO RESOLUTION PART 3: STATE OF THE UNION - TRIALS (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)	
Speaker:	HONORABLE JUDITH N. McMAHON Administrative Judge Richmond County Supreme Court Staten Island	
4:00 p.m.	ADJOURN	



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For questions about this specific program, please contact Lori Nicoll at 518-487-5563. **For registration questions only, please call 518-487-5621. Fax registration form to 518-463-5993.**

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