NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Young Lawyers Section

Bridging the Gap: Day Two

Friday, January 29, 2016
New York Hilton Midtown
1335 Avenue of the Americas, New York City
MCLE Program, 8:35 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Gramercy West, 2nd Floor

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Under New York's MCLE rule, this program has been approved for a total of **8.0 credit hours. 4.0 in Areas of Professional Practice, 3.0 in Law Practice Management and 1.0 in Ethics and Professionalism.** This is a transitional program and is suitable for MCLE 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 this policy, any member of our Association or non-member who has a genuine basis for their hardship, if approved, can receive a discount or scholarship depending on the circumstances. Requests for discounts or scholarships must be received before January 13, 2016**.** To apply for a discount or scholarship, please send your request in writing to Adriana Favreau at: New York State Bar Association, One Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207 or email afavreau@nysba.org.

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8:35 - 9:00 a.m.	**Opening Keynote**
Speaker:	**Hon. Mark D. Fox,** Retired U.S. Magistrate Judge, Huguenot
9:00 - 10:15 a.m.	**What it's Like to Practice Employment Law** This panel will provide participants with an overview of what it's like to practice employment law, as well as a discussion of employment law in New York. Panelists represent a variety of employment law practice areas. (1.5 credit hours in Law Practice Management)
Moderator:	**Noel P. Tripp, Esq.,** Jackson Lewis LLP, Melville
Panelists:	**Scott R. Green, Esq.,** Rivkin Radler LLP, Uniondale
	Erica T. Kagan, Esq., The Kurland Group, New York City
	Michael J. Taubenfeld, Esq., Serrins Fisher, New York City
10:15 - 10:25 a.m.	**Refreshment Break**
10:25 - 11:15 a.m.	**Health Law 101** This presentation will include an overview of what healthcare law looks like in New York following the passage of the Affordable Care Act from both a policy and a practical perspective. (1.0 credit hour in Areas of Professional Practice)
Speaker:	**Elisabeth R. Benjamin, Esq.,** Vice President, Health Initiatives, Community Service Society, New York City
11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	**Special Education Law 101** This panel will be comprised of attorneys who practice special education law in different capacities, including public interest and private practice. It will also provide an overview of what special education law is in New York. (1.5 credit hours in Areas of Professional Practice)
Moderator:	**Carol L. Himes, Esq.,** New York Peace Institute, Brooklyn
Panelists:	**Jaclyn Okin Barney, Esq.,** Private Disability Rights Legal Practice, New York City
	Irene Nisirios, Esq. NYC Department Of Education, Special Education Unit, New York City
	Erika J. Palmer, Esq., Advocates for Children of New York, Inc., New York City
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.	**Break for Lunch** (On Your Own)

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1:30 - 2:20 p.m.	**Practical Tips to Avoid Ethical Pitfalls** Panelists will discuss ethical obligations of attorneys as applied to everyday life in a practice setting. (1.0 credit hour in ethics)
Speakers:	**Carol S. Greenwald,** Marketing Partners, Larchmont
	Kevin M. Doyle, Esq., Departmental Disciplinary Committee, First Judicial Department, New York City
2:20 - 3:35 p.m.	**The Modern Practice: Making it Work** Panelists will discuss their professional careers and how they came to start, build and succeed in their own firms. They will provide practical advice to lawyers interested in going out on their own. (1.5 credit hours in Areas of Professional Practice)
Speakers:	**Susan K. Crumiller, Esq.,** Crumiller P.C., New York City
	Carrie A. Goldberg, Esq., C.A. Goldberg, PLLC, Brooklyn
3:35 - 3:45 p.m.	**Refreshment Break**
3:45 - 5:00 p.m.	**Alternative Careers for Attorneys** Not all young lawyers will find their calling in a traditional law firm setting. The speakers in this panel will discuss how they have used their law degrees in different professional settings and how other lawyers can do so. (1.5 credit hours in Law Practice Management)
Moderator:	**Paula T. Edgar, Esq.,** Principal, PGE LLC, Brooklyn
Panelists:	**Jennifer L. Bird, Esq.,** Managing Director, RPN Executive Search LLP, Greenwich, CT
	Luwick Francois, Esq., New York State Division of Human Rights, Albany
	Andromachi E. Noula, Esq., New York Peace Institute, New York City
	Pamela B. Zimmerman, Esq., New York Civil Liberties Union, New York City

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For overnight room accommodations, please call the New York Hilton Midtown at 1-800-445-8667 and identify yourself as a member of the New York State Bar Association. Room rates are $260.00 for single/double occupancy. You also can reserve your overnight room on the web at www.nysba.org/am16accomm. Reservations must be made prior to January 8th, 2016.

For questions about this specific program, please contact Adriana Favreau at 518-487-5630. **For registration questions only, please call 1-800-582-2452. Please use 518-463-5993 to fax your registration form.**

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