

# CONFERENCE GUIDE

October 24-26, 2019 Kalahari Resort, Wisconsin Dells

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Our event code is 60612.



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## 2019 WSSFC Planning Committee

A word of thanks to the Planning Committee for their generous contributions of time, talent and energy to make this event a success. We appreciate their work and service to the members of the State Bar.

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## HOSPITALITY SUITE

Friday 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. | Room 4000, Sands Building

Enjoy wine, beer, and refreshments sponsored by:





## SIGN IN FOR CLE CREDITS!

Please be sure to sign-in at the registration counter **each day** to ensure your credits are accurately recorded for the BBE.

This year's Legal Expo features more than 30 businesses whose products and services are designed to help you better manage your practice.

Knowledgeable representatives are on hand to provide you with information on technology, insurance programs, expert services, practice management tools, marketing, research, financial services, and more.

# EXHIBIT HALL HOURS:

THURSDAY 11:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

FRIDAY 7:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Exhibitors contribute important financial support to State Bar of Wisconsin PINNACLE Conferences & Institutes. Please return that support by visiting their booths.

## Win Prizes

You have several chances to win prizes:

- Participate in the Scavenger Hunt during the Attendee Reception on Thursday.
- Stop by the individual booths to register for the many door prizes being offered directly from exhibitors.
- Have your PASSPORT TO PRIZES signed by exhibitors and drop it at the State Bar booth.
- Drop your business card at the Hospitality Suite on Friday.

## Thursday Evening Attendee Reception in the Legal Expo

On Thursday evening, unwind from a busy day and start making new connections while enjoying beer, wine, soda, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar from 4:30 – 6 p.m., sponsored by WILMIC and West Bend Mutual Insurance Company.

## **Hospitality Suite**

On Friday evening from 5 – 6:30 p.m., join your colleagues in the Hospitality Suite for wine, beer, and refreshments. Sponsored by *Krekeler Strother, S.C.* and *Smith Keane LLP*.

## Dine-Arounds

## Sign-up at the Conference Registration Desk

Looking to make dinner plans Thursday night? Expand your connections with dedicated dining options at Wisconsin Dells restaurants that meet your budget. Facilitated by WSSFC speakers and Planning Committee members. Take a chance — maybe you'll meet that one key connection at the Dine Around!

How it works:

- 1. Claim your seat at the table by signing up at the registration desk.
- 2. 5:50 p.m. Meet your group at the registration table.
- 3. 6:00 p.m. Groups leave for restaurants.
- 4. 6:30 p.m. Dinner.

This is a pay-on-your-own event. Spouses and guests are welcome, but please no children.

## **Family Fun Night**

Join us at the Volcano Lounge and Lanes, located inside Tom Foolerys for bowling and socializing in the lounge overlooking the theme park. See additional information on page 6.

## **General Information**

#### REGISTRATION

**IMPORTANT:** Sign in each day before attending any sessions.

Thursday, October 25 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday, October 26 7:45 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday, October 27 7 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.

The State Bar registration booth is located either directly outside the Exhibit Hall, or just inside the Expo doors.

#### CREDITS

The Wisconsin Board of Bar Examiners (BBE) has approved WSSFC for up to 15.5 credit hours, which can be earned by attending and reporting a combination of approved sessions. Depending on your session selections, you may earn up to 15.5 credits, comprised from a combination of 13.0 CLE, 7.0 EPR, 6.0 LPM, and 6.0 LAU credits.

Complimentary webcast replays totaling an additional 9.0 credit hours will be offered in November and December for select sessions. Those additional credits are comprised of up to 4.5 CLE, 3.5 LPM, and 1.0 LAU.

Use the schedule on pages 4-5 to track the sessions you attend and plan ahead for webcast replays. Note that the BBE has a 6.0 credit limit per reporting period for Law Practice Management (LPM) and another 6.0 for Lawyer Awareness and Understanding (LAU) credit. If you have questions about CLE credit, please visit the registration desk.

#### NAME BADGES

Please wear your badge at all official *Conference* functions. It is your admission to all CLE programs, workshops, and events. In addition, your badge will help you to renew old friendships and meet new colleagues. Name badge ribbons will help you identify State Bar speakers, conference sponsors, and exhibitors.

Name badges adorned with a black dot or a conference ribbon designate that you are attending the Friday Lederer Award networking lunch. If you do not have a black dot or a ribbon and would like to attend the lunch, please visit the registration desk.

## PLEASE RECYCLE YOUR NAME BADGE HOLDER

Before you leave the *Conference*, please drop your name badge holder in one of the name badge boxes. We appreciate your efforts to help our environment.



## **GUEST PACKAGES**

In an effort to keep conference tuition down for all attendees, no carryout food or beverage is permitted from the Expo Hall or continental breakfasts. While meals and breaks are for conference attendees and presenters, food and beverage passes for guests and family members are available for purchase for \$50 each for breakfasts/breaks and \$20 per lunch. You may purchase guest passes at the registration desk.

## DOWNLOAD THE OFFICIAL WSSFC MOBILE APP

- Access your schedule
- Speaker information
- Exhibitors and sponsors
- Sign up for Dine Arounds

http://grandstandsites.com/gs/index.php?c=WSSFC

#### HOSPITALITY STATIONS

Hospitality stations are located in the Expo Hall. A complimentary breakfast will be served each day, with refreshments served during session breaks.

#### LIST OF PREREGISTRANTS

Wondering if someone is here? A list of all preregistered attendees is available at the registration booth.

Visit this year's exhibitors to see how they can help you practice law, manage your business, and enjoy life.

ABA Retirement Funds Program
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## Be sure to note room assignments each day for the CLE tracks.

Thursday Schedule	Substantive Track Aloeswood/Tamboti	Practice Management Track Ballroom 5	Technology Track Aralia/Marula Sponsored by Bakke Norman, S.C. & The Computer Center	Quality of Life/Ethics Track  Ballroom 4  Sponsored by Bakke Norman, S.C.	
8 a.m 5 p.m.	Conference Registration - North Atrium				
8 - 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast - Compliments of Hupy and Abraham, S.C North Atrium				
8:30 - 10 a.m.	Opening Plenary: Persuading Judges and Juries (1.5 CLE) - Hon. Michael R. Fitzpatrick - Ballrooms 1/8				
10 - 10:15 a.m.	Refreshment Break - North Atrium				
<b>Session 1</b> 10:15 - 11:30 a.m.	CBD in Wisconsin – All R Gray? – (1.5 CLE) Jeffrey A. Cormell	Don't Change Your Size, Change Your Approach: The Advantages of Being Small (1.5 LPM) - Anthony K. Murdock, Erin R. Ogden, AJ Sue		Design Your Practice and Your Life (1.5 LAU) - Sarah L. Ruffi	
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Legal Expo Grand Opening & Lunch - Lunch compliments of Habush, Habush & Rottier, S.C.				
12:30 - 2 p.m.	Plenary: "Moneyball" for Lawyers: Using Data to Build a Major League Practice (no credit) - Jeffrey S. Krause - Ballrooms 1/8				
2 - 2:25 p.m.	Refreshment Break - visit the Legal Expo and get your passport signed to be entered to win great prizes!				
<b>Session 2</b> 2:25 - 3:15 p.m.	Udderly Broke: How to Liquidate and Sell the Family Farm (1.0 CLE) - John W. Menn, Troy R. Schneider	Beyond Moneyball: Keeping Score (1.0 LPM) - Jeffrey S. Krause	Document Management for the Tech-Savvy Firm (1.0 LPM) - <i>Bryan Sims</i>	What You Should Know Before You Go - Leaving the Firm (1.0 EPR) - Aviva Meridian Kaiser, Christopher C. Shattuck	
3:15 - 3:40 p.m.	Refreshment Break - visit t	he Legal Expo and get your	passport signed for a chanc	e to win great prizes!	
<b>Session 3</b> 3:40 - 4:30 p.m.	Offer Strong: 5 Tips for Drafting an Offer to Purchase with Teeth (1.0 CLE) - Alexander L. Ullenberg	Project Management for Law Firms (1.0 LPM) - Jeffrey M. Glazer	The Frugal Lawyer's Guide to Information Security (1.0 LPM) - <i>Brent J. Hoeft</i>	To Hire or To Fire: Ethical Concerns (1.0 EPR) - Thomas J. Watson (Moderator), Brian C. Anderson, Aviva Meridian Kaiser, Jennifer S. Mirus, Mary Spranger	
4:30- 6 p.m.	Attendee Reception in the Legal Expo - Enjoy complimentary hors'doevres, beer, wine, and soda. Cash Bar also available. Sponsored by WILMIC and West Bend Mutual Insurance Co.				
6 p.m.	Choose Your Own Adventu	re! Dine-Arounds (Sign-up	required - See page 2 for det	ails) / Family Fun Night	
Friday Schedule	Substantive Track Ballroom 5	Practice Management Track Ballroom 4	Technology Track Aloeswood/Tamboti Sponsored by Bakke Norman, S.C. & The Computer Center	Quality of Life/Ethics Track Aralia/Marula Sponsored by Bakke Norman, S.C.	
7:45 a.m 1:45 p.m.	<b>Legal Expo Is Open</b> - Today is your last chance to meet with companies that can help your practice.				
7:45 a.m 4 p.m.	Conference Registration -	Be sure to sign in each day	<b>!</b>		
7:45 - 8:45 a.m.	Deluxe Continental Breakfast - Compliments of Hupy and Abraham, S.C Expo Hall				
8 - 8:30 a.m.	Health Insurance in 2020: The State Bar of Wisconsin Association Health Plan Option - Christine Nadolski - Aralia/Marula				
8:45 - 10:15 a.m.	Plenary: Houdini's Greatest Secret: Unlocking a Path to Personal and Organizational Success (1.5 LAU) - Michael Brandwein - Ballrooms 1/8				
10:15 - 10:45 a.m.	Refreshment Break - Last chance to visit the Legal Expo and get your passport signed to be entered to win great prizes! - Expo Hall				
<b>Session 4</b> 10:45 a.m 12 p.m.	The Great Debate: Lawyers and Immigration (1.5 CLE) - Reid F. Trautz	Tips (1.5 LPM) - Brett Burney, Brent J. Hoeft, Jeffrey S. Krause, Nerino	Implementing Encryption and Security on Your	Technical Capabilities and Ethical Duties: Online Communication and the Rules of Professional Responsibility (1.5 EPR) - <i>Peyton B. Engel</i>	
Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Networking Luncheon & 2019 Lederer Award Presentation - Sponsored by Gingras, Thomsen & Wachs - Ballrooms 1/8				
1:30 - 1:45 p.m.	Feeling lucky? Passport to p	orizes and exhibitor drawin	g winners will be announced	d in the Expo Hall	

<b>Session 5</b> 1:45 - 2:35 p.m.	There's No Place Like (Someone Else's) Home? Restrictions on Listing a Home for Vacation Rental (1.0 CLE) - Carol E. Krigbaum, Liz Tobolt	How to Speak so People Stay Awake and Do Not Hate You (1.0 CLE) - <i>Michael Brandwein</i>	iMazing Presentations from Your iPad (1.0 LPM) - Brett Burney	In Case of Emergency, Put Your Mask On First (1.0 LAU) - Nicholas E. Fairweather, Comm. Daniel P. Murray, Allison M. Ritter, Mary Spranger
<b>Session 6</b> 2:50 - 3:40 p.m.	Thinking About Adding Public Defender Appointments to Your Practice? What You Need to Know as Private Bar Counsel (1.0 CLE) - H. Craig Haukaas, Aiden Tharp, Andrew I. Martinez	Motivating Communication: How to Get People to Talk More about What Matters Most (1.0 CLE) - Michael Brandwein	Getting the Most from Microsoft Outlook (1.0 LPM) - Nerino J. Petro, Jr., Bryan Sims, Reid F. Trautz	Becoming a Happy Lawyer Without Finding Work-Life Balance (1.0 LAU) - Deanne M. Koll
3:55 - 4:55 p.m.	Plenary: Gadgets, Gizmos, and Widgets (1.0 LPM) - Brett Burney, Nerino J. Petro, Jr., Bryan Sims - Ballrooms 1/8			
5 - 6:30 p.m.	<b>Hospitality Suite</b> - <i>Enjoy wine and refreshments sponsored by Krekeler Strother S.C. and Smith Keane LLP</i> - Room 4000, Sands Building (Dinner on your own.)			

Saturday Schedule	Substantive Track Ballroom 2	Practice Management Track Aloeswood/Tamboti	Technology Track  Ballroom 7  Sponsored by Bakke  Norman, S.C. &  The Computer Center	Quality of Life/Ethics Track Aralia/Marula Sponsored by Bakke Norman, S.C.
7 - 10:50 a.m.	Conference Registration - North Hallway			
7 - 8 a.m.	Continental Breakfast - Compliments of Hupy and Abraham, S.C North Hallway			
7:30 - 8:20 a.m.	Plenary: Substantive Law at Sunrise (1.0 CLE) - Kate Knowlton, J. David Krekeler, Sarah L. Ruffi, Anne Wal, Michael Seung-Hyock Yang - Ballrooms 1/8			
<b>Session 7</b> 8:30 - 9:20 a.m.	Advising Small Businesses Regarding Tax Liability (1.0 CLE) - Alison E. Helland, Douglas A. Pessefall	Promoting Diversity Through Special Business Designations (1.0 CLE) - Emery K. Harlan, Michael Seung- Hyock Yang, Tru Mwololo	The Amazing Value of Video Conferencing (1.0 LPM) - Nerino J. Petro, Jr., Reid F. Trautz	Protecting Client Information - How to Win When Fighting Technology (1.0 EPR) - <i>Dean R</i> . <i>Dietrich</i>
9:20 - 9:50 a.m.	Break/Hotel check-out – North Hallway			
<b>Session 8</b> 9:50 - 10:40 a.m.	Blockchain and Smart Contracts (1.0 CLE) - Jeffrey M. Glazer	Check Your Attitude, M Win Your Case (1.0 LAU) - Sarah L. Ruffi	Ask the Tech Guys: Law Firm Technology Workshop (1.0 LPM) - Brent J. Hoeft, Christopher C. Shattuck	Ins and Outs of (In)Active Practice in Wisconsin (1.0 EPR) - Scott E. Mickelson
10:50 a.m 12:15 p.m.	Closing Plenary: The Fine Art of Getting Paid Ethically (1.5 EPR) - Reid F. Trautz - Ballrooms 1/8			

 $<sup>^{\</sup>bigstar}$  Programs that will be offered as Webcast Replays.

## **CONTINENTAL BREAKFASTS**

Thursday 8 - 8:30 a.m. | North Atrium Friday 7:45 - 8:45 a.m. | Expo Hall Saturday 7 - 8 a.m. | North Hallway

Sponsored by

Hupyand Abraham s.c. personal injury lawyers



## **EARN EVEN MORE CREDITS!**

Select sessions of the conference will be recorded and webcast on November 21-22 and December 4-5 ... and all conference attendees will be allowed to view these dates **FOR FREE!** 

## ATTENDEE RECEPTION

Thursday 4:30 - 6 p.m. — Expo Hall

Enjoy beer, wine and soda, plus a cash bar and hors d'ouvres sponsored by:





## **Special Events**

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

## Conference Kick-Off Luncheon

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sponsored by Habush, Habush & Rottier, S.C.

Celebrate the grand opening of the Expo Hall at this energizing event. Lunch will be provided for all Conference registrants – no need for separate registration. It's the perfect opportunity to meet new friends, check out the many products and services on display at the Expo, and start filling out your Passport to Prizes.

## Attendee Reception

4:30 - 6 p.m.

On Thursday evening, unwind from a busy day and start making new connections while enjoying beer, wine, soda, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar from 4:30 - 6 p.m., compliments of *WILMIC* and *West Bend Mutual Insurance Company*.

## Choose Your Own Adventure

6 p.m

Offsite, onsite, with colleagues, with your friends and family, or on your own – YOU choose!

This year we developed several options for you to choose from – one is more for causal socializing with friends and colleagues at local restaurants (Dine-arounds). OR, you can take part in our Family Fun Night, which features FREE reserved bowling, discounted Tom Foolerys tickets, light snacks and refreshments for solo small firm attendees and their families. OR, you can go your own way – you choose.

## **Family Fun Night**

Join us at the Volcano Lounge and Lanes, located at the Kalahari Resort. Bowl a few frames (for free!) on reserved lanes for conference attendees, and/or take advantage of discounted tickets to Tom Foolerys Adventure Park, Kalahari's 100,000 sq. ft. indoor theme park. See registration desk to purchase a pass by 2 p.m. on Thursday.

The Volcano Lounge overlooks the theme park. You need not purchase a wristband to take advantage of bowling or relax in the lounge.

The following attractions are included with Tom Foolerys passes:

G-Force One Toucan Climb

XD Dark Ride Conqueror's of Mt. Foolmore

Atomic Rush
Centrifooled
Lil'Toucan Climb
Meteorace
Sky Rangers
Ferris Wheel
RevoFooltion

Kalahari Carousel

Legend of the Lost Jungle

Follow the *WSSFC* on Twitter. If tweeting about or from the conference the hashtag is

#wssfc

### **Dine-Arounds**

Let us take care of your Thursday night dinner reservations by signing up for a dine-around. Each dine-around will be hosted by a WSSFC speaker or planning committee member and will take place at one of many top-notch restaurants in Wisconsin Dells. Enjoy stimulating conversation over a delicious meal while making new friends.

Signing up is easy. Simply stop by the Solo/Small Firm & General Practice Section booth in the Legal Expo to choose your preferred dine-around. Stop by early, though. Space is limited and last year's dine-arounds filled up quickly!

Attendees are responsible for their own dinner bill. Spouses or guests are welcome, but please plan to leave the kids at the hotel.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

## **Continental Breakfasts**

Start your day off right with a hearty breakfast each morning. Plus, we're serving a deluxe continental breakfast on Friday, compliments of Hupy and Abraham, S.C.

## Lederer Award Presentation and Networking Lunch

12 - 1:45 p.m.

Luncheon sponsored by Gingras, Thomsen & Wachs

Don't miss one of the highlights of WSSFC – the presentation of the 2019 Lederer Award. Named in memory of attorney John Lederer, the award is presented annually to an individual, group, or organization exemplifying John's leadership, spirit, and dedication.

## **Hospitality Suite**

5 - 6:30 p.m.

Sponsored by Krekeler Strother, S.C. and Smith Keane LLP

On Friday evening, the fun doesn't stop. Join your colleagues in the Hospitality Suite for wine, beer, and refreshments. There's even prize drawings. It's THE place to be.

## **WIN FABULOUS PRIZES**

Have your **Passport to Prizes** signed by all exhibitors for a chance to win valuable prizes including an Apple Watch, Apple TV, Bluetooth speaker and other tech items for home or office, PINNACLE CLE gift certificates, and registration for the 2020 Annual Meeting & Conference in Elkhart Lake. Passport to Prizes winners will be announced in the Legal Expo after the Networking Luncheon on Friday, but you need not be present to win.

Participate in the **Scavenger Hunt** during Thursday's Attendee reception for a chance to win a \$100 Target Gift Card. The Scavenger Hunt winner will be announced in the Legal Expo at 5:45 Thursday. Winner must be present to win.

Passport to Prizes and Scavenger Hunt forms are available at the Registration Desk and can be deposited at State Bar booth when completed.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

## 8:30 – 10 a.m.

**Opening Plenary** 

## **Persuading Judges and Juries**

Discover the fundamentals of persuasion in the courtroom and learn techniques to improve your performance in criminal and civil trials, as well as at the trial and appellate court levels. This session offers numerous strategies and tactics for persuading judges and juries to find in favor of your client. You'll learn tips for:

- · Presenting information to judges and juries
- · Developing effective themes and arguments
- Writing persuasive briefs

Hon. Michael R. Fitzpatrick, Court of Appeals District IV, Madison

## 10:15 - 11:30 a.m.

**Substantive Track** 

## **CBD** in Wisconsin – All Gray?

The 2018 Farm Bill and Wisconsin Act 100 opened the door to the growing, processing, and selling of industrial hemp. This session will offer growers guidance on the USDA and FDA regulations around industrial hemp, as well as how to:

- · Get a permit
- Ensure THC content is within the legal limit
- · Obtain financing from wary lenders

Jeffrey A. Cormell, Bakke Norman, S.C., Hayward

## **Practice Management Track**

## Don't Change Your Size, Change Your Approach: The Advantages of Being Small

At their best, small firms can be nimble and focused, operating like a fighter jet flying with deadly precision. But achieving that type of high-performance doesn't happen without some work. As the pilot of your firm's destiny, this session will help you chart a course toward success. You will:

- Develop a vision for your practice
- · Learn practical steps for implementing your plan
- Get advice for dealing with challenges and setbacks

Anthony K. Murdock, Murdock Law, S.C., Milwaukee; Erin R. Ogden, Ogden, Glazer + Schaefer LLC, Madison; AJ Sue, AJ Sue LLC, Middleton

## **Technology Track**

## E-Discovery for the Effective E-Advocate

No litigation matter today can escape the "e" of discovery. Regardless of the size of your firm or the focus of your practice, every lawyer needs to know how to handle electronically-stored information (ESI). This session will cover the basics of collecting, processing, reviewing, and producing ESI, and then provide you with practical and applicable tips that you can integrate into your practice. You'll learn:

- · Why virtually all relevant case information is electronic
- The importance of using a document review tool
- · Why you should care about data processing
- How to talk to your clients about collecting and preserving relevant ESI
- · How to talk to opposing counsel about producing ESI

Brett Burney, Burney Consultants LLC, Chagrin Falls, OH

## **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## **Design Your Practice and Your Life**

Many attorneys start their own firms so they can enjoy practicing law and spending time with their families. This interactive presentation will encourage participants to dig deep and articulate what they truly want in their career, finances, and family life. After setting your future goals, you'll learn:

- How defining a clear, specific vision boosts your confidence
- · How small changes in language use can affect outcomes
- How creating a mental picture can turn your dreams into reality

Sarah L. Ruffi, Ruffi Law Offices, S.C., Wausau

## 12:30 – 2 p.m.

**Plenary** 

## "Moneyball" for Lawyers:

## Using Data to Build a Major League Practice

By utilizing numbers and data for analytic and predictive purposes, the Moneyball concept revolutionized the game of baseball. Similarly, statistical analysis models present a promising solution for responding to the challenge of marketing and delivering legal services to a new generation of clients. This fun, fastball presentation will help you see billing in a whole new light. You'll learn how to:

- Review your firm's business numbers in detail
- Use the "Profit Principle" to create a realistic "box score" for your practice
- Increase your firm's profitability

Jeffrey S. Krause, Affinity Consulting Group, Waterford

## 2:25 - 3:15 p.m.

**Substantive Track** 

## Udderly Broke: How to Liquidate and Sell the Family Farm

In 2018, nearly 3,000 dairy farms went under—700 of those were Wisconsin farms. For the past three years, Wisconsin has led the nation in farm bankruptcies, losing almost two farms a day. This session will primarily cover the winding down and selling of a family farming operation, covering topics such as:

- · Whether to liquidate through bankruptcy or receivership
- The tax implications of sales
- Issues to take into account when drafting sale documents
- Exemptions

John W. Menn, Steinhilber Swanson LLP, Oshkosh; Troy R. Schneider, Twohig Rietbrock Schneider & Halbach, S.C., Chilton

## **Program Descriptions**

## THURSDAY (Continued)

**Practice Management Track** 

## **Beyond Moneyball: Keeping Score**

In sports, the scoreboard always tells you who is winning. In business, the reports are your scorecard. This session will build on Thursday afternoon's plenary and dive deeper into the details of running reports. You'll learn:

- · Which reports truly matter
- · How to create useful reports
- · Where to look to find the data you need

Jeffrey S. Krause, Affinity Consulting Group, Waterford

## **Technology Track**

## **Document Management for the Tech-Savvy Firm**

Law firms deal with many different types of data. Effective and creative use of document management systems can reduce paper, improve efficiency, support process automation and risk management. This session will share software and strategies for effectively managing documents, systems, and email. Discover what to consider when choosing:

- Document management software
- · Practice management software
- Your own self-created document management system

Bryan Sims, Sims Law Firm Ltd., Naperville, IL

## **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## What You Should Know Before You Go: Leaving the Firm

Making a career change inevitably triggers a slew of matters that need to be quickly wrapped up, but it's important that your ethical obligations don't get lost in the shuffle. In this session, prepare for a smooth transition by reviewing The Rules of Confidentiality and how to:

- Check for any potential client conflicts
- · Handle and hand off trust accounts and files
- · Give appropriate and ethical notice to clients

Aviva Meridian Kaiser and Christopher C. Shattuck, State Bar of Wisconsin, Madison

## 3:40 - 4:30 p.m.

**Substantive Track** 

### Offer Strong:

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## 5 Tips for Drafting an Offer to Purchase with Teeth

It's a real estate lawyer's worst nightmare: the deal that looked completely solid suddenly falls through and the client asks "what can we do?" This session will teach you techniques for drafting a solid WB-11—one that gives you and your clients as much peace of mind as possible. You'll learn:

- Tips for drafting contingencies that minimize wiggle room to back out
- The clauses that help obtain a money judgment against defaulting buyers
- Strategies for presenting non-standard clauses

Alexander L. Ullenberg, Ullenberg Law Offices, S.C., Fond du Lac

## **Practice Management Track**

## **Project Management for Law Firms**

Most businesses have a process in place for when a big (or small) project comes their way, so they can hit the ground running. Why don't lawyers? In this session, you will learn how to work smarter, not harder. Take your law firm to the next level by learning project management tips for:

- Case management
- Increased capacity
- Resource planning

Jeffrey M. Glazer, UW Law & Entrepreneur Clinic, Madison

### **Technology Track**

## The Frugal Lawyer's Guide to Information Security

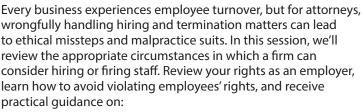
Is cost or complexity holding you back from implementing a security plan in your law practice? In this session, you'll discover simple, cost-effective steps that will dramatically increase the security of your firm's information. Learn the basics for protecting your firm from:

- Ransomware
- Hacking
- Data breaches
- Data loss

Brent J. Hoeft, FirmLock Consulting LLC, Madison

## Quality of Life/Ethics Track

### To Hire or To Fire: Ethical Concerns



- · How to give proper notice
- The circumstances in which you should start a search to replace current staff
- · The limitations on an employer's right to terminate
- Potential ethical, malpractice, and employment law issues

Moderator: Thomas J. Watson, Wisconsin Lawyers Mutual Insurance Co., Madison; Brian C. Anderson, Wisconsin Lawyers Mutual Insurance Co., Madison; Aviva Meridian Kaiser, State Bar of Wisconsin, Madison; Jennifer S. Mirus, Boardman & Clark LLC, Madison; Mary Spranger, State Bar of Wisconsin, Madison

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

## 8:45 – 10:15 a.m.

**Plenary** 

## **Houdini's Greatest Secret:**

## Unlocking a Path to Personal and Organizational Success

This unique keynote presentation will employ actual magic tricks to disclose amazing secrets about the Wisconsin-raised master magician, Harry Houdini. By observing how Houdini approached his "greatest physical and mental challenge"—an escape in full view from a real hospital straitjacket—you'll

be inspired to set (and break through) your own seemingly impossible goals. You'll come away with:

- New techniques for dealing with problems, fears, challenges, and change
- Specific tips for achieving success in your professional and personal life

Michael Brandwein, Lincolnshire, IL

## 10:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Substantive Track** 

## The Great Debate: Lawyers and Immigration

As lawyers, we understand the rule of law, due process, and the roles of the government. Or do we? In the midst of a heated national debate between our three branches of government, it can be easy to forget that America's immigration system is built on a venerable web of laws. This session will help you separate policy from politics—and law from lore—and provide:

- An overview of the issues impacting immigrant clients
- Tips for avoiding political landmines when immigrationrelated issues arise in your practice
- How to use your legal skills to help achieve a just outcome

Reid F. Trautz, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, D.C.

## **Practice Management Track**

## Way More than 50 Tips

A recurring favorite, this popular session on life hacks is back and in a newly expanded 75-minute slot. Presented in rapid-fire format, you'll learn technology and practice management tips that will promise to change your life. You will:

- Learn 50+ tips for achieving greater efficiency at work
- Get things done smarter, faster, and maybe even cheaper

Brett Burney, Burney Consultants LLC, Chagrin Falls, OH; Brent J. Hoeft, FirmLock Consulting LLC, Madison; Jeffrey S. Krause, Affinity Consulting Group, Waterford; Nerino J. Petro, Jr., The Erickson Group, Rockford, IL; Christopher C. Shattuck, State Bar of Wisconsin, Madison; Bryan Sims, Sims Law Firm Ltd., Naperville, IL

## **Technology Track**

## Practical Guide to Implementing Encryption and Security on Your Technology

When transmitting sensitive and confidential client and case details within devices, emails, documents, backups, and flash drives, you need methods and tools to ensure that the information you're storing and sharing is only read by the intended party. Encryption and multi-factor authentication are valuable tools to ensure information makes it only to the right person, but how do you actually enable them? In this session, we'll demonstrate how to:

- Identify the types of info that should only be shared in encrypted formats
- Protect Microsoft files before sending (with technology you probably already have)
- Send and receive encrypted email
- Implement multi-factor authentication on downloaded apps

- Encrypt and store your passwords
- · Uncover security blind spots
- Properly "wipe" a device at the end of its life

Jeremy Cherny, Tobin Solutions Inc., Wauwatosa

#### **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## Technical Capabilities and Ethical Duties: Online 1.5 GREDITS Communication and the Rules of Professional Responsibility

The Duty of Competence doesn't just involve possessing a substantive knowledge of law. It also necessitates that attorneys keep up with technology trends. In this session, you will:

- Review how confidentiality affects lawyers' technology usage
- Learn how to safely transmit and dispose of confidential information
- Identify ways to control risk in a small practice environment

Peyton B. Engel, Hurley Burish, S.C., Madison

## 1:45 – 2:35 p.m.

**Substantive Track** 

# There's No Place Like (Someone Else's) Home? Restrictions on Listing a Home for Vacation Rental

Are there limits to if or how often homeowners can rent out their homes on rental services like Airbnb or VRBO? Do neighbors have any legal means to prevent the house next door from becoming a vacation rental? In this dynamic point-counterpoint session, you'll hear the case for both sides.

Topics covered include:

- · Zoning and municipal restrictions
- · Necessary licenses and permits
- The sanctity of land ownership
- Insurance and liability considerations

Carol E. Krigbaum, Krigbaum Law LLC, Milwaukee; Liz Tobolt, Liz Tobolt Law LLC, Hartland

#### **Practice Management Track**

## How to Speak So People Stay Awake and Do Not Hate You

An effective presentation motivates others to take positive action. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned presenter, this session will offer valuable techniques for how to create a more engaging, effective presentation— one that doesn't simply involve commenting on dull PowerPoint slides. You will:

- Learn exactly what to say to grab and hold any audience's attention
- Discover fool-proof tips for improving your existing presentations or for creating new ones
- Identify and wipe out extremely common presentation blunders
- Gain confidence in your public speaking abilities

Michael Brandwein, Lincolnshire, IL

## **Program Descriptions**

## FRIDAY (Continued)

## **Technology Track**

## iMazing Presentations from Your iPad

From wirelessly driving a PowerPoint presentation (while using speaker notes) to creating callouts and highlights on the fly in trial, an iPad can do it all and make you look poised at trial. This interactive session will show you exactly how to prepare your iPad for showtime. Bring your iPad and learn:

- · How to get files on and off your iPad
- · What apps and equipment you need to look flawless
- Tips for creating an "iMazing" presentation

Brett Burney, Burney Consultants LLC, Chagrin Falls, OH

## **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## In Case of Emergency, Put Your Mask on First

Between balancing the needs of clients, running a firm, taking care of family, and maintaining friendships, solo and small firm lawyers often have the weight of the world on their shoulders. While well-being is an indispensable part of a lawyer's duty of competence, many busy attorneys often put their health last. Attend this session to hear first-hand experiences of attorneys who've corrected course. You'll gain:

- Tips for getting your groove back (No meditation required)
- Perspective on what behaviors may be unhealthy and strategies for expressing concern about a colleague
- A lawyer well-being toolkit, including an action plan for a healthy workplace

Nicholas E. Fairweather, Hawks Quindel, S.C., Madison; Comm. Daniel P. Murray, Daniel P. Murray Attorney at Law, Waukesha; Allison M. Ritter, Ritter Law Office LLP, Milwaukee; Mary Spranger, State Bar of Wisconsin, Madison

## 2:50 - 3:40 p.m.

### **Substantive Track**

## Thinking About Adding Public Defender Appointments to your Practice? What You Need to Know as Private Bar Counsel

In some northern Wisconsin counties, it can take up to 24 days for the State Public Defender's Office to appoint an attorney for indigent defendants. This session will explore if, when, how, and why attorneys can (or should) accept these appointments.

- The appointment process
- What you need to know to competently represent indigent individuals
- What to consider if criminal law is not currently part of your practice
- The personal and professional benefits of taking appointments

H. Craig Haukaas, Haukaas Law Office, S.C., Ashland; Andrew I. Martinez, Martinez & Ruby, LLP, Baraboo; Aiden Tharp, Williamson & Siler, S.C., New Richmond

### **Practice Management Track**

## Motivating Communication: How to Get People to Talk More About What Matters Most

What clients and others don't tell you can really hurt, especially when you find out too late. This one-of-a-kind session will help you and your colleagues reduce unproductive behaviors like problem avoidance and whining, and teach you techniques for modeling open, full, and prompt communication. You will learn:

- Four direct steps for encouraging direct communication
- · Positive problem-solving techniques
- Barriers that interfere with healthy communication and how to eliminate them

Michael Brandwein, Lincolnshire, IL

## **Technology Track**

## **Getting the Most from Microsoft Outlook**



Microsoft Outlook can be an effective email communications tool, but gaining and keeping control over your inbox can sometimes seem futile. This session will bring you closer to that elusive state of email nirvana by demonstrating:

- Strategies and techniques for powering through a cluttered inbox
- Outlook's helpful email features, security settings, and add-ins

Nerino J. Pertro, Jr., The Erickson Group, Rockford, IL; Bryan Sims, Sims Law Firm Ltd., Naperville, IL; Reid F. Trautz, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, D.C.

## **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## Becoming a Happy Lawyer Without Finding Work-Life Balance

Traditional tips for managing work-life balance are not practical for the practicing attorney. Log out of your email and clients call the office to see if you are ignoring them. Take a day off and suddenly you're behind on filing an emergency motion. In this session, you'll learn why achieving work-life balance isn't always realistic, but also, how acknowledging that reality can help you live your best life. This session will explore:

- Why the traditional "5-steps to work-life balance" doesn't work
- Why the constant search for work-life balance is making you unhappy
- How embracing the realities of private practice leads to greater happiness

Deanne M. Koll, Bakke Norman, S.C., New Richmond

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## 3:55 - 4:55 p.m.

## **Plenary**

## Gadgets, Gizmos, and Widgets

Back by popular demand, this session will give you technological tips to improve your law practice so you can destress and enjoy life more. You will learn:

- · Tips for getting more from your favorite gadgets and office equipment
- New gizmos that can streamline your work processes

Brett Burney, Burney Consultants LLC, Chagrin Falls, OH; Nerino J. Petro, Jr., The Erickson Group, Rockford, IL; Bryan Sims, Sims Law Firm Ltd., Naperville, IL

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

## 7:30 – 8:20 a.m.

## **Plenary**

## **Substantive Law at Sunrise**

Whether you have a specific or general law practice, you still need to be familiar with a range of substantive law issues. This rapid-fire primer will familiarize you with practice areas that every solo practitioner should know about. You'll learn:

- What's new in real estate, bankruptcy, family law, intellectual property, and criminal defense
- · How to refer clients with needs outside your practice
- · Confidence-building tips for adding a new practice area

Kate Knowlton, Knowlton Law Group LLC, Wauwatosa; J. David Krekeler, Krekeler Strother, S.C., Madison; Sarah L. Ruffi, Ruffi Law Offices, S.C., Wausau: Anne Wal, von Briesen & Roper S.C., Milwaukee; Michael Seung-Hyock Yang, MY Law Office LLC, Madison

## 8:30 - 9:20 a.m.

#### **Substantive Track**

#### Advising Small Businesses Regarding Tax Liability

The past year has brought big changes for small businesses regarding tax liability. The Tax Cut and Jobs Act (TCJA) made significant changes to the corporate income tax and taxes on pass-through businesses, including S-Corporations. Meanwhile, a recent Supreme Court decision held that states can hold outof-state retailers liable for use tax on their customers' purchases. This session will address:

- Practical implications of the TCJA for small service corporations
- · Summary of key 2019 tax developments
- · Application of the Qualified Business Income Deduction to your firm, and your client's business
- · Planning for state sales and use tax on remote sales
- · A brief overview on how to help your clients reduce their property tax liability

Alison E. Helland, Boardman & Clark LLP, Madison; Douglas A. Pessefall, Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren, S.C., Milwaukee

### **Practice Management Track**

## Promoting Diversity Through Special Business Designations



Co-produced with: Diversity & Inclusion Oversight Committee Obtaining certification or representing clients designated as a Minority Business Enterprise, Women-Owned Business Enterprise, or Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise can increase a business's competitive advantage. This session will offer insights on:

- The steps to obtaining a minority-owned business designation
- · How MBE-certified businesses positively impact individuals and communities
- The economic advantages of seeking certification

Emery K. Harlan, MWH Law Group LLP, Milwaukee; Tru Mwololo, State of Wiscosnin, Department of Administration, Madison; Michael Seung-Hyock Yang, MY Law Office LLC, Madison

### **Technology Track**

## The Amazing Value of Video Conferencing

From one-to-one conference calls to multi-party settlement conferences, video is more useful than ever before. Yet, while video technology opens up a world of possibilities for both small and large law firms, many lawyers report still feeling uncomfortable using video. Others lament that web conversations lack human connection and aren't "real" meetings. This session will help you become more confident in your skills by covering:

- The benefits of digital discussions
- · What tools to use
- · Confidentiality and security concerns
- Tips and ideas to be your best

Nerino J. Pertro, Jr., The Erickson Group, Rockford, IL; Reid F. Trautz, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, D.C.

## **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## Protecting Client Information — How to Win When Fighting Technology

Explore the risks of digitally communicating with clients and learn techniques for how to safely transmit information in the 21st century. You will:

- Review your obligations under the Duty of Competence
- · Explore ways to protect client information
- · Discuss proper usage of social media
- · Learn what technology traps to avoid

Dean R. Dietrich, Dietrich VanderWaal Law Group, S.C., Wausau



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## **SATURDAY** (Continued)

## 9:50 - 10:40 a.m.

**Substantive Track** 

### **Blockchain and Smart Contracts**

"Blockchain" and "smart contracts" used to be futuristic buzzwords, but nowadays, businesses are regularly employing blockchain-powered, self-executing contracts or "smart contract technology." These technologies have the potential to bring massive transactional efficiencies to every aspect of transactional and commercial life, in all industries, across the globe. In this session, you'll learn:

- What blockchain, artificial intelligence, and smart contracts are
- How these new technologies are deployed
- What legal issues you should be aware of when working with clients using these technologies

Jeffrey M. Glazer, UW Law & Entrepreneur Clinic, Madison

## **Practice Management Track**

## Check Your Attitude, Win Your Case

Get ready for a fast paced, interactive workshop that will empower you and your clients to view life events in a whole new way. Learn how to view the circumstances in your clients' cases as neutral, so you can diffuse negative energy and tension that keeps you from developing a strong strategy. Build a strong case and drive your desired outcome by learning how to:

- · Define the goal of representation
- Take ownership of how your attitude affects a situation's results
- · Refocus your perspective
- Move toward your goal with a clear head and confident attitude

Sarah L. Ruffi, Ruffi Law Offices, S.C., Wausau

## **Technology Track**

## Ask the Tech Guys: Law Firm Technology Workshop

Do you want to implement more technology into your law practice, but don't know where to start? Do you have questions on what tools are available, or how to implement options you've already found?

During this session, you will:

- Get recommendations for tech tools for solo and small law firms
- Find out what tools may be a good match for your tech ability
- Learn the best ways to start implementing new tools into your practice
- Have the opportunity to ask all of your lingering tech questions

Brent J. Hoeft, FirmLock Consulting LLC, Madison; Christopher C. Shattuck, State Bar of Wisconsin, Madison

## **Quality of Life/Ethics Track**

## Ins and Out of (In)Active Practice in Wisconsin



Only active and emeritus State Bar members may practice law in Wisconsin. This session will cover best practices for lawyers who are looking to take a timeout from practice or assume a non-attorney career role. We'll explore the quasi-legal roles an inactive Wisconsin lawyer can participate in that don't require reactivating membership, how to reframe your communication to avoid inadvertently giving legal advice, as well as how to position yourself to re-enter practice. Learn how to:

- Assess whether to go inactive
- · Prepare your clients (and your files) for the transition
- Rephrase business communication so it's not mistaken for legal advice
- Return to active practice after a hiatus, sabbatical, or extended medical leave

Scott E. Mickelson, Total Administrative Services Corporation, Madison

## 10:50 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

#### **Plenary**

## The Fine Art of Getting Paid ... Ethically

For many lawyers, recording time, billing clients, and getting paid is the worst part of running a practice. This session will help you improve your processes so you can boost your client relationships and capture more of what you've earned! You will learn how to:

- · Create an ethical and profitable representation agreement
- · Set fees for your clients
- Avert ethical and financial troubles
- · Avoid accounts receivable

Reid F. Trautz, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, D.C.

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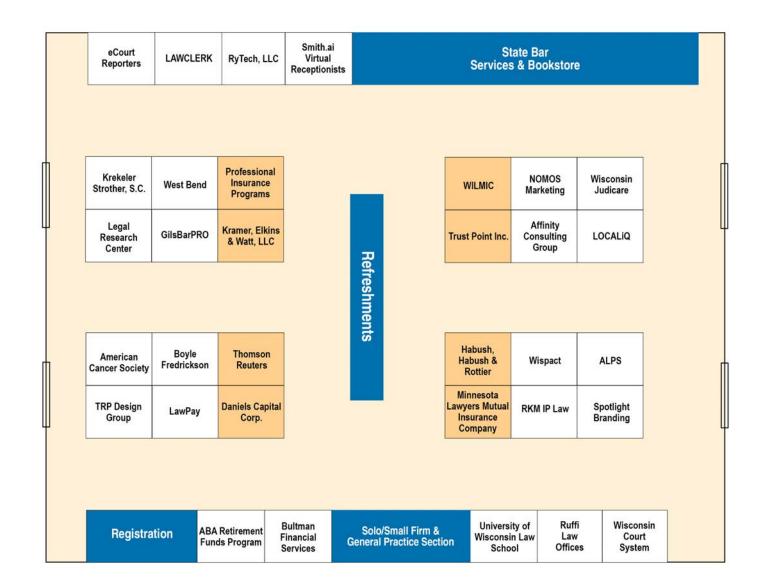
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