

GETTING TO KNOW OUR SPEAKERS

It's not too late to sign-up and listen to the following speakers. Just go online and register. When you do, don't forget to go online or call Squaw Creek and reserve your room while the promo rate is still offered.

Harold McElhinny

IP Law and the Importance of Dry Martini's

Harold served as the lead trial counsel during the 2012 *Apple v. Samsung* case venued in the U.S. Federal Court, Northern District. He was able to secure a \$290 million dollar verdict on retrial, bringing total damages awarded to Apple in the amount of \$930 million. On March 21, 2016, the U.S. Supreme Court announced that it will hear the appeal case. This is the first time the U.S. Supreme Court has taken up a patent case since the 1800's. In 2014, he defended Target Stores in connection with its data breach. He was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers as a fellow in 2007.

Allison Margolin

A History of Marijuana Law

A graduate from Harvard Law and Columbia University, Allison practices criminal defense and civil litigation in the Los Angeles area. She is a frequent writer on the topics on the drug war, search and seizure law and has appeared as an expert regarding internet privacy law and medical marijuana law. She has appeared on the cover of California Lawyer Magazine, the Los Angeles Times and the Los Angeles Daily Journal. She also lectures on the legal issues encountered in California for various bar associations, CEB and public defender offices. She is affectionately known as L.A.'s Dopest Lawyer.

Justice Mark Simons

Electronic Evidence Admissibility: Proper Foundation and Hearsay Issues

Justice Simons was appointed to the First District Court of Appeal in 2001 after serving 20 years as a Judge in Contra Costa. He has served as the Dean of the B.E. Witkin Judicial College where he currently teaches evidence to new judges. In 2000 and 2010, he received the Bernard Jefferson Award for Excellence in Judicial Education from the California Judges Association. In 2014, he was a co-recipient (with Justice Corrigan) of the first annual Distinguished Service Award in Judicial Education from the California Judicial Council.

Following Justice Simons' presentation, we are delighted to present a copy of his California Evidence Manual (The Expert Series) to a lucky attendee.

Prof. Albert Lin

Criminal Law/Crawford Issues - Sixth Amendment Right to Confront Witnesses

Prof. Lin, a Professor of Law at UCD School of Law, was recently interviewed on Capital Public Radio pertaining to his insights on Judge Merrick Garland's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court as he once clerked for Judge Garland at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. He is also a visiting scholar, ICADE Faculty of Law, Universidad Pontificia Comillas, Madrid Spain. His

background includes working for the U.S. DOJ, Environment & National Resources Division as a trial attorney, earning a Special Achievement Award. In addition to clerking for Judge Garland, he also clerked for Hon. James Browning, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He earned numerous awards while attending U.C. Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law, and has written articles and book chapters in addition to 3 books on Environmental Policy. He has also been a speaker and presenter for numerous conferences. He is admitted to practice law in both California and the District of Columbia.

Neil Pedersen

Practice Management/Managing a Paperless Office

Neil's practice encompasses most of the courts in Southern California to include the counties of Orange, Los Angeles, San Diego, Ventura, San Bernardino and Riverside County. His practice includes insurance coverage and bad faith, employment discrimination and wrongful termination, and business litigation. He lectures on insurance law issues, is a fee arbitrator, and a mediator, through Orange County Bar Association, adjunct faculty member teaching legal writing and a lecturer on law practice management issues. He has also prepared and managed the preparation of several database programs for organizing thousands of documents produced in discovery.

Cami McLaren

Time Management for Attorneys-Work Smarter, Not Harder

Cami presented at our conference in 2014. Her presentation on Time Management was well received. She has been coaching attorneys since 2008 and is a certified Performance Coach, Leadership Coach and a Neuro-Linguistics Programming Practitioner. A graduate from McGeorge School of Law, she practiced law for 16 years before venturing into coaching. She is well-aware of the pressures attorneys in law firms and sole practitioners face and helps attorneys find that balance between work and home life to avoid burnout and stress.

Kenneth Bacon & Lorraine Walsh

Ins and Outs of Fee Arbitrations

Were you aware of the PCBA's Fee Arbitration program? This presentation will educate you on both our local program and the State Bar Program.

Ken is a senior associate in the Civil Litigation Department of Mastagni Holstedt. He is certified in legal malpractice from the State Bar's Board of Legal Specialization. He is the presiding arbitrator for the State Bar Mandatory Fee Arbitration Program and chair of the Sacramento County Bar Association's Mandatory Fee Arbitration Program.

Lorraine practices in Walnut Creek and often writes articles for the Contra Costa Bar Association's newsletter. She has been practicing over 30 years and is certified in Legal Malpractice law. She has served on the Board of Governors of the State Bar's Committee on Mandatory Fee Arbitration. Her practice focuses on controversies involving attorneys and clients, including malpractice and malicious prosecution actions, and fee disputes. She has consulted and testified as an expert witness on the standard of care and conduct on fee issues.

Gary Rothstein & Mary Martinelli
Estate Planning/Family Law Crossover

A divorce involving a high value of property division can be tricky. Together, Gary and Mary will discuss the issues that arise in family law and estate planning and what to consider in the division of property, trusts and retirement accounts.

Gary is Of Counsel with the Weintraub firm's Trust and Estates Group. Part of his practice consists of representing and advising individuals and families on estate planning, including estate, gift and generation-skipping transfer tax issues. He is often a speaker on estate planning issues.

Mary is a partner at Downey Brand focusing her practice in the area of family law. She is a certified family law specialist. She is known for her passionate advocacy and litigation skills with experience in the typical dissolution/child custody issues as well as pre- and post-marital agreements, domestic partnership, same-sex family issues and domestic violence issues. She has been honored by numerous local and national publications. She is also a writer for CEB and Thomson Reuters publications. Although she has 5 children (three of whom are adopted), she still finds time to volunteer time for community organizations that benefit children, WEAVE, the MIND Institute and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Donna DeCuir
Family Law Update

Donna is a Placer born resident with an office in Citrus Heights. She focuses her practice on Family Law, and became a Certified Family Law Specialist in 1992. She has served as a Judge Pro Tem in El Dorado, Placer and Sacramento Counties, and is an arbitrator for the Placer County Fee Arbitration Panel. She is also an Attorney for the Placer County Dependency Panel, and serves as Minor's Counsel. We welcome her back as a speaker in the family law program.

Brad Wishek
Fourth Amendment/Criminal Law Update and Professional Licenses Criminal Conduct Consequences

Brad is a partner in Rothchilds Wishek and Sands focusing his practice on the defense of persons and businesses accused of crime or facing regulatory or professional discipline. His experience in criminal law is vast (DUI, vehicular manslaughter, assault, rape, embezzlement, insurance fraud, etc.), including professional licensing matters from medical professionals and attorneys to licensed contractors, engineering firms and a non-profit drug and alcohol programs. He is also an adjunct professor in the trial practice program at UCD School of Law, and serves on the board of directors of Clean & Sober, Inc. He is a frequent presenter for CEB and Lorman on a variety of topics and has been a board member on numerous associations including Anthony M. Kennedy Inn of Court and the Milton L. Schwartz/David F. Levi Inn of Court.

Roger Dreyer
Effective Jury Selection in Civil Trials

Roger is a well known trial attorney in the Sacramento region representing plaintiffs in high profile cases. A graduate of UCD and Hastings Law, he has been presented with Trial Lawyer of the Year by the American Board of Trial Advocates and by the Consumer Attorneys of California. He has also been recognized by the Non-Profit Resource Center of the Sacramento Metro Chamber of Commerce as the Outstanding Board Leader for his work for the Child Abuse Prevention Center.

Steve Campora
Civil Trial Practice - Do's and Don'ts

Steve began his career defending large corporations in personal injury and construction cases. Since 2002, he has worked with Roger Dreyer and became a partner in the firm in 2008 representing plaintiffs. In 2010, he was named Advocate of the Year with Robert Buccola for their work on behalf of injury victims. He was a finalist in 2010 for the Consumer Attorneys of California's trial lawyer of the year. He is a McGeorge alum receiving honors for Member of the Coif, Traynor Honor Society and graduated with distinction.

David Carr & Edward McIntyre
What, Me Worry? Ethics, eDiscovery and Why you Might and Ethical Competence for Litigators Confronted with Emerging Technologies

David Carr has worked with the State Bar to include Assistant Chief Trial Counsel, Manager and Deputy Trial Counsel, Discipline Prosecutor, and as a staff attorney in the Audit and Review department. His practice in San Diego specializes in discipline defense, bar admissions, attorney professional responsibility and ethics advice. After working many years for the State Bar, he returned to private practice 15 years ago and is an active member of the Legal Ethics Committee of the San Diego Bar Association. He was president of the Association of Discipline Defense Counsel from 2008-2011. He has also testified as an expert pertaining to the California Rules of Professional Conduct.

Ed writes often for the San Diego Bar Association's newsletter on the topic of ethics. He is a frequent presenter at S.D. Bar Association CLE events. He is Vice Chair of San Diego County Legal Ethic Committee and is a member of the American Bar Association Center for Professional Responsibility. From 2008-2011, he was a member of the State Bar's Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct. He is a graduate of Temple University-James E. Beasley School of Law and holds a M.A. in Philosophy and an AB in Classics, Classical Language, Literatures and Linguistics from Fordham University. In his spare time, he likes to run marathons to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Jeffrey Galvin
A Litigator's Take on How to Avoid or Reduce Estate Plan Combustion

Jeff is a partner with Downey Brand. He has litigated matters involving trust and estate issues in addition to the banking industry. He has written a number of articles involving estates and trusts for the California Trusts and Estates Quarterly, Sacramento Lawyer Magazine and the San Francisco and L.A. Daily Journals.