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Present

NINTH CIRCUIT APPELLATE PRACTICE WORKSHOP

Wednesday, August 20, 2008

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

United States Court of Appeals

125 S. Grand Ave, Pasadena, CA

Participants in this one-day workshop will have an opportunity to brief a case and have that brief critiqued by workshop faculty, participate in panel discussions with judges and appellate practitioners, and see experienced Ninth Circuit advocates argue the case to a panel of Ninth Circuit judges. Attendance is not limited, but the brief critique is limited to the first 50 participants.

MCLE: 5 Hr. General MCLE. This activity has been approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) credit by the State Bar of California. The FBA certifies that this activity conforms to the standards of approved education activities prescribed by the rules and regulations of the State Bar of California governing minimum continuing legal education.

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Program

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Reception

Program Registration Form:

Return form and correct fees, checks payable to the Federal Bar Association, by August 13, 2008 to:

FBA, 210 N. Glenoaks Blvd. Ste C, Burbank, CA 91502 818. 843.1020 fax: 818.843.7423 fbala@emaoffice.com

72 hr. written notice of cancellation required for refund. No shows will be billed at the same day price.

Name: _____ Firm: _____

Address _____

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Date of Admission to the CA Bar ____/____/____ Bar No. (Required if you wish to receive MCLE) _____

Registration Fees:

Full Program, with brief writing: \$300 / \$175 for Government, Solo, Public Interest Lawyers & Students
Must register no later than July 16, 2008

Program without brief writing: \$250 / \$125 for Government, Solo, Public Interest Lawyers & Students
Please register by August 13, 2008. Registrations after August 13 incur a \$50 late fee.

\$50 discount for current FBA member

Total

Program Schedule:

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Brief-Writing Panel 1: General Discussion on Persuasive Brief-Writing, Reply Brief, Ethics in Brief Writing, Standards of Review, Statutory Interpretation

Moderator: Jean Rosenbluth, Director of Legal Writing & Advocacy, USC

Panelists: Hon. Richard A. Paez, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
Hon. Sandra S. Ikuta, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
Michael Raphael, Chief, Criminal Appeals, U.S. Attorney's Office
Michael Tanaka, Chief of Appeals, Office of the Federal Public Defender

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Brief Writing Panel II: Recurring or Serious Problems Observed in the Briefs Submitted by program Participants

Moderator: Brian Hoffstadt, Jones Day

Panelists: Becky Walker, Mannatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP
Ahilan Arulanantham, ACLU of Southern California

11:45 a.m. Lunch and Individual Critiques: A 15 minute individual critique by a faculty member of each participants brief.

1:00 p.m. Ninth Circuit Staff Presentations: A series of 15 minute presentations on issues for counsel in Ninth Circuit operations. These sessions are designed for participants to learn about the nuts-and-bolts operations of the courts before or after the individual critiques.

Clerk's Office Molly Dwyer, Clerk of Court
Susan Gelmis, Supervising Attorney
Cole Benson, Supervising Paralegal

Mediator: Margaret Corrigan, Mediator

2:00 p.m. Oral Argument Panel: 1) Preparing and Presenting Arguments, Handling Questions, and Ethical Issues. 2) Oral argument from the insider's perspective, the attorneys preview of their strategy, and the argument itself. 3) The argument post-mortem, including the Judges' post-argument conference and decision; panel discussion as to the success or failure of counsel's strategies; whether the courts' expectations were met; and questions from the audience.

Panel Hon. Alex Kozinski, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
Hon. Marsha Berzon, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
Hon. Consuelo Callahan, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
Moderator: Therese Stewart, San Francisco City Attorney's Office
Advocates: Mark Epstein, Munger Tolles & Olson LLP
Laura Brill, Irell & Manella LLP

4 -5:00 p.m. Reception