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YOUNG LAWYERS COMMITTEE

Presents

TRIAL ACADEMY 2022



NOVEMBER 4TH AND 5TH

**WVU College of Law
101 Law School Drive
Morgantown, West Virginia 26506**

WV CLE Credits Pending

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

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Cost per person: \$400.00 Members _____
\$525.00 Non-Members _____

Total Enclosed: _____

**Registration Deadline: November 1, 2022
(SPOTS ARE LIMITED)**

Mail Registration form and payment to:

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The DTCWV Young Lawyers Committee is proud to present its 2022 Trial Academy. This program features outstanding trial lawyers from West Virginia. Planned by a committee of DTCWV young lawyers, the topics are tailored to the skills young lawyers need to effectively engage in trial practice. This comprehensive two-day event includes a skills-based component that will permit young attorneys to improve their skills and receive feedback from the presenters.

Friday, November 4th

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| 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. | Continental Breakfast |
| 8:00 to 8:15 a.m. | Welcome & Introduction |
| 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. | Preparation of Expert Witnesses |
| 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. | Cross Examination |
| 10:15 to 10:30 a.m. | Morning Break |
| 10:30 to 11:30 p.m. | Direct Examination |
| 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. | Lunch |
| 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. | Pre-Trial Considerations & Motions in Limine |
| 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. | The Art of Persuasion in Trial Presentation |
| 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. | Small Group Practice Direct and Cross Examination |
| 6:00 p.m. | Happy Hour with Attendees at Erickson Alumni Center |

Happy Hour – Alumni Center

6:00 pm Friday Evening

Saturday, November 5th

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| 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. | Continental Breakfast |
| 8:00 to 8:15 a.m. | Welcome & Announcements |
| 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. | Addressing the Jury: Effective Opening and Closing Arguments |
| 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. | Using & Admitting Evidence at Trial |
| 10:15 to 10:30 a.m. | Morning Break |
| 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. | The Ethics of Opening Statements |
| 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. | Lunch |
| 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. | Jury Instructions |
| 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. | Small Group Practice Opening Statements and Closing Arguments |

TRIAL ACADEMY FACULTY

- Honorable Jennifer Bailey
Circuit Court of Kanawha County
- Honorable Lawrence Miller
Circuit Court of Preston County, Senior Status
- Shawn Morgan
Steptoe & Johnson PLLC
- Natalie Schaefer
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- Jill Rice
Dinsmore & Shohl LLP
- Debra Scudiere
Scudiere Mediation
- Tim Miller
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CLE Credit: WV CLE Credits pending. Reporting forms will be distributed after the meeting.

Seminar Materials: A packet of mock trial materials will be sent to attendees electronically prior to the Trial Academy to allow for advance preparation for the small group practice sessions. All attendees should review the packet and be familiar with the facts prior to arrival at the seminar.

Breakfast and Lunch Provided

Hotel Block Accommodations: For attendees outside of Morgantown, a block of rooms has been reserved at the Suncrest Hilton Garden Inn and a special rate of \$119 per night (available Nov. 3-5). The direct dial for the hotel is (304) 225-9500 and a direct link to book online is below. Rate expires October 3, 2022, so book early!

Hotel Booking Link:
<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=MGWGIGI&arrivaldate=2022-11-03&departuredate=2022-11-05&roomTypeCode=K1RZ,Q2RZ&srpCodes=DTC>

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