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Applying for Professional Liability Insurance

Wednesday, June 7, 12:00–1:00 pm

Presented by: Law Practice Management & Technology Division

Unlike other types of insurance, lawyers professional liability insurance underwriters have a lot of discretion in how they set the premium for your malpractice policy. Learn from an “industry insider” about how underwriters review your firm, issues that might affect your quote as a result of what is on your firm’s website, how to avoid possible “red flags,” and the best ways to lower the amount you pay for coverage!

Speaker: Stephen S. van Wert, President, Founders Specialty, Tampa, Florida.

Hot Topics in Bankruptcy

Thursday, June 8, 2:00–5:00 pm

Presented by: YLS Bankruptcy

Topics include Recent Developments in Avoidance Actions, Cautionary Tales: Ethical Issues in Bankruptcy Cases, and Objecting to Discharge, Revocation of Discharge, and other remedies for creditors.

Participants include Eric S. Chafetz, Lowenstein Sandler LLP; Joe Cashel, BDO; Brian J. Jackiw, Goldstein & McClintock LLP; Eileen Donahue, ARDC; John F. Hiltz, Hiltz & Zanzig LLC; Michelle Novick, Arnstein & Lehr, LLP; and Bill Williams, Arnstein & Lehr, LLP.

Moving Forward in Complex Markets

Friday, June 9, 2:00–5:00 pm

Presented by: Futures and Derivatives Law

Attorneys in the futures and derivatives industry must stay abreast of new and changing regulations in an ever-evolving regulatory landscape. With a new administration now in place in Washington, more changes can be expected.

Participants include James McDonald, Director, Division of Enforcement, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Bill Walsh, Market Regulation Department, CME Group, Inc.; John Ruark, Funkhouser Vegosen Liebman & Dunn Ltd.; Jay Biondo, Neurensic; Jennifer Tveiten Rifman, Gelber Group LLC; Dan Reicher, Jump Trading, LLC; Amir Zaidi, Director, Division of Market Oversight, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Carol McGee, Assistant Director, Office of Derivatives Policy, Division of Trading and Markets, U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission; and Stephen Berger, Citadel LLC; and Moderators Jake Kahn, Riley Safer Holmes & Cancilia LLP; Hank Bell, Fifth Third Bank; and Stephen Humenik, Covington & Burling, LLP.

Hot Topics in Workers’ Compensation

Wednesday, June 14, 2:00–5:00 pm

Presented by: Workers’ Compensation

Topics include New Rule Changes at the Illinois Workers’ Compensation Commission, Appellate Procedures, and Opioid Management in Workers’ Compensation Cases.

Participants include Commissioner Michael Brennan, Illinois Workers’ Compensation Commission; Mark Matranga, Nyhan Bambrick Kinzie & Lowry; Dr. Samir Sharma, Pain & Spine Institute; and Moderator Efi Poziopoulos James, Baum Ruffolo & Marzal; Chair, CBA Worker’ Compensation Committee.

Taking & Defending Depositions in State & Federal Court

Thursday, June 15, 2:00–5:00 pm

Presented by: Continuing Legal Education

Sharpen your deposition skills by attending this seminar. Expert attorneys who practice in state and federal court will instruct you on both preparing for and controlling depositions, followed by a live demonstration of common ethical pitfalls with rulings by Judge Diane Larsen. Attorneys with little or no experience in taking depositions, as well as lawyers wanting to improve their skills will benefit from this seminar.

Participants include Edward J. Matushek III, Matushek Nilles LLC; Daniel M. Kotin, Tomasik Kotin Kasserman, LLC; CBA President 2016-2017; Robert S. Minetz, Latimer LeVay Fyock LLC; and Moderator Hon. Diane J. Larsen, Chancery Division, Circuit Court of Cook County.

Handling Cases Involving Self-Represented Litigants

Monday, June 19, 12:00–1:30 pm

Presented by: Continuing Legal Education

Many litigants have no other choice but to represent themselves due to their inability to afford legal representation and the limits on the availability of free legal services. This panel discussion will explore the increasing number of SLRs in our courts and their impact on court proceedings. Attendees will also hear how judges interact with SLRs and ways in which the court system is trying to address this increase.

Participants include Hon. Alison C. Conlon, Circuit Court of Cook County; Co-Chair, CBF Circuit Court Pro Se Advisory Committee; Phillip J. Mohr, Deputy Director, Chicago Volunteer Legal Services; Samira Nazem, Self-Represented Litigant Services Specialist, Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts; and Moderator: Michael G. Bergmann, Executive Director, Public Interest Law Initiative.

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Members of the **Chicago Daily Law Bulletin's** 2016 Class of Top Forty Attorneys Under 40 joined the YLS for evening of advice and networking. The diverse group of panelists included **J. Alex Jacobson** of Berger Schatz who practices in the area of family law, **Roshan P. Shrestha**, Ph.D of Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP who practices in the area of intellectual property, **William T. "Toby" Eveland** of Arnstein & Lehr LLP, who practices in the area of corporate law, and **Ivan Poullaos** of Winston & Strawn LLP, who practices in the area of intellectual property. The panelists discussed a variety of the career-related topics ranging from client development to work/life balance issues to diversity and inclusion within their firms. The audience was comprised primarily of law students and lawyers within their first five years of practice looking to learn from the all-star panelists about their roadmap to success. The panel was moderated by YLS Special Project Coordinator **Goli Rahimi**, who is an associate at Gordon & Rees, and was hosted by the YLS Career Assistance Committee. A networking reception followed the panel where attendees had an opportunity to mingle with the panelists. Photos by Bill Richert.

CBA & CBF Pro Bono & Public Service Awards Luncheon

Seven exceptionally dedicated attorneys will be celebrated for their outstanding work at The Chicago Bar Association and The Chicago Bar Foundation 19th Annual Pro Bono and Public Service Awards Luncheon on July 17. The awards honor several of the profession's unsung heroes from a broad cross-section of the legal community, recognizing their dedication to pro bono and public service.

The luncheon will be held at The Fairmont Hotel Chicago, with a reception at 11:30 and the program to begin at noon. Tickets and more information is available at www.chicagobarfoundation.org/awards-luncheon.

LRS Launches First Flat Fee Service for Uncontested Divorces

In an effort to bridge the access to justice gap and take the guesswork out of legal fees, the CBA Lawyer Referral Service (LRS) launched its first flat fee referral panel this month. Consumers who qualify will pay just \$899, plus costs, for an uncontested divorce. To learn more, contact LRS Director Brenda Ott at 312-554-2071.

YLS Annual Meeting is June 7

CBA members are invited to attend the YLS Annual Meeting on June 7 at 11:30 a.m. at Harry Carey's Italian Steakhouse, 33 W. Kinzie Avenue. 2016-2017 Chair Kathryn Carso Liss will preside over the meeting and celebrate the Section's many accomplishments and outstanding committees, seminars and special projects.

The Section will honor the following individuals for their contributions during the 2016-2017 bar year: Maryam Fakouri, Columbia College, and Ross Hersemann, Loading Law, chairs of the Creative Arts Committee, will receive the David C. Hilliard Award for Outstanding Committee Service; Alexander Memmen, The Memmen Law Firm, will receive the Milton H. Gray Award for Outstanding Project Leadership; and Thomas Cramer, Cramer Law Chicago P.C., will receive the Rising Star Award for a Leader with Exceptional Promise.

A cocktail reception will take place at 11:30 a.m., followed by the luncheon at 12:00 p.m. Tickets are \$45 per person. Register at www.chicagobar.org/ylsmeeting or call 312-554-2056.

CBA Annual Meeting is June 22

The CBA will host its 144th Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 22, at The Standard Club, 320 S. Plymouth Ct., Chicago. Outgoing President Daniel M. Kotin will preside over the Meeting. Incoming President Judge Thomas R. Mulroy will also make remarks. 11:30 a.m. reception, followed by 12:00 p.m. luncheon.

The cost is \$70 per person. For reservations, contact Tamra Drees at 312-554-2057.

YLS Social is June 15 at Concrete Cowboy

Grab a friend and join the CBA/YLS at the Concrete Cowboy, 646 N. Franklin, Chicago, on June 15 at 6:00 p.m. Free drinks and appetizers while they last, followed by cash bar. No RSVP necessary.

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Committee Meetings

Following is a list of committees that have notified the CBA of their speaker/topic. This list is subject to change. For updated information go to www.chicagobar.org.

June 6

Committee on Attorney Malpractice
Meeting cancelled.

M Environmental Law

Richard J. Vamos, DAJ Environmental, and David G. Mueller, Guscott Mueller Law, Illinois' response to Flint-type water hazards.

M Mental Health & Disability Law

Matthew Lango with Chicago's new disability access regulations.

M Solo/Small Firm Practitioners

Phil Terrazino with lessons learned from the bench and from private practice.

June 7

M Aviation Law

Kathryn G. Hughes, M.D., M.P.H., DAVMED, the Pilot's Bill of Rights.

Business Law

Meeting cancelled.

Consumer Credit

Meeting cancelled. Rescheduled to June 14.

P Municipal and Law (off-site, 8:00 a.m.)

Location: Daley Center, Courtroom 1307. James J. Grogan, ARDC issues to avoid.

June 8

Energy Telecommunications and Water
Meeting cancelled.

Federal Taxation, Exempt Organization

Meeting cancelled.

Legal Aid

Documentary screening.

M Real Estate Taxation, Tax Sale Tax Deed

In the Matter of the Application of the County Collector, 2017 IL App (1st) 160427-U.

M Real Property Law

Hot topic: current IDFPF prosecutions against Illinois licensed attorneys.

June 9

M Election Law

Brian Wojcicki, Whitt Law, legislative update.



You and the Law: Legal Landscape of the Craft Beverage Industry. Catch the latest episode of “You and the Law” on the CBA’s YouTube Channel. Host/Attorney Michael Alkaraki discusses legal issues in the craft beverage industry with guests Ashley Brandt of Goldstein & McClintock and Michael Raspatello of October Magazine. Amateur brewers interested in turning their hobby into a business will gain valuable insights from our experienced panelists. Watch now at www.youtube.com/chicagobar.



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