

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Solo and Small Firm Conference – 2010

October 21 – 23, 2010

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<b>Thursday, October 21</b>	
<b>7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 a.m. – 10:00a.m.</b> (pre-registration required) <i>Capitol/Illinois Ballroom</i>	<b>Fastcase: Introduction to Legal Research Training</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <i>Christina L. Steinbrecker, Bar Relations Manager, Fastcase, Washington, D.C.</i>
<b>10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.</b> (pre-registration required) <i>Capitol/Illinois Ballroom</i>	<b>Fastcase: Advanced Legal Research Training</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <i>Christina L. Steinbrecker, Bar Relations Manager, Fastcase, Washington, D.C.</i>
<b>11:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Exhibits – Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b>
<b>11:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.</b> <i>Mezzanine Lobby</i>	<b>Professional Business Portraits for Attendees by Daniels-Ackerman Photography</b> (Complimentary to Registered Attendees) <b>Sponsored by The Lawyer Market, Chicago</b>  <b>Market Your Practice Like You Mean It...And on a Shoestring Budget!</b> <i>Chris Ruys Communications, Inc.</i> Looking for new ways to expand your practice? Have a marketing strategy? ISBA's longtime marketing and PR specialist, Chris Ruys, will be available to provide tips, tricks, and advice in short, one-on-one sessions! Bring your firm stationary and business cards and get ideas on how to attract more clients who will pay the fees your deserve through a dignified and cost-effective marketing program. (Complimentary to Registered Attendees) <b>Sponsored by President Mark Hassakis, Hassakis &amp; Hasakis, Mt. Vernon</b>
<b>12:30 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<b>I Have The Power: Using Advanced Legal Features in Microsoft Word</b> <b>0.75 hour MCLE, including 0.75 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i> <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i> The speaker will focus on the key components of Microsoft Word, such as table of contents, page setup, footnotes/endnotes, toolbars, and more! Tips for using advanced features in MS Word are also included. <i>Richard A. Kinner, Attorney at Law, Pleasant Plains</i>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Plaza 3</i>	<b>Fair Debt Collection Practices Act</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>James F. Dunneback, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</i> In this segment, the speaker explains when lawyers are subject to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and advises on how to remain compliant. The latest trends in claims brought under the Act are also included. <i>Jennifer Weller, Hinshaw &amp; Culbertson, LLP, Chicago</i>
Substantive Law <i>Capitol Ballroom</i>	<b>Medicaid: What It Is and Who It Is For</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Timothy J. Storm, Law Offices of Timothy J. Storm, Wauconda</i> This segment provides an overview of the state and federal laws, planning techniques, spousal impoverishment, and financial protection of disabled children/grandchildren. Understanding who pays for the nursing home is also discussed. <i>Constance B. Renzi, Mickey, Wilson, Weiler, Renzi &amp; Andersson P.C., Aurora</i>

<b>1:40 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<p><b>Mac in the Law Office: Running a Macintosh Computer in a Windows World</b>  <b>MCLE/PMCLE credit - unknown</b>  <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i>  <i>Bryan M. Sims, Sims Law Firm, Ltd., Naperville</i></p> <p>This session includes a discussion on the advantages of the Mac platform over a traditional Windows environment, the ease of connectivity and cross-compatibility when working with clients and other attorneys who use a Windows platform (even those within your own firm), examples of Mac software that are useful for the lawyer, and Mac resources for lawyers. An exploration of Mac-friendly mobile devices and options is also included.  <i>Alan R. Press, Attorney at Law, P.C., Lincolnshire</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Plaza 3</i>	<p><b>Developing an Educational Plan for Your Legal Career</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Shayne L. Aldridge, Law Office of Shayne L Aldridge, Pleasant Plains</i></p> <p>Illinois lawyers have been through one MCLE reporting cycle, and we are all now into our second. This segment prepares lawyers for developing a continuing legal education plan that is both personally satisfying and professionally productive. The goal of the segment is to increase the lawyer's understanding of what educational opportunities are available and how one's educational choices can improve one's practice, as well as one's quality of life.  <i>Mary Robinson, RobinsonNiro, LLC, Chicago</i></p>
Substantive Law <i>Capitol Ballroom</i>	<p><b>Doctrine of Inevitable Disclosure / Choice of Entities</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Timothy J. Storm, Law Offices of Timothy J. Storm, Wauconda</i></p> <p>This segment is designed to help the legal practitioner determine which business entity is appropriate for the client's business by examining the Illinois statutory requirements and conversion from one entity to another. An overview of the doctrine of inevitable disclosure, which prevents trade secrets learned from a former employer from being disclosed to a subsequent employer, is also included.  <i>Mark D. Weis, Deere and Company, Moline</i>  <i>R. Stephen Scott, Scott &amp; Scott, P.C., Springfield</i>  <i>Gregory A. Zbylut, Law Office of Gregory A. Zbylut, Chicago</i></p>
<b>2:45 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Break with Exhibitors - Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b>  <b>Sponsored by Washington University Law School Career Services Office</b></p>
<b>3:10 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<p><b>Your Secret Weapon in the War Against Paper: Adobe Acrobat and PDF</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i></p> <p>Imagine having digital copies of your files right at your fingertips, electronically managing your discovery, Bates Stamping a thousand pages in less than a minute, or creating attractive electronic binders for all of your clients' documents! This segment is designed to increase the lawyer's understanding of how to use free software to more efficiently handle the large volume of documents common to the law practice. In addition to data security issues, the speakers discuss how the reduction of time spent on document search and storage will improve accuracy and the firm's productivity, as well as its bottom line.  <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i>  <i>Bryan M. Sims, Sims Law Firm, Ltd., Naperville</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Plaza 3</i>	<p><b>Project Management for Lawyers</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>James F. Dunneback, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</i></p> <p>Serving a client competently is a lawyer's basic obligation. Competence is more than ability; rather, a lawyer's workload must be controlled so that each matter can be handled competently, efficiently, and in a cost-effective time and manner. This segment is designed to increase the lawyer's understanding of skills and techniques of project management as applied within the framework of ethical and professional liability standards. thereby enhancing an attorney's overall competency.  <i>Cheryl Niro, RobinsonNiro, LLC, Chicago</i></p>

Substantive Law <i>Capitol Ballroom</i>	<p><b>Estate Planning for Disability</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Lisa M. Nyuli, Ariano, Hardy, Nyuli, Johnson, Richmond &amp; Goettel, P.C., South Elgin</i></p> <p>The need for a power of attorney is most evident during medical emergencies and instances of sudden disability. This segment discusses the recent developments and changes in the Illinois Power of Attorney Act, as well as an overview of Special Needs/Supplemental Needs Trusts.  <i>Lorraine K. Cavataio, Mathis, Marifian &amp; Richter, Ltd., Belleville</i></p>
<b>4:25 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<p><b>The Barbarians are at the Gate: Securing Your Technology and Your Network</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i>  <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i></p> <p>This segment examines the various ways negligent security practices can wreak havoc on a law firm and offers advice for protecting the personal information that's stored in your firm's electronic database. Topics include: protecting your network from viruses, spyware, and other malicious code; Illinois Personal Information Protection Act; Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act; properly disposing of old computers, and much more!  <i>Aaron W. Brooks, Holmstrom &amp; Kennedy PC, Rockford</i>  <i>Shamla T. Naidoo, Law Offices of Shamla Naidoo, P.C., Chicago</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Plaza 3</i>	<p><b>Winding Down Your Law Practice / Sale of Practice</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Shayne L. Aldridge, Law Office of Shayne L Aldridge, Pleasant Plains</i></p> <p>Illinois' New Rules of Professional Responsibility make it easier than ever to sell your practice comfortably and profitably. This interactive seminar increases the lawyer's understanding of legal and ethical requirements applicable to the closure of a law practice. The speakers review Illinois Supreme Court Rule of Professional Conduct 1.17, in depth, as well as discuss other rules relevant to the sale of a practice, including Rule 1.1 (Competence); Rule 1.5 (Fees); Rule 1.6 (Confidentiality of Information); Rule 1.7 (Conflict of Interest: General Rule); and Rule 1.9 (Conflict of Interest-Former Client). Advice and tips on the <i>specific</i> questions and concerns generated by attendees throughout the seminar are also included.  <i>John T. Phipps, John T. Phipps Law Offices, P.C., Champaign</i>  <i>John H. Maville, Law Offices of John H. Maville, Belvidere</i></p>
Substantive Law <i>Capitol Ballroom</i>	<p><b>The Changing Environment in Consumer Credit Law</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Lisa M. Nyuli, Ariano, Hardy, Nyuli, Johnson, Richmond &amp; Goettel, P.C., South Elgin</i></p> <p>This segment offers a comprehensive overview of the recent developments in consumer credit law. Topics include: recent case law updates for the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act; the Fair Credit Reporting Act; the Truth in Lending and Regulation Z; developments in the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA); the Credit Card Act of 2009 (including new regulations for credit, debit, and gift cards); and the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act.  <i>Timothy J. Howard, Howard and Howard Attorneys P.C., Peoria</i></p>
<b>5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Reception with Exhibitors - Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b> <b>Sponsored by Valparaiso University School of Law</b>
<b>Friday, October 22</b>	
<b>7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast – Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b> <b>Sponsored by LexisNexis®</b>
<b>7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Registration – Mezzanine</b>
<b>8:00 a.m. – 3:50 p.m.</b>	<b>Exhibits – Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b>

<b>8:30 – 9:35 a.m. – Plenary Session – Capitol/Illinois Ballroom</b> <b>Sponsored by ATG Trust Company</b> <b>Contempt of Court: A Lynching That Changed the American Justice System</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator: Bernard Wysocki, Wysocki &amp; Smith, Waukegan</b> January, 1906 – Nevada Taylor, a 21-year-old blond beauty, hops on Chattanooga’s electronic trolley after a long day at work. Before reaching her stop, she was brutally attacked and raped by an unknown assailant. Seventeen days later, a negro drifter was arrested, tried, convicted, and sentenced to hang – even though Taylor couldn’t identify him. Based on his New York Times bestseller, Mark Curriden tells the story of two African-American lawyers practicing law in Tennessee in 1906 whose brave intervention led to the first and only criminal trial ever held in the history of the Supreme Court of the United States! The segment is designed to increase the lawyer’s understanding of what is meant by the term, “the quality of justice” by studying the actions of the attorneys involved in the case, including those who failed him and the legal profession. <b>Mark Curriden, Vinson &amp; Elkins, LLP, Dallas, TX</b>	
<b>9:35 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Break with Exhibitors – Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b> <b>Sponsored by Injury Case Funding, LLC</b>
<b>10:15 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. Breakout Sessions</b>	
Legal Technology <i>Vista 1, 2, &amp; 3 (29<sup>th</sup> floor)</i>	<b>Trial Tech: Taking the Mystery Out of Litigation Support Software and Trial Technology Without Breaking the Bank</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderators: Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</b> <b>Bryan M. Sims, Sims Law Firm, Ltd., Naperville</b> This segment provides attendees with the tools and techniques for incorporating technology into their trials by using lower cost alternatives to the high cost market leaders for this area. This segment aids lawyers in understanding how being familiar with currently available trail technology can help avoid malpractice and provide attendees with the tools and techniques for incorporating technology into their trials by using lower cost alternatives to the high cost market leaders for this area. Topics include: preserving documents without high cost document cameras; organizing trial documents; alternatives for transcript review; and more. <b>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</b> <b>Joshua J. Poje, ABA Legal Technology Resource Center, Chicago</b>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<b>The News Media and Your Law Practice</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator: James F. Dunneback, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</b> Now more than ever, the news media (both traditional and electronic) are playing a role in how legal matters are handled. This segment is designed to increase the lawyer’s understanding of how to communicate with the media on behalf of a client and within the framework of the legal profession’s ethical and liability standards. <b>Mark Curriden, Vinson &amp; Elkins, LLP, Dallas, TX</b>
Substantive Law <i>Plaza 3</i>	<b>Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Bankruptcy: The Trustees’ Perspective</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator: Lisa M. Nyuli, Ariano, Hardy, Nyuli, Johnson, Richmond &amp; Goettel, P.C., South Elgin</b> Prior to the first meeting of creditors in consumer bankruptcy cases, the debtor’s attorney should provide pay schedules, tax returns, and bank statements to the Chapter 7 Trustee. This segment examines the trustee’s perspective of the bankruptcy process in detail. <b>Gary T. Rafool, Rafool, Bourne &amp; Shelby, P.C., Peoria</b> <b>John H. Germeraad, Attorney at Law, Petersburg</b>
<b>11:20 a.m. – 12:50 p.m. – Luncheon – Capitol/Illinois Ballroom</b> <b>Sponsored by GEICO Insurance Company and St. Louis University School of Law</b> <b>Practice Pointers for the Changing Legal Landscape – Part 1</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator: Bernard Wysocki, Wysocki &amp; Smith, Waukegan</b> For many lawyers, learning how to effectively use new technology tools without allowing them to control their practice is a difficult balancing act. This segment prepares the lawyer on how to best adapt to the continuing changes that impact the practice of law. Topics discussed include the challenges and risks posed by technology, growing pressures from outside the profession, and tips for success, including how to seek and embrace change. Part 1 of 2. <b>Dustin A. Cole, Attorneys Master Class, Longwood, FL</b>	

<b>1:00 p.m. – 2:05 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Vista 1, 2, &amp; 3 (29<sup>th</sup> floor)</i>	<p><b>The Security and Ethics of Cloud Computing</b>  <b>MCLE/PMCLE credit - unknown</b>  <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i>  <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i></p> <p>Storing confidential client communications and sensitive documents in “the cloud” of remote servers (such as Gmail and Yahoo) raises questions about a lawyer’s ethical responsibility to safeguard client files. This segment examines the various security issues a lawyer must consider when using cloud computing in a law firm.  <i>Jack Newton, Themis Solutions, Inc. (CLIO), Vancouver, BC, Canada</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<p><b>Running Your Law Firm in Tough Economic Times</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Shayne L. Aldridge, Law Office of Shayne L Aldridge, Pleasant Plains</i></p> <p>In a tough economy, budgets are tighter and workforces smaller. The governmental audit environment is more active and the cost of non-compliance becomes unaffordable. New and long-time clients can become financially unstable, thereby passing their cash flow issues on to the law firm or solo practitioner. This segment addresses each of these issues by focusing on the primary business and operational issues challenging law firms and solo practitioners today, including analysis of revenues and expenses, determining profitability, maintaining consistent cash flow, creative billing solutions, handling overdue accounts ethically, using promissory notes and personal guarantees, and much more!  <i>Steven C. Lindberg, Freedman, Anselmo, Lindberg &amp; Rappe, LLC, Naperville</i>  <i>Cathy Pilkington, Law Offices of Cathy Pilkington, Chicago</i></p>
Substantive Law <i>Plaza 3</i>	<p><b>Hiring for Keeps &amp; Eight Rules for Good Dismissal</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Lisa M. Nyuli, Ariano, Hardy, Nyuli, Johnson, Richmond &amp; Goettel, P.C., South Elgin</i></p> <p>This segment examines the dichotomy between hiring qualified, dependable staff and firing those who are hindering your practice. The purpose of this segment is to increase the lawyer’s knowledge on how to hire qualified and dependable personnel, as well as how to dismiss those employees who hinder the law practice. Topics include: pre-employment screening; the importance of drafting accurate job descriptions; interview issues; negligent hiring; probationary periods; the Internet; references; employment contracts; discipline and documentation; and more.  <i>Tracy C. Litzinger, Howard and Howard Attorneys, P.C., Peoria</i>  <i>Leonard W. Sachs, Howard and Howard Attorneys, P.C., Peoria</i></p>
<b>2:15 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Vista 1, 2, &amp; 3 (29<sup>th</sup> floor)</i>	<p><b>Document Management for the Law Office: Buy It or Build It?</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i>  <i>Bryan M. Sims, Sims Law Firm, Ltd., Naperville</i></p> <p>This segment explores the basic functions of document management systems, including the available options for creating systems for a firm. The presentation covers document management capabilities that are inherent in existing software (such as the Windows file management system and Outlook), as well as the enhanced capabilities provided by several popular document management systems.  <i>Aaron W. Brooks, Holmstrom &amp; Kennedy PC, Rockford</i>  <i>Todd Flaming, Schopf &amp; Weiss LLP, Chicago</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<p><b>Practice Pointers for the Changing Legal Landscape – Part 2</b>  <b>MCLE/PMCLE credit - unknown</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>James F. Dunneback, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</i></p> <p>For many lawyers, learning how to effectively use new technology tools can be difficult. This segment offers practical advice on adapting to change and shows attorneys when to be vigilant and when to be opportunistic in this brave new world of lawyering. Part 2 of 2.  <i>Dustin A. Cole, Attorneys Master Class, Longwood, FL</i></p>

Substantive Law <i>Plaza 3</i>	<b>Avoiding Real Estate Pitfalls in Estate Planning: How NOT To Screw Up!</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Timothy J. Storm, Law Offices of Timothy J. Storm, Wauconda</i> In this segment – which serves as a primer for real estate attorneys who do not practice in the estate planning arena (or those who simply need a refresher) – the speaker discusses four case studies illustrating common real estate issues and how impulsive solutions can adversely impact your client’s estate plan and possibly expose you to an unexpected claim. <i>Anthony John Pankau, Jr., Law Offices of Anthony John Pankau, Jr., Itasca</i>
<b>3:20 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.</b>	<b>Break with Exhibitors – Prairie Ballroom, Mezzanine Level</b> <b>Sponsored by ATG Trust Company</b>
<b>3:55 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology <i>Vista 1, 2, &amp; 3 (29<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>	<b>Practicing in the Cloud: Pros and Cons of Software as a Service (SaaS), Online Document Repository, and Virtual Law Practice</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i> <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i> Software as a Service (SaaS) has become commonplace for many business functions, including practice management, document storage/management, research, and more. The segment is designed to increase the lawyer’s understanding of the advantages and disadvantages of storing data on software accessed online versus storage on a computer. The speaker examines various storage solutions and discusses their possible impact on the confidentiality of client communication, including safeguarding client files and other sensitive information. <i>Joshua J. Poje, ABA Legal Technology Resource Center, Chicago</i>
Substantive Practice <i>Rendezvous Room</i>	<b>Codification of the Illinois Rules of Evidence</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Timothy J. Storm, Law Offices of Timothy J. Storm, Wauconda</i> The Illinois Supreme Court recently published and held public hearings on proposed Illinois Rules of Evidence. The proposed rules are numbered in a manner similar to the Federal Rules of Evidence. This segment summarizes the proposed rules and includes a discussion on how some of the proposed rules will change existing Illinois evidentiary law. <i>Douglas J. Quivey, Londrigan, Potter &amp; Randle, P.C., Springfield</i>
Substantive Law <i>Plaza 3</i>	<b>Foreclosure and Its Alternatives: What Every Lawyer Should Know (Including Implications for Condominiums)</b> <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Lisa M. Nyuli, Ariano, Hardy, Nyuli, Johnson, Richmond &amp; Goettel, P.C., South Elgin</i> Using the Illinois Mortgage Foreclosure Law as a basis, this segment offers a comprehensive overview of the foreclosure process in Illinois. Topics include: reinstatement; redemption periods; recoverable fees, costs and expenses incurred by the lender; considerations when foreclosing on condominiums; and much more! <i>Robert H. Rappe, Jr., Codilis &amp; Associates, P.C., Burr Ridge</i>
<b>5:45 p.m.</b> <i>Pick-up on Adams Street - Hilton circle drive (next to Starbucks)</i>	<b>Shuttles from Hotel to Reception</b> <b>Sponsored by Hoffman &amp; Pomerantz (<a href="http://www.weappear.com">www.weappear.com</a>)</b>
<b>6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Reception at Illinois Executive Mansion</b> <b>Sponsored by ISBA Mutual Insurance Company</b>
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Shuttles Return to Hotel</b> <b>Sponsored by Hoffman &amp; Pomerantz (<a href="http://www.weappear.com">www.weappear.com</a>)</b>
<b>Saturday, October 23</b>	
<b>7:30 – 8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast - Mezzanine</b>
<b>7:30 – 11:20 a.m.</b>	<b>Registration – Mezzanine</b>

<b>8:30 a.m. – 9:35 a.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology Plaza 3	<p><b>Integrating Technology Into The Modern Law Office to Improve Efficiency and Effectiveness Without Spending a Bundle</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i>  <i>Bryan M. Sims, Sims Law Firm, Ltd., Naperville</i></p> <p>This segment examines the essential technological options for modern law offices, including hardware, software, and services. The segment is designed to increase the lawyer’s understanding of how to properly integrate technology into the law office (and, thereby, boost productivity and efficiency) and examines basic cost-effective technology, as well as procedures to help an attorney make the best technology decisions for his or her practice. Topics include: lower-cost alternatives; finding the best return-on-investment options; best practices worth adopting; and more. The segment is designed for a broad audience (no special computer knowledge needed) – those starting a new practice or those just looking to upgrade existing technology.  <i>Joshua J. Poje, ABA Legal Technology Resource Center, Chicago</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice Ambassador Ballroom (lower level)	<p><b>How Health Care Reform Impacts Running Your Law Firm</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>James F. Dunneback, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</i></p> <p>This segment focuses on the key elements of health care reform and includes a brief history of health insurance. In this segment, the speaker assists lawyers in understanding the vital provisions of health care reform and their impact on solo and small firms. The discussion also includes how firms can achieve compliance while controlling long-term costs through the offering of incentives that encourage lifestyle changes and wellness goals.  <i>Larry Grudzien, Attorney at Law, Oak Park</i>  <i>Paul V. Shaheen, The Horton Group, Chicago</i></p>
Substantive Law Capitol Ballroom	<p><b>Common Traffic and DUI Issues for the General Practitioner</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Timothy J. Storm, Law Offices of Timothy J. Storm, Wauconda</i></p> <p>This segment offers a comprehensive overview on the fundamentals of defending petty traffic offenses and the common pitfalls to avoid. The basics of DUI defense are also included.  <i>Jeremy Richey, Attorney at Law, Charleston</i></p>
<b>9:45 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>
Legal Technology Plaza 3	<p><b>Email Bankruptcy: How to Deal with Email Overload</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderators:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i>  <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i></p> <p>Email overload is a modern problem for many professionals today, but especially for the solo or small firm attorney working in an environment with little to no support staff. This segment is designed to increase the lawyer’s understanding of how to cope with a barrage of electronic communications by implementing strategies designed to keep messages out of your inbox and how to effectively handle what comes in. By doing so, the attorney will comply with Professional Conduct Rules 1.3 and 1.4, which require diligent representation and keeping the client reasonably informed. Tips for managing email overload and reducing the stress that comes with too many daily electronic correspondences are provided.  <i>Todd H. Flaming, Schopf &amp; Weiss, LLP, Chicago</i>  <i>Trent Bush, Ward, Murray, Pace &amp; Johnson, P.C., Sterling</i></p>
Effective & Ethical Practice Ambassador Ballroom (lower level)	<p><b>Transitioning from a Large to a Small Firm</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>James F. Dunneback, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</i></p> <p>This segment offers advice and tips on transitioning from a large firm to a small firm or solo practice. The purpose of this segment is to increase the lawyer’s understanding of the advantages and disadvantages between large and small firms and how to make the large firm “model” work for a small practice. Discussion includes client communications, billing practices, work product quality, and overall ethical considerations.  <i>Jessica K. Thomas, Law Office of James F. Dunneback, Orland Park</i></p>

<p>Substantive Law <i>(Capitol Ballroom)</i></p>	<p><b>Family Law for the New Lawyer</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Lisa M. Nyuli, Ariano, Hardy, Nyuli, Johnson, Richmond &amp; Goettel, P.C., South Elgin</i></p> <p>In this segment, the speakers discuss important family law issues such as pleading contempt, presenting evidence, temporary support hearings, seeking sanctions against non-withholding employers, and much more!  <i>Justin B. Ryan, Attorney at Law, West Dundee</i>  <i>Michael Ryan, Attorney at Law, West Dundee</i></p>
<p><b>11:00 a.m. – 12:05 p.m. Breakout Sessions</b></p>	
<p>Legal Technology <i>Plaza 3</i></p>	<p><b>Your Bottom Line: What You Need to Know about IOLTA and Firm Accounting, Time, and Billing</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Janice L. Boback, Anderson &amp; Boback, Chicago</i></p> <p>This segment examines the applicable Rules of Professional Conduct as they apply to IOLTA, safekeeping client funds, and general business accounts. The importance of contemporaneous timekeeping, as well as products that can make this process easier while also increasing efficiency and accuracy in time, billing, and accounting are also discussed. The seminar is designed to increase the lawyer’s understanding of the issues surrounding the handling of clients’ funds, as well as how to use written fee agreements and engagement letters. The speakers discuss Supreme Court Rule 756 (Disclosure of Trust Accounts) and Supreme Court Rule of Professional Conduct 1.15 (Safekeeping Property). How funds generated by IOLTA programs have worked to benefit low-income people with civil legal matters is also examined.  <i>Don M. Mateer, Mateer &amp; Assoc., Rockford</i>  <i>Nerino J. Petro, State Bar of Wisconsin Law of Office Management, Madison, WI</i>  <i>Bryan M. Sims, Sims Law Firm, Ltd., Naperville</i></p>
<p>Effective &amp; Ethical Practice <i>Ambassador Ballroom</i> <i>(lower level)</i></p>	<p><b>Effective Public Speaking for Lawyers</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE, including 1.0 hour approved Professional Responsibility MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Shayne L. Aldridge, Law Office of Shayne L Aldridge, Pleasant Plains</i></p> <p>Being able to effectively and compellingly convey a message to an audience is paramount to the success of a lawyer in and out of the courtroom. In this segment, the speakers offer lawyers advice on becoming a better communicator before judges, juries, attorneys, clients and others.  <i>Sheriff Mark Curran, Esq., Lake County Sheriff’s Office, Waukegan</i></p>
<p>Substantive Law <i>Capitol Ballroom</i></p>	<p><b>Illinois Adoptions and International Adoptions: Understanding the Difference</b>  <b>1.0 hour MCLE credit</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Timothy J. Storm, Law Offices of Timothy J. Storm, Wauconda</i></p> <p>This segment explains the various differences between Illinois and international adoptions. Topics include: how to perfect an Illinois adoption, special concerns for adoptions from a foreign country, the role of Guardian Ad Litem, adopting a foreign-born child located in the U.S., and much more!  <i>Ennedy D. Rivera, Wysocki &amp; Smith, Waukegan</i></p>
<p><b>12:05 p.m. Conference Adjourned</b></p>	