



**The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education Committee
and the Professional Ethics Committee present**

2019 Masters Seminar on Ethics

Friday, June 28, 2019, 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

COURSE CLASSIFICATION: INTERMEDIATE

Course 3192

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Every attorney, regardless of area of practice, encounters ethical issues as part of his or her practice. The ever-changing nature of the law and technology presents new challenges and opportunities for attorneys, but it can also present ethical issues. The 2019 Masters Seminar on Ethics will address these topics in an informative, engaging manner using experienced and dynamic speakers. This seminar will address ethical issues involved with technology, which every attorney needs to know. There will also be a panel addressing the Bar complaint process. Finally, there will be a judicial panel where judges will address ethical issues they are confronted with and address in their courtrooms.

Attorney Ethical Obligations and Competency in Technology - Internal and External Practice Considerations. Technology has emerged as one of the primary tools used to efficiently - and ethically - deliver competent legal services. Competency in technology requires that attorneys have an understanding of client technology related issues, including electronic discovery, intellectual property, as well as existing and emerging technology related compliance requirements under HIPAA, PCI (Payment Card Industry), state data breach laws and even the new European General Data Protection Regulation. With the rise of ransomware attacks that can lock away a firm's (and clients') information, cybersecurity awareness has emerged as another important competency issue. Attorneys in possession of mostly computerized client information are under similar legal compliance obligations, the violation of which may also result in ethical violations invoking rules relating to competency, confidentiality, supervision, and candor. This panel, consisting of attorneys experienced in the field of technology and electronic discovery, join cybersecurity and technology experts to discuss internal and external ethics in practice considerations facing today's attorneys.

Bar Grievance Proceedings: How to Avoid Them and What to Do if a Complaint is Filed Against You. A Bar grievance is something no attorney wants to have to defend against. This panel features an experienced Bar prosecutor and an experienced respondent's counsel. This panel of experts will discuss how the Bar's grievance system works and what to expect if a complaint is filed against you. The panel will also discuss common issues that lead to Bar complaints and how you can try to avoid these problems.

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Judicial Roundtable: Litigation Ethics - Candor, Competency and Fairness. This panel of renowned judges will discuss attorney ethical issues arising from their courtroom experience. The judicial roundtable will focus on the ethical issues the judiciary is confronted with in the courtroom and how the judges handle those ethical concerns. The discussion will include a multitude of topics, such as what conduct rises to the level of an ethical violation versus a professionalism issue, what areas attorneys frequently find themselves in trouble for, and how technology has impacted these issues. The judicial panelists also will discuss conduct that attorneys may not realize rises to the level of an ethical violation, that is often heard, complained of, or seen in the courtroom. Finally, judicial panelists will also address the ethical obligations that arise with regard to court filings.

PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. – 8:10 a.m.	Introductory Remarks
8:10 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	Attorney Ethical Obligations and Competency in Technology - Internal and External Practice Considerations <i>Speakers: John Jorgensen, CEO, Sylint Group; Eric Hibbard CTO, Hitachi Vantara; Michael Aisenberg, MITRE Corporation; Tatiana Melnik; and Steven W. Tepler</i>
9:50 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	Break
10:10 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Bar Grievance Proceedings: How to Avoid Them and What to Do If a Complaint is Filed Against You <i>Speakers: Allison “Ali” Sackett and Andrew Berman</i>
11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	Judicial Roundtable: Litigation Ethics - Candor, Competency and Fairness <i>Speakers: Judge Krista Marx, Circuit Judge and Peter D. Blanc, Retired Circuit Judge</i>
11:50 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Seminar Concluding Remarks

CLE Credit

General: 4.0 hours
Ethics: 4.0 Hours
Technology: 2.0 hours