

November 12 and 13, 2015

Pre-Admission Conference

Supreme Court of Delaware

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Agenda At-A-Glance

Day 1 • November 12, 2015

8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Registration
8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.	Introduction
9:15 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.	Welcome to the AOC (plenary)
9:45 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.	Workshop 1
10:45 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.	Workshop 2
11:45 a.m. - 1:20 p.m.	Pre-Admission Conference Inns of Court I Luncheon (Ethics I)
1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.	Workshop 3
2:30 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.	Workshop 4
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4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.	Ethics II (plenary)

Day 2 • November 13, 2015

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8:45 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.	Ethics III (plenary)
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10:45 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.	Workshop 7
11:45 a.m. - 1:20 p.m.	Pre-Admission Conference Inns of Court II Luncheon
1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.	Workshop 8
2:30 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.	Workshop 9
3:30 p.m. - 4:40 p.m.	Giving Back (plenary)
4:40 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Closing

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Conference Materials will be available electronically on November 5, 2015 at <http://media.dsba.org/preadmissionmedia.html>

No laptops will be allowed at the conference!
Cell phones and tablets will be permitted.

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The Honorable Collins J. Seitz, Jr.
Justice, Supreme Court of Delaware

Richard A. Forsten, Esquire, Saul Ewing LLP
President, Delaware State Bar Association

9:15 a.m. - 9:35 a.m. • (plenary)

Welcome to the Administrative Office of the Courts
What We Can Do for You

Patricia Walther Griffin, Esquire
State Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Courts

9:45 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.

"Meeting the Expectations of the Court" Workshop 1

Supreme Court of Delaware

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Justice, Supreme Court of Delaware

Richard A. Forsten, Esquire, Saul Ewing LLP
William E. Manning, Esquire, Saul Ewing LLP

Court of Chancery

The Honorable John W. Noble, Vice Chancellor, Court of Chancery

Elizabeth M. McGeever, Esquire, Prickett Jones & Elliott, P.A.
Peter J. Walsh, Jr., Esquire, Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP

U.S. District Court

The Honorable Leonard P. Stark, Judge, U.S. District Court

Anne Shea Gaza, Esquire, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP
Shannon T. Hanson, Esquire, U.S. Attorney's Office

Superior Court

The Honorable Andrea L. Rocanelli

Judge, Superior Court of Delaware

Joseph R. Slights, III, Esquire, Morris James LLP
Josette D. Manning, Esquire, Department of Justice

10:45 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.

"Meeting the Expectations of the Court" Workshop 2

Supreme Court of Delaware (repeated)

The Honorable Collins J. Seitz, Jr.

Justice, Supreme Court of Delaware

Richard A. Forsten, Esquire, Saul Ewing LLP
William E. Manning, Esquire, Saul Ewing LLP

Court of Chancery (repeated)

The Honorable John W. Noble, Vice Chancellor, Court of Chancery

Elizabeth M. McGeever, Esquire, Prickett Jones & Elliott, P.A.
Peter J. Walsh, Jr., Esquire, Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP

U.S. District Court (repeated)

The Honorable Leonard P. Stark, Judge, U.S. District Court

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Pre-Admission Conference Inns of Court I Luncheon (Ethics I)

The Inns of Court Movement in Delaware

The Honorable Randy J. Holland

Justice, Supreme Court of Delaware

1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

"Meeting the Expectations of the Court" Workshop 3

U.S. Bankruptcy Court

The Honorable Brendan Linehan Shannon

Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Robert S. Brady, Esquire, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor LLP
John Henry Knight, Esquire, Richards, Layton & Finger, P. A.

Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable Alex J. Smalls

Chief Judge, Court of Common Pleas

Thomas A. Foley, Esquire, Thomas A. Foley, Attorney at Law
Douglas A. Shachtman, Esquire, The Shachtman Law Firm

Family Court

The Honorable Mardi F. Pyott

Judge, Family Court of the State of Delaware

Glynis Gibson, Esquire, Glynis Gibson, P.A.
Sean M. Lynn, Esquire, Baird Mandalas Brockstedt, LLC

Justice of the Peace Court

The Honorable Kathy Sturgis Gravell

Magistrate Judge, Justice of the Peace Court

Donald L. Gouge, Jr., Esquire, Donald L. Gouge, Jr. LLC

2:30 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.

"Meeting the Expectations of the Court" Workshop 4

U.S. Bankruptcy Court (repeated)

The Honorable Brendan Linehan Shannon

Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Robert S. Brady, Esquire, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor LLP
John Henry Knight, Esquire, Richards, Layton & Finger, P. A.

Court of Common Pleas (repeated)

The Honorable Alex J. Smalls

Chief Judge, Court of Common Pleas

Thomas A. Foley, Esquire, Thomas A. Foley, Attorney at Law
Douglas A. Shachtman, Esquire, The Shachtman Law Firm

Family Court (repeated)

The Honorable Mardi F. Pyott

Judge, Family Court of the State of Delaware

Glynis Gibson, Esquire, Glynis Gibson, P.A.
Sean M. Lynn, Esquire, Baird Mandalas Brockstedt, LLC

Justice of the Peace Court (repeated)

The Honorable Kathy Sturgis Gravell

Magistrate Judge, Justice of the Peace Court

Donald L. Gouge, Jr., Esquire, Donald L. Gouge, Jr. LLC

3:30 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.

"Meeting the Expectations of the Client" Workshop 5

Corporate Client

Don C. Brown, Esquire, E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company

Personal Injury Client

Joseph J. Rhoades, Esquire, Law Office of Joseph J. Rhoades
Danielle K. Yearick, Esquire, Tybout, Redfearn & Pell

Family Law Client

Theresa McQuaid Hayes, Esquire

Law Office of Edward C. Gill & Associates
Gretchen S. Knight, Esquire, Morris James LLP

Real Estate Client

Barbara A. Brodoway, Esquire, Ward & Taylor LLC
Crystal L. Carey, Esquire, Schmittinger & Rodriguez, P.A.

Wills and Estate Client

P. Kristen Bennett, Esquire, Gawthrop Greenwood PC
Daniel F. Hayward, Esquire, Gordon Fournaris & Mammarella, P.A.

Transactional Law Mid-sized Client

Nicholas J. Caggiano, Jr., Esquire, Morris James LLP
Johnathan G. Strauss, Esquire, Morris James LLP

4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. • Ethics II (plenary)

"Ethics Law and Technology"

Kevin F. Brady, Esquire, Redgrave LLP

Richard K. Herrmann, Morris James LLP
Brian S. Legum, Esquire, Kimmel, Carter, Roman, Peltz & O'Neill, P.A.

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“Effective Client Relationships”

Charles Slanina, Esquire, Finger & Slanina, LLC
Carol P. Waldhauser, Executive Director
Delaware Lawyers Assistance Program

9:45 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.

“Substantive Best Practices” Workshop 6

Best Practices in Bankruptcy Law

The Honorable Kevin Gross, Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court
Laura Davis Jones, Esquire, Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP
Michael B. Joseph, Esquire, Ferry Joseph & Pearce, P.A.

Best Practices in Family Law

The Honorable Michael K. Newell

Judge, Family Court of the State of Delaware
Jill Spevack Di Sciuolo, Esquire, Morris James LLP
Gretchen S. Knight, Esquire, Morris James LLP

Best Practices in Personal Injury Law

Beth H. Christman, Esquire,
Casarino Christman Shalk Ransom & Doss, P.A.
Francis J. Jones, Jr., Esquire, Morris James LLP
Jeffrey Alexander Young, Esquire, Young & McNelis

10:45 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.

“Substantive Best Practices” Workshop 7

Best Practices in Criminal Law

The Honorable Mary M. Johnston, Judge, Superior Court of Delaware
The Honorable Paul R. Wallace, Judge, Superior Court of Delaware
Todd Evans Conner, Esquire, Office of the Public Defender
Joseph S. Grubb, Esquire, Department of Justice

Best Practices in Administrative Law

Richard D. Kirk, Esquire, Bayard, P.A.
Lawrence W. Lewis, Esquire, Senior Counsel, Department of Justice

Best Practices in Appellate Law

The Honorable Karen L. Valihura
Justice, Supreme Court of Delaware

Stephen E. Jenkins, Esquire, Ashby & Geddes
Edward P. Welch, Esquire, Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP

Best Practices in Law Office Management

Robert J. Katzenstein, Esquire, Smith, Katzenstein & Jenkins LLP
Geoff Langdon, CPA, Managing Director, Cover & Rossiter
Steven C. Taylor, USI Insurance Services of Delaware, Inc.
Jeffrey M. Weiner, Esquire, Law Offices of Jeffrey M. Weiner PA
Lawrence I. Zutz, Esquire, USI Insurance Services of Delaware, Inc.

11:45 a.m. - 1:20 p.m.

Pre-Admission Conference Inns of Court II Luncheon

Introduction to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel

Jennifer-Kate Aaronson, Esquire, Office of Disciplinary Counsel

1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

“Substantive Best Practices” Workshop 8

Best Practices in Trial Practice — Depositions

The Honorable Vivian L. Medinilla
Judge, Superior Court of Delaware

Danielle S. Blount, Esquire
Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice
William D. Johnston, Esquire, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP
Monté Terrell Squire, Esquire, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor LLP
Gregory Brian Williams, Esquire, Fox Rothschild LLP

Best Practice in Jury Trials

The Honorable Sherry R. Fallon
Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court

Michael Biek, Ph.D., Trial Consultant, Decision Quest
Best Practices in Consumer Practice — Real Estate
Valerie M. Carr, Esquire, The Law Offices of Bayard Marin
Andrew P. Taylor, Esquire, Cooch and Taylor P.A.
William Schab, Esquire, Schab & Barnett, P.A.

2:30 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.

“Substantive Best Practices” Workshop 9

Best Practices in Mediation/Arbitration

The Honorable Sherry R. Fallon
Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court

Keith Edward Donovan, Esquire, Morris James LLP
Colin M. Shalk, Esquire, Casarino Christman Shalk Ransom & Doss, P.A.

Best Practices in Corporate Law

Kathaleen St. Jude McCormick, Esquire,
Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor LLP
Thomas E. Hanson, Jr., Esquire, Morris James LLP
William D. Johnston, Esquire, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP
Robert J. Kriner, Jr., Esquire, Chimicles & Tikellis LLP

Best Practices in Electronic Discovery

Richard K. Herrmann, Esquire, Morris James LLP
Ryan P. Newell, Esquire, Connolly Gallagher LLP

3:30 p.m. - 4:40 p.m. • Giving Back (plenary)

“Opportunities for Pro Bono Service”

Tania Marie Culley, Esquire, Office of the Child Advocate
Daniel G. Atkins, Esquire, Community Legal Aid Society, Inc.
Derek C. Abbott, Esquire, Morris Nichols Arshnt & Tunnell LLP
Kathleen Furey McDonough, Esquire, Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP
Janine Howard-O’Rangers, Executive Director
Delaware Volunteer Legal Services, Inc.
Vice President of the Delaware Bar Foundation Board of Directors
Susan Simmons, Director of Development and
Access to Justice Coordination, Delaware State Bar Association
Peter J. Walsh, Jr., Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP

4:40 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Closing

The Honorable Karen L. Valihura
Justice, Supreme Court of Delaware

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