

CLE for Agency Counsel Training Modules Presently Available (7/30/2009)

Appellate Advocacy Seminar (Sept. 2007)

This module is intended to strengthen brief-writing and oral-argument proficiencies. Topics covered include: drafting all aspects of the appellate brief, effective oral argument, appellate procedural rules, and standards of review. Recorded live at the Appellate Advocacy Seminar in September 2007 at the National Advocacy Center. Total running time- approximately 336 minutes. (6.5 hours of CLE in 50 minute states, 5.5 hours of CLE in 60 minute states. 0 ethics.*)

A Legal Guide to Electronic Discovery Under the New Federal Rules (April 2008)

This program includes an overview of the recent amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that address various aspects of e-discovery. It also describes frequently-encountered electronic discovery problems, including identification of electronic data, preservation of information, protection of privileged information, assessing an opponent's e-discovery compliance, potential sanctions, the use of IT experts, and implications for expert witnesses. This program was produced in April 2008 for air on the Justice Television Network. Total running time- approximately 95 minutes. (1.5 hours of CLE in 50 minute states and 1.5 CLE hours in 60 minute states).

Federal Tort Claims Act Seminar (Nov. 2007)

The Federal Tort Claims Act Seminar is designed for attorneys who defend civil tort suits against the United States and its various agencies. Recorded live at the Federal Tort Claims Act Seminar held in November 2007 at the National Advocacy Center. Total running time- approximately 305 minutes. (6 hours of CLE in 50 minute states, 5 hours of CLE in 60 minute states. 0 ethics*)

Evidence for Civil Litigators (2009)

Recorded in February 2009*. The Evidence for Civil Litigators seminar provides an overview of the fundamental principles of evidence for federal civil trial attorneys of varying skill levels. Topics include evidentiary issues for civil practitioners, including relevance, hearsay, character evidence, impeachment, privileges and lay/expert opinion testimony. Total running time- approximately 630 minutes (12.5 hours of CLE in 50 minute states, and 10.5 hours of CLE in 60 minute states, 0 ethics hours)

FOIA: An Introduction to the Freedom of Information Act (May 2008)

This basic training program is designed for attorneys, paralegals, and information officers with limited previous experience under the FOIA who are now, or soon will be, working extensively with the Act. Experts from the DOJ/OIP discuss procedural issues as well as exemptions, emphasizing the criteria for making information-disclosure determinations. This program was recorded live at the National Advocacy Center in May 2008. Total running time- approximately 160 minutes. (3 hours of CLE in 50 minute states, 2.5 hours of CLE in 60 minute states. 0 ethics*)

Legal Ethics for Agency Counsel (October 2008)

Recorded in July 2008*. Stacy Ludwig and Gordon Young of the Department of Justice Professional Responsibility Advisory Office address common ethical issues faced by federal agency counsel. In part one of this program, Ms. Ludwig and Mr. Young review a number of the American Bar Association's Model Rules of Professional Conduct that apply to recurring legal ethics issues in government practice. In part two, they use a hypothetical case to discuss the applicability of the rules covered in part one. Viewing this module will satisfy the professional responsibility requirement of the annual, mandatory DOJ Professionalism Training Policy. Total running time- approximately 120 minutes (2.5 hours of CLE credit, including 2.5 hours of ethics credit, in 50 minute states, 2 hours of CLE credit, including 2 hours of ethics credit, in 60 minute states).**

* When all state CLE requirements are met. Not eligible for accreditation more than two years after recording date