

WORKSHOP

Family Law Trial Advocacy Workshop 2017

Five days—one trial—countless trial skills learned

This intensely challenging, five-day course gets you “on your feet” under the rigorous scrutiny of judges and leading practitioners. Join the scores of divorce lawyers who have polished their courtroom effectiveness in this workshop’s supportive environment, learning trial advocacy from motion practice—to expert witness examination—to final argument. You won’t find another training experience quite like this one. In each class session, you perform as trial counsel in phases of an ongoing trial. Your week begins with admitting exhibits and demonstrative evidence. By Day 4, you’re examining actual real estate and psychological experts. Your recorded performances are fully critiqued, both in group settings and one-on-one, with faculty members.

Throughout the week, you observe expert domestic relations practitioners demonstrate effective trial techniques. Between “courtroom” performances the faculty lectures on family law trial topics. On the final day of this intensive workshop, you’re the leading counsel in a full-blown divorce trial. All the skills you learned during the week are on display before a Probate and Family Court judge, who concludes the session with a frank, no-holds-barred critique of your trial performance and newly-acquired advocacy skills.

Such a rite of passage for excellence in family law, the Greater Boston Family Law American Inn of Court has chosen this program to partner with—offering a full scholarship to one worthy applicant. Open to lawyers only, this program gives you a newfound confidence in yourself.

Workshop Leaders

Hon. Randy J. Kaplan, *Nantucket Probate and Family Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*,
Cochair

Hon. James V. Menno, *Norfolk Probate and Family Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts*,
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View workshop agenda and complete faculty roster at www.mcle.org.

Materials

In addition to a notebook of workshop materials, including case files and motions, as well as a handout of exercises and directions received approximately one week prior to the workshop so you have time to prepare, the materials for this program include MCLE’s *Massachusetts Courtroom Advocacy*, a practical reference prepared by experts in the field that provides comprehensive coverage of the topic as well as helpful exhibits, checklists and forms.

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Dates & Locations

BOSTON

Monday, June 5, 2017

8:30 am–5:15 pm

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

9:00 am–5:15 pm

Wednesday, June 7, 2017

9:00 am–5:00 pm

Thursday, June 8, 2017

9:00 am–5:00 pm

Friday, June 9, 2017

9:00 am–5:00 pm

MCLE Conference Center,
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