

## SEMINAR

# Federal Court Civil Practice 2021

### *The ins-and-outs of litigating in federal court*

Learn the basics of taking a case from its inception to trial in federal court. Understand the considerations at play in deciding to bring an action in federal court, challenges faced at the outset of litigation—including those related to preliminary injunctions and temporary restraining orders, the handling of discovery, dispositive motions, alternative dispute resolution and trial.

This program gives you the opportunity to learn from thoughtful seasoned litigators with a broad range of experience in federal court, as well as from Judges who oversee these cases.

## Agenda

- How (and Why) Did I End Up Here?
- Handling Preliminary Injunctions and Temporary Restraining Orders
- Discovery Practice: Know the Rules and Processes
- Dispositive Motions
- How Cases Resolve: ADR and Trials
- Practice Developments: Litigation in the Time of COVID-19 and What's on the Horizon
- "Ask the Experts" Q&A Session

## Faculty

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Hon. Leo T. Sorokin, *U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts, Boston*  
Hon. Indira Talwani, *U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts, Boston*

## Dates & Location

### LIVE WEBCAST

Wednesday, November 10, 2021  
1:00 pm–5:00 pm

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### REBROADCAST

Monday, November 29, 2021  
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Tuesday, December 7, 2021  
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