Introducing & Excluding Evidence at Trial

The mechanics of offering or opposing the introduction of evidence

Every attorney who has tried a case has confronted the question of how a certain, crucial piece of evidence can either be admitted or kept out from the trial of a case. Perhaps it is a document originally written in Japanese with a translation, a photograph of an accident scene taken by a deceased photographer, a newspaper article, a police report, or the results of a blood test. Similarly, attorneys are frequently faced with difficult witnesses that either require a great deal of preparation to put on the stand, or to elicit certain points during cross-examination.

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Agenda

- Pre-Trial Considerations, Motions in Limine, and How to Get to the Courthouse in One Piece
- Direct Examination of Lay Witnesses and Expert Witnesses
- Cross-Examination of Lay Witnesses and Expert Witnesses
- Document Organization and Assembly of Records
- Real and Demonstrative Evidence
- Use of Experts at Trial
- Electronic Discovery and Unusual Legal Issues
- "Ask the Experts" Q&A Session

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Monday, June 13, 2022 1:00 pm–5:00 pm *Program Number: 2220239WBC*

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