

2009 Annual Meeting & Conference

Friday–Saturday, September 11-12, 2009

The Amway Grand Plaza Hotel
187 Monroe Avenue NW (corner of Monroe & Pearl Streets), Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

Join your colleagues for an outstanding program of professional development and networking.

Pre-conference Roundtable: *Technology in Mediation*

Just ahead of registration, a group of students and mediators will discuss the use of technology in mediation. Join us if you can.

Advanced Mediation Training

In cases regarding insured claims, the negotiations are frequently all about money and between parties who often will never have an on-going relationship. In Friday's segment we will learn about the two negotiations which occur in every mediation involving money (in business, divorce, tort or other disputes). Next, we will learn to develop strategies to effectively facilitate the flow of information, facilitate case or risk analysis, and facilitate movement.

In Saturday's segment we will observe Mr. Little demonstrating his techniques and have the opportunity to practice them. Whether you serve as an advocate or a neutral, this interactive program will provide information and practical skills you can utilize immediately.

About Your Trainer: J. Anderson Little

After 17 years as a trial lawyer in commercial, personal injury, and domestic cases, Andy's practice is now devoted exclusively to conducting mediated settlement conferences (over 4,000) and teaching others mediation skills and techniques. Andy chaired the committees in creating mediation programs in North Carolina, served as the 1st Chair of the North Carolina Bar's Dispute Resolution Committee and was appointed by the Chief Justice to two terms on North Carolina's Dispute Resolution Commission.

About The Book: *Making Money Talk: How To Mediate Insured Claims & Monetary Disputes*, (ABA Publishing 2007)

This book gives practical guidance on effectively mediating insured claims and other money disputes where position-based bargaining is inevitable. Rather than fight the natural inclinations of the client and the clients' lawyers, Andy Little proposes that mediators use facilitative ADR tools in a new way. Mr. Little's advice honors the self-determination of the parties while offering mediators tools to assist parties on bridging the money gap.

Deadlines

Payment & registration for: conference and Friday dinner must be received by 3 p.m., **Friday, August 28**. Refunds will only be provided for cancellations received **in writing** at SBM by 3 p.m., Friday, September 4.

Hotel Registration deadline: August 12, 2009; Rates per night: Sgl/ Dbl=\$124-Tpl=\$134-Quad=\$144 (plus 14% taxes)

Hotel Reservations: Call (800) 253-3590 or on the web: reservations@amwaygrand.com and reference: "State Bar of Michigan"

Meeting and Activity Schedule

Friday Afternoon, September 11, 2009

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| 1:00-1:45 | Pre-conference Roundtable: <i>Technology in Mediation</i> (Imperial Ballroom) |
| 1:30-2:00 | Registration (Imperial Ballroom) |
| 2:00-5:15 | Advanced Mediation Training - Part I - Andy Little - <i>The Language of Numbers: Mediating and Negotiating Claims for Money</i> |
| 5:15-6:00 | Hotel Check-in |
| 6:00-7:00 | Networking and Cocktail Hour |
| 7:00-8:00 | Dinner (Gerald R. Ford Ballroom) |
| 8:00-9:15 | Awards and Recognition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Award Presentations • George Bashara Award • Nanci S. Klein Award • Distinguished Service Award • Stories from the frontlines of Peacemaking-by our Distinguished Service Award Recipient |

Saturday Morning & Afternoon, September 12, 2009

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| 8:00-8:30 | Continental Breakfast (Imperial) |
| 8:30-9:00 | Annual Section Meeting (Imperial) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Report & Proposed Bylaw Amendments • Election of Officers and Section Council |
| 9:00–12:30 | Advanced Mediation Training - Part II - Andy Little - <i>The Language of Numbers</i> |
| 12:30 | Annual conference ends |
| 1:30 | Optional events (on your own or with colleagues): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture Crawl led by Bob Wright (GR Art Museum, lunch at San Chez Bistro, Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum, Calder Sculpture, etc.) • Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park tour led by Dale Iverson (lunch at café on site) • Golf at a nearby course with Doug Vanden Berge |
| TBD | Notre Dame @ U of M – GP Sports Bar 20' screen |
| 6:30-?? | Wine-down & dessert with Anne Bachle Fifer at her lovely home in the Cheshire Neighborhood |

Registration Fees

- Conference Only: \$90 (full-time students \$45; sitting judges no-charge)
- Friday Dinner: \$70/ea (not included in conference fee; Sorry, no free meals for judges!)
- Saturday events: all are pay as you go



ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION SECTION

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Annual Meeting and Conference Fees

Meeting and Conference Registration number of attendees ___ x \$90 = _____

Registration fee for sitting judges is waived and for graduate students is reduced to \$45.
(Judges and graduate students must register by mail or fax only and must pay if attending Friday night dinner.)

Law/graduate students: number of attendees ___ x \$45 = _____

Sitting judge: ___ x FREE = _____ 0

Please advise of any special needs: _____

Dinner Friday, September 11 (ALL who attend must pay) number for dinner (including guests) ___ x \$70 = _____

Entrée Selection: Steak Diane with Bourbon, Peppercorn, Merlot and Mushroom Cream Sauce # _____

Macadamia Nut Crusted Halibut with Citrus Beurre Blanc # _____

Vegan Entrée Chef's Selection # _____

Please advise of any food sensitivities/allergies: _____

TOTAL = _____

Optional Saturday Postlude Events (please indicate your interest so we may plan accordingly)

- Sit (watch Notre Dame @ Michigan on big screen TV - GP Sports Bar) (pay as you go) # _____
Crawl (museum tour; admission charged at museums) (pay as you go)..... # _____
Walk (Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park) (pay admission fee @ Gardens)..... # _____
Scramble (golf at local course) (pay at the course)..... # _____
Stumble wine & dessert with Anne Bachle Fifer (free dessert; BYO wine)..... # _____

Room Reservations

A limited block of rooms is being held for conference attendees until August 12, 2009. The reduced room rate is \$124 per night for Sgl or Db; \$134/ for Trpl; and \$144/ for Quad (add 14% for sales, use and occupancy tax). Rooms are limited so reserve early. You must make reservations directly with the hotel at (800) 253-3590.

Additional Information

For more information, contact Bob Wright at WrightR@MillerCanfield.com or (616) 776-6334.

Registration Methods

Register online at http://e.michbar.org OR Mail your check and completed registration form to: State Bar of Michigan, Attn: Seminar Registration, Michael Franck Building, 306 Townsend Street, Lansing, MI 48933 OR Fax (ONLY if paying by credit card) the completed form and credit card information to: Attn: Seminar Registration at (517) 346-6365.

Registration and Payment must be received at the SBM on or before 3 p.m. on Friday, August 28, 2009. Refunds will be provided only for cancellations received in writing at the SBM by 3 p.m. on Friday, September 4.

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Name: _____
Name of Guest: _____
Your Firm/Organization: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (_____) _____

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