

Tips & Tools for a Successful Practice

FACULTY	AGENDA	November 3, 2015	
Jeffrey Barker, a third year Western Michigan University Cooley Law School student, serves as law student research assistant for the State Bar 21 st Century	8:30–8:55 a.m.	CHECK-IN	
	8:55–9:00 a.m.	WELCOME	
Practice Task Force.		Danon Goodrum-Garland	
Michael Eberth, a shareholder of Nichols & Eberth P.C., primarily practices in the area of domestic relations and litigates numerous complex divorce cases involving child custody disputes, abuse allegations, business valuations, and fraudulent property transfers.	9:00–10:00 a.m.	Attorney/Client Relationships: How to Establish and Maintain Mutually Beneficial Relationships <i>Mike Eberth</i>	
	10:00–10:45 a.m.	Avoiding Ethical Pitfalls When Managing Trust Accounts Nkrumah Johnson-Wynn Danon Goodrum-Garland	
Danon Goodrum-Garland is the director of professional standards for the State Bar of Michigan.	10:45–11:00 a.m.	BREAK	
	11:00–11:45 a.m.	Ethics Helpline: Common Questions Nkrumah Johnson-Wynn	
Ed Hood, a member of Clark Hill PLC,		Danon Goodrum-Garland	
is an experienced trial and appellate advocate in disputes involving construction and commercial transactions and, as General Counsel, counsels firm attorneys on professional responsibility issues. Nkrumah Johnson-Wynn is the assistant general counsel for the State Bar of Michigan.	11:45–12:15 p.m.	LUNCH	
	12:15–12:45 p.m.	LJAP: Help When Needed Molly Ranns	
	12:45–1:45 p.m.	Conflicts of Interests: The Basics Ed Hood	
	1:45–2:45 p.m.	Fee Agreements: Effective Drafting and Avoiding Disputes Alecia Ruswinckel	
Elizabeth Jolliffe, former commercial litigator with a large Detroit firm, is a career management and business development coach for lawyers.	2:45–3:00 p.m.	BREAK	
	3:00–3:45 p.m.	Ten Most Common Complaints from Clients Stephen Vella	
Molly Ranns is a case monitor for the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program.	3:45–4:15 p.m.	Innovative Techniques and Technology for Effective Law Office Management Alecia Ruswinckel	
Alecia Ruswinckel is the professional standards assistant counsel for the State Bar of Michigan.		Jeffrey Barker	
	4:15–4:45 p.m.	Breaking Through Barriers to Greater Success <i>Elizabeth Jolliffe</i>	
Stephen Vella is a senior associate counsel with the Attorney Grievance Commission.	4:45–4:50 p.m.	CLOSING REMARKS Nkrumah Johnson-Wynn	

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Seminar Date: November 3, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4:50 p.m.

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