2017 Legal Malpractice Update

Presented in cooperation with the NJSBA Senior Lawyers Special Committee

Every year, an increasing number of New Jersey attorneys find themselves facing ethical and malpractice issues - often without realizing they were inadvertently in violation. Don’t become another statistic - learn everything you need to know to effectively avoid and protect against legal malpractice in 2017.

As litigation against lawyers and their misfeasance continues to occur, the body of law pertaining to this area continues to develop. At this year’s program, our panel will discuss the statute of limitations for legal malpractice claims, ethical issues when an attorney changes firms, lost opportunity cases, tips for taking the deposition of an attorney as a witness, and we will culminate the program with a legal malpractice court room demonstration. What you learn will help you to protect both yourself and others from potentially damaging malpractice claims.

Program Agenda:
9:00 Welcome - Mr. Piekarsky
9:05 Evolving concerns regarding statute of limitations and legal malpractice - John B. Mullahy, Esq.
9:35 Ethical Issues when an attorney changes firms and potential conflicts in joint/concurrent representation - Elizabeth Weiler, Esq.
10:10 Deposition of the attorney as the witness - Benjamin Folkman, Esq.
10:45 Break
10:55 Lost Opportunity Cases: cases in which a client claims that but for the lawyer’s malpractice, the case would have settled or achieved a better agreement (whether in a transaction or a settlement), and how courts address evidence of what would have occurred had the opportunity not been lost - Willard C. Shih, Esq.
11:30 Court scene demonstration – An In Limine scene and ruling - Stephen M. Orlofsky, Esq.; John (Jack) L. Slimm, Esq.; Scott B. Piekarsky, Esq.
12:40 Wrap up/Q&A
12:45 Adjourn

NJ CLE INFORMATION: This program has been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for 4.2 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 4.2 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

REGISTRATION DETAILS
Seminar tuition includes breakfast and seminar materials. Visit NJICLE.com for complete directions to all locations.

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NJ CLE: This program has been approved for 4.2 credits (50 minute hour), including 4.2 ethics/professionalism credits
PA CLE: 3.5 ethics credits pending ($16 fee – separate check payable to NJICLE must be submitted at the end of the program)
NY CLE [Transitional & Non-transitional]: 4.0 ethics credits

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Full Time Judges Free JUD
DOOR REGISTRATIONS $200

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