

**ORANGE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2015 - MAJOR SEMINAR**  
**12:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.**

**AT THE OCBA CENTER**  
**880 NORTH ORANGE AVENUE**  
**ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32801**

**ADVANCED LEGAL DRAFTING: HOW TO GET THE “WRITE” RESULT  
AND BEST POSITION YOUR CLIENT TO BE THE APPELLEE**

**JOINTLY PRESENTED BY**  
**THE APPELLATE PRACTICE AND PROFESSIONALISM COMMITTEES**

At this advanced seminar, you will learn effective legal drafting techniques to present your best case, from initial pleadings through final judgment and every significant step along the way. Topics will include persuasive writing tips for drafting pleadings, dispositive and evidentiary motions, mediation summaries, orders, and judgments. You will acquire the skills necessary to position your client favorably, help the court reach the “write” decision, and ensure it is affirmed on appeal. An ethics segment will address how to be a zealous but professional advocate in written filings. And a box lunch will be provided during an informal reception to kick off this major seminar.

**Learn practical advice from legal professionals who critically analyze trial lawyers’ written submissions on a daily basis, including Judges James Edwards, Alice Blackwell, Heather Pinder Rodriguez, and Margaret Schreiber, and Staff Attorneys from the Ninth Circuit and U.S. Middle District of Florida.**

**PRESENTATIONS**

*Advanced Writing: Do’s, Don’ts, and Maybe’s (or is it: Dos, Don’ts, and Maybes?)*

*Pleadings: Striking the “Write” Balance in Complaints, Answers, Affirmative Defenses, and Replies*

*Strategic Motion Drafting: Take Your Audience Where You Want Them to Go*

*Preparing for Mediation: Drafting a Mediation Statement with the Mediator and Opposing Party in Mind*

*Orders & Judgments: Making Them Complete, Clear, and Ready to Withstand the Rigors of Appeal*

*Ethical Considerations in Drafting Pleadings and Motions: How to Navigate the Grey Areas*

**REGISTRATION FEE, including lunch: \$35 OCBA members, \$50 Non-members**

CLE Credits: 5.0 General, 1.0 Ethics

Certification Credits: Appellate Practice: 5.0, Civil Trial: 5.0

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