

FINANCIAL POISE WEBINAR ONE SHEET NEWBIE LITIGATION SCHOOL, PART 1 2016

SERIES OVERVIEW

This series is aimed at attorneys who are just starting to get involved in civil litigation, or who could use a refresher on some litigation fundamentals. The purpose is to introduce different components of litigation in the order they generally occur, beginning with the basic rules of civil procedure and continuing through discovery, dispositive motions, and working with experts. The series is best viewed as a whole, building from one session to the next, and then segueing into a second series in early 2017 covering the next phase of litigation (rules of evidence, trial, appeal, and post-judgment enforcement/collection).

EPISODE SUMMARIES

EPISODE #1

Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Refresher

September 28, 2016, 2pm CST

What procedures govern federal civil litigation? This session will address the basics. We will cover venue and jurisdiction, pleading requirements, affirmative defenses and counterclaims, discovery, dispositive motions, pre-trial and trial practice.

EPISODE #2

Discovery Practice

October 19, 2016, 11am CST

How do I get the information that I need to prove my case? This session will dive into discovery methods and procedures. We will explore the timing and procedures for mandatory initial disclosures, the use of interrogatories, document requests and requests to admit. We'll also discuss the importance and potential cost of electronic discovery, as well as how to limit the overly-broad discovery requests you are sure to get from opposing counsel.

EPISODE #3

Dispositive Motions

November 16, 2016, 11am CST

Dispositive motions can resolve your lawsuit long before trial. This panel will explain the purposes and procedures for motions to dismiss, motions for judgment on the pleadings and summary judgment motions.

EPISODE #4

Working With Experts

December 7, 2016, 11am CST

Lawyers often cannot win a case without help from experts. But when do they need to get involved? And who should you choose? What disclosures do you need to make to the court and opposing counsel? How do you get your expert qualified to testify at trial? We will discuss these issues and more, to help you get the most out of your experts.