



Everyday Ethics in Your Practice

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Moot Court Room, University of Memphis – Memphis, TN

Description - In the everyday practice of law, a lawyer's ethical obligations in any particular situation can get caught up in the rush of circumstances. Too often, these circumstances can lead to a lawyer reacting to events without fully thinking through how the Rules of Professional Conduct may apply to the lawyer's actions. This seminar will review the legal profession's ethical obligations as expressed in the Rules and consider how they guide a lawyer's response to common occurrences faced by them daily.

Topics

- The New Client – Risks to the lawyer when considering whether to take that new client and how to avoid them.
- Is it Privilege and Confidentiality, or Confidentiality and Privilege – What you can talk about and when.
- A Trust Account You Can Trust - There's more to handling clients' money than Rule 1.15.
- The Old Client – Risks to the lawyer in ending the representation and how to avoid them.
- All this AND...THE QUIZ - Ten Questions and Ten Answers Addressing Recent Trends in Legal Ethics and Lawyers' Malpractice (The Winner will receive a prize!)

COURSE SCHEDULE

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| 8:30 – 9:00 | Registration |
| 9:00 – 10:00 | <u>The Quiz</u> – Exploring recent developments and emerging trends and highlighting and exploring current legal, ethical and malpractice issues. The attendee with the most correct answers wins a prize! |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | Break |
| 10:15 - 11:15 | <u>The New Client</u> – Risks to the lawyer when considering whether to take that new client and how to avoid them. <u>Is it Privilege and Confidentiality, or Confidentiality and Privilege</u> – What you can talk about and when. |
| 11:15-12:15 | <u>A Trust Account You Can Trust</u> - There's more to handling clients' money than Rule 1.15. <u>The Old Client</u> – Risks to the lawyer in ending the representation and how to avoid them. |