

Immigration Law Seminar 2013 April 18, 2013 Tennessee Bar Center—Nashville, Tennessee

Program Description:

This seminar is for immigration defense attorneys, criminal defense attorneys, and for plaintiff trial attorneys who have an interest in analyzing, preparing and prosecuting civil actions for damages and civil rights violations on behalf of immigrant clients.

The first part of the program will review strategies which could be especially valuable in immigration court cases. Presenters will be Elliott Ozment, Tricia Herzfeld, Elaine Witty, and Andrew Free.

The second part of the program will give attorneys a better understanding of how to represent immigrants in criminal matters so that collateral consequences in immigration court can be minimized. The final hour will give attorneys a better understanding of their ethical obligations to their immigrant clients under Padilla v. Kentucky. These ethics hours will be presented by Elliott Ozment and Tricia Herzfeld.

Program Producers: Elaine Witty, *Witty Law Group, PLLC*Elliott Ozment, *Ozment Law*

Agenda

8:00 – 8:30am **Registration**

8:30 – 11:45am Civil Litigation Issues

- a. Importance of FOIA Requests What to Do and What Not to Do
- b. Racial Profiling as it Affects the Immigrant Community (Equal Protection Issues)
- c. Red Flags in Your Immigrant Representation (48-hour holds, local enforcement of immigration laws & immigration status, implications flowing from United States v. Arizona, handling damaging client admissions, immigration issues in state agencies and local govt [e.g., schools])

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11:45-1:00 Lunch & Registration for 2nd Session

1:00-4:15pm Criminal Representation Issues

- a. Creative Plea Bargaining for Immigrants
- b. Red Flag Criminal Issues (e.g., domestic violence, DUI, even No D/L charges for persons in TPS status)
- c. Bad Diversions and Expungements
- d. Suspended Sentences and Aggravated Felonies

Ethical Considerations Flowing from Padilla

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