

Disability Law Forum 2014 TBA Bar Center – Nashville, TN April 11, 2014

**Program Description**: The TBA Disability Law Section's CLE will present disability practitioners best practice guidance and insights from **Administrative Law Judge William Taylor** with the Social Security Administration about the disability hearing process. **Eric Buchanan**, of Eric Buchanan & Associates and TBA Disability Law Section Executive Council Member, will also provide practitioners an understanding of federal court practice issues seen on a regular basis and how to effectively present disability law cases in federal court, including important information about how to get paid for federal court work.

**Ethel Zelenske**, Director of Government Affairs, National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives (NOSSCR), will provide an update on current issues and changes in Social Security Law. Attorney and Disability Law Section Executive Council Member **Harold Parker** will share his experience and knowledge of Veterans' benefits and the ethical issues involved. The later presentation includes ethical considerations for one hour of ethics credit.

## **Program Producer: Janet Mynatt,** Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee & the Cumberlands

	Agenda Total Credit hours: 4 general, 1	.0 dual	
8:30 – 8:55 a.m.	<b>Registration/Introduction Remarks from Janet Mynatt</b>		
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	<b>Do's &amp; Don'ts of Administrative Hearings</b> <b>Hon. William Taylor</b> , <i>Office Of Disability Adjudication</i>		
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.	<b>Federal Court work in Social Security cases</b> Eric will discuss the best arguments to make and the best practices for presenting a case on behalf of the disabled claimant in federal court. Eric will also discuss how an attorney can be paid for federal court work under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) and under 42 U.S.C. Sect 406(b) of the Social Security Act. <b>Eric Buchanan,</b> Eric Buchanan & Associates, PLLC		
11:30 – 12:30 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)		

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.	<b>New Issues in Social Security</b> This session will cover recent Congressional and administrative updates on Social Security disability issues including: a discussion of Congressional hearings and oversight of the Social Security disability programs; recent trends in disability decisionmaking; and recent final and proposed rules that have an impact on your practice, with a focus on the proposed rule that requires submission of adverse evidence (comments are due on April 21).	
	1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Veterans Benefits & Ethical Issues Harold Parker, Parker, Toy & Associates, F