Disability Law Annual Forum 2024

October 25 – Live / Virtual
Program Producer: Chris George, George & George
Total Credits: 2 General, 1 Dual

Attendees can earn up to 2 general and 1 dual CLE credits. Sessions will cover a variety of topics applicable to disability law practitioners, including a session with a Vocational Expert discussing the use of artificial intelligence when reviewing files, a DDS/OHO update, and more.

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Central Time	**Practical Advice from a Retired Administrative Law Judge** *In July 2024, Judge Donna retired as an ALJ. Now that she's no longer employed by the Agency, she can provide an unfiltered discussion about things you should know about the behind the scenes at an OHO. She will also provide practical tips for effective representation based on her observations after doing thousands of hearings.* Emma Drozdowski Webb, Drozdowski & Rabin, PLLC Donna Lefebvre, Retired Administrative Law Judge
10:00 a.m. –10:15 a.m.	**Break**
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	**DDS / OHO Update** *Join Kim Joseph and James Stanfield for an update on hiring, processing times, allowance rates, quality initiatives and policy changes.* Kim Joseph, & James Stanfield, Tennessee Disability Determination Services Chris George, George & George
11:15 a.m. –11:30 a.m.	**Break**
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. DUAL	**Employing AI into the Disability Determination Process: Legal & Ethical Considerations** *Artificial Intelligence (AI) has become an invisible thread woven throughout our lives. Government agencies are now employing AI systems in the disability determination process in an effort to maximize the quality, speed, and consistency of processing applications, conducting evaluations, and job placement. Legal and ethical considerations of using AI to determine one's disability along with challenges and opportunities will be discussed. Addressing these considerations requires a collaborative effort for all stakeholders to ensure that AI systems meet legal compliance and are ethically sound.* Dr. Tyra Watts, Vocational Consulting Lena Beal, Beal Law Office