

TBA Federal Practice Forum 2022

A Virtual CLE Event

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Join the Federal Practice Section for its annual forum on May 18 with sessions tailored to both experienced federal court practitioners and those who are new to federal practice. This program features a panel offering tips and tricks on court practice, plus dual sessions covering implicit bias and cybersecurity. We'll end the day with a session on the Ford Motor Company's appearance in front of the US Supreme Court in 2021.

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
CDT

District and Appellate Court Practice Panel

Join Audrey Calkins, Clark Hildabrand, Kevin Ritz, and Diana Comes for a panel discussing trial-court and appellate practice preferences and pointers. The panel has extensive government and private practice experience to bring a diverse perspective to their suggestions.

Audrey Calkins, US Attorney's Office for Western District of TN

Clark Hildabrand, Tennessee Attorney General's Office

Kevin Ritz, US Attorney's Office for Western District of TN

Diana Comes, Community Legal Center

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
DUAL

Working Toward Intentional Equity

"Implicit bias" remains a topic of conversation and concern in the legal community. To learn how it differs from explicit bias and why it is so important, join us for this conversation with nationally-known expert, Professor Sarah Redfield. Professor Redfield will talk about how we know implicit bias exists, where it comes from, and how we can learn to be bias literate. She will offer suggested takeaway strategies for interrupting our unintended biases and learning to see, decide, and act intentionally to achieve greater equity and justice in our work.

Dr. Sarah Redfield, University of New Hampshire

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Break

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

DUAL

How to Protect Client Data, Work with law Enforcement, and Navigate a Constantly Changing Landscape

Just about every report on cybersecurity includes some reference to “increases,” whether in terms of public and corporate resources devoted to dealing with breaches or in describing the number of requests from regulators in the aftermath of major events. In other words, the relationship between cybersecurity and the law is only going to deepen over time, and lawyers must be prepared to answer increasingly complicated questions from their clients, the public, and—in the most egregious cases—the government itself. Former cyber prosecutor Tim Flowers has witnessed firsthand the good, the bad, and the ugly after major cyber events while counseling with victims and prosecuting bad actors. His presentation will cover the current cybersecurity landscape and describe how lawyers must be prepared to address what comes “next” in an area of the law that seems to change by the day.

Tim Flowers, Boeing

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Personal Jurisdiction Post-Ford Motor Co.: Opening Pandora's Box or much Alito about Nothing?

*Ford Motor Co. v. Montana 8th Judicial District Court, et al. Pandora's Box? Or much Alito about nothing? In 2021, the U.S. Supreme Court heard two combined cases involving Ford Motor Company. In both cases, Ford had taken the curious (and ultimately rejected) position that it was not subject to personal jurisdiction for the claims arising in either location despite Ford's essentially ubiquitous presence in both states. In an opinion that went largely unnoticed, the Supreme Court also rejected the arguments that Ford had raised below, but in so doing the Court dramatically expanded the reach of state courts over out of state Defendants. Or did it? If you have not had an opportunity to brush up on Constitutional civil procedure in a while (or since your first year of law school), join LMU Duncan School of Law Professor Thomas H. Shields III to learn about recent changes in the law and how Tennessee state courts are reading *Ford* case.*

Thomas Shields, Lincoln Memorial University