

# Communications Law Forum



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**Program Producer:** Paul McAdoo, Chair

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The Communications Law Section in its annual program will focus on the hot button issues related to the media and topics of interest to the communications bar at large, such as open government, lawsuits concerning speech and the reporter's privilege, political broadcasting law and lawyers and the media.

8:30 a.m.- 9:00 a.m.



**Registration/Breakfast**

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

## **Political Broadcasting Law**

Have you ever wondered why all of those candidates for elective office ads on radio and television say and do weird things, such as: "I am Jane Jones and I approved of this advertisement, which has been paid for by Jane Jones for Congress Campaign Committee." Do you get disgusted by the blizzard of attack ads before an election? Those subjects and many more are regulated under the arcane Political Broadcastings laws and FCC rules.

Charles Naftalin, Holland & Knight LLP

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

## **Panel: Are You Ready for Your Closeup? Lawyers Ethically Dealing with the Media (DUAL)**

The news media loves a good lawsuit, and who better to use as sources or talking heads or quote than the lawyers involved in a case? This panel will seek to answer the questions: When is it ethical to speak with the media? When is it prudent? Do you need a client's permission? And what about gag and sealing orders on lawyers and parties. Does the First Amendment have a role?

Glenn Funk, District Attorney General, 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District

David L. Hudson, Associate Professor of Legal Practice, Belmont University School of Law

Peter J. Strianse, Partner, Tune Entrekin White

Moderator: Lucian Pera, Adams and Reese, LLP

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m..



**Break**

11:15 a.m.– 12:15 p.m.

**Defamation Law Overview**

Go in depth into the latest in defamation law in Tennessee and better understand, privacy law and more!

Richard Hollow, Hollow & Hollow LLC

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