



Unleashed: Hot Topics in Animal Law

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Program Description: This program is for the animal lover in you and will guide you through legal issues dealing in animal law. Learn what's trending in the estates planning for pets session and stay on top of laws that protect people with disabilities who use service animals. Speakers will also address the "first bite rule" covering common liability questions for injuries caused by animals. Horses play a unique role in the law, as they can be property, an athlete, or a vehicle. Learn about equine law and legal issues related to horse activities, industry, and business.

Lunch will be provided.

Agenda

Credit hours: 4.0 general

11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Registration/Lunch

11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Estate Planning for Snowball and Garfield

This session will address estate planning for pets.

Amy Morris Hess, Waller, Lansden, Dortch & Davis

Distinguished Professor of Law, University of Tennessee

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Service Animals: On the GO with Smokey and Coco

This session will explain the distinction between a pet and a service animal. Topics include the many ways people with disabilities use service animals, where service animals can go, and questions businesses can ask.

Martha M. Lafferty, Legal Director of Disability Rights Tennessee

1:30 – 1:45 p.m.

BREAK

1:45 – 2:45 p.m.

Equine Law: Hoofs, Hoods and Hooks

Learn about various aspects of the equine industry in Tennessee and the surrounding legal landscape. From boarding to breeding, lobbying to liability, slaughter to soring, this session will provide an overview of the myriad issues facing horse owners and enthusiasts across the State.

Esther Bell, Chief Executive Officer of Global Intellectual Property Asset Management, PLLC and pro bono General

Counsel for World Walking Horse Association

2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

First Bite Rule Unleashed

Think you know the law? Brush up at this session on injuries caused by animals.

Julie Bowling, *Assistant General Counsel for Tennessee Farmers Insurance Companies*