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	Ends March 31	Ends June 15	Begins June 16
Full Event Bar Member	Early \$1,189	Regular \$1,399	Late \$1,679
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Single Day Bar Member	Early \$479	Regular \$579	Late \$695
Single Day Non-Member	Early \$529	Regular \$629	Late \$755

Agendas are subject to change to ensure the program addresses the most current & timely issues. Please refer to website for updated schedule.

Register by Phone*

Phoenix 602.340.7231 | Tucson 520.623.9944 (8:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday – Friday)

*Please refer to conference policies on the website.

Ethics Session

Monday, July 13, 2026 | 1:00 pm – 4:45 pm

Test the Tracks: An Ethics Contest!

This fast-paced, interactive ethics program brings representatives from each practice track head-to-head in a lively competition. With audience participation and real-world scenarios, this session covers essential and emerging ethics topics facing Arizona attorneys.

Play for prizes and CLE credit!

- New Tips for AI Use
- New Ethics Opinions
- Recurring Legal Malpractice Trends
- Billing Best Practices
- Staff Supervision Requirements
- Advertising Pitfalls (and Surprises)

Hosted by

David Majchrzak and Lynda C. Shely, Rosing Pott & Strohhenn
Roberta Tepper, State Bar of Arizona

Contestants

It's a surprise!

This program may qualify for up to 3 hours MCLE, including 3 hours Ethics credit.

Probate & Estate Law Track

Co-sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona Probate & Trust Law Section

Tuesday–Wednesday, July 14-15, 2026 | 8:15 am – 12:30 pm each day

Estate Planning and Trust Administration: Practical Strategies and Emerging Trends

This comprehensive two-day program delivers advanced estate planning insight and practical trust administration strategies. From electronic wills to navigating fiduciary gray areas, faculty address both foundational and sophisticated issues facing probate practitioners.

Day 1 – Tuesday, July 14

- Legal Paraprofessionals in Probate Practice
- Powers of Attorney
- Supplemental Needs Planning
- Electronic Wills and Remote Notaries

Track Chairs

Shawn Garner, Deason Garner & Hansen
T.J. Ryan, Frazer Ryan Goldberg & Arnold LLP

Faculty

Samuel DiPietro, Spencer Fane LLP
Robert Fleming, Fleming & Curti PLC
Nora Jones, Tiffany & Bosco PA
Emily Kile, Mushkatel, Gobbato & Kile, PLLC
Ed P. Morrow III, Kelleher + Holland, LLC

Day 2 – Wednesday, July 15

- State Residency: Estate Planning Guide
- Practical Trust Administration
- Unwinding SLATs and Other Grantor Trusts in Divorce
- Navigating the Gray: Advising Fiduciaries Through High-Stakes Decisions with No Clear Answers

Faculty (cont.)

Brianna Niro, Mazza + Niro PLC
Katie Warner, McDonald Warner
Spencer Wilkinson, Jackson White PC
Jordan Young, Fleming & Curti PLC

This track may qualify for up to 8 hours MCLE, including up to 5 hours Estate & Trust Law Specialization, and up to 1 hour Ethics credit.

Family Law Track

Co-sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona Family Law Section
Tuesday–Wednesday, July 14-15, 2026 | 8:15 am – 12:30 pm each day

Where Borders Meet Families: Immigration, Legislative Updates & Mediation Solutions

This two-day program provides a comprehensive look at emerging issues and practical strategies shaping modern family law practice. Discuss timely updates on recent case law and legislative developments, an examination of family law in a global and immigration-focused context, and jurisdictional considerations under the UCCJEA and Hague Convention. Explore effective approaches to preparing clients for mediation, with an emphasis on managing expectations and fostering productive resolution. Gain substantive insights and practical tools to support effective advocacy.

Day 1 – Tuesday, July 14

- Annual Case Law and Legislative Updates
- Hot Tips for Practical Application

Track Chair

David N. Horowitz, Warner Angle Hallam Jackson & Formanek PLC

Faculty

Honorable Ronda R. Fisk, Maricopa Co. Superior Court
Sally Colton, Reardon House Colton PLC
Kristi Reardon, Reardon House Colton PLC

Day 2 – Wednesday, July 15

- Legal Pathways: Family Law in a Global Age
- From Conflict to Compromise: Preparing Clients for Effective Mediation and Handling Significant Issues in Mediation

Faculty (cont.)

Giancarlo Sapelli, Warner Angle Hallam Jackson & Formanek
Jennika Stith, Warner Angle Hallam Jackson & Formanek

This program track may qualify for up to 8 hours MCLE, including up to 8 hours Family Law Specialization credit.

Litigation Track

Co-sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona Trial Practice Section
Tuesday–Wednesday, July 14-15, 2026 | 8:15 am – 12:30 pm each day

High-Stakes Civil Litigation: Traumatic Brain Injury, Expert Practice, & Complex Discovery

This advanced two-day track is designed for litigators handling complex civil cases involving traumatic brain injury, expert testimony, and significant discovery disputes.

Day 1 – Tuesday, July 14

- TBI – Scientific Developments in Traumatic Brain Injury Cases; Using Scientific Developments to Strengthen Injury Claims and Defenses

Track Chair

Jennifer Rebholz, Zwillingner Wulkan

Faculty

Honorable Christopher Whitten, Maricopa Co. Superior Court
Jason Bliss, Aspey Watkins & Diesel PLLC
Larry J. Cohen, Cohen Law Firm
Jennifer Elias, Breyer Law Offices (Husband & Wife Law Team)

Day 2 – Wednesday, July 15

- Handling Experts and Discovery in Catastrophic Injury Cases

This track may qualify for up to 8 hours MCLE, including up to 8 hours Personal Injury/Wrongful Death Litigation Specialization and 4 hours Criminal Law Specialization credit.

Business/In-House Counsel Track

Co-sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona Business Law Section and In-House Counsel Section
Tuesday–Wednesday, July 14-15, 2026 | 8:15 am – 12:30 pm each day

Designed for business attorneys and in-house counsel navigating an evolving regulatory and litigation environment, this two-day program delivers strategic insight into risk allocation, restrictive covenants, deal structure, and DEI compliance.

Day 1 – Tuesday, July 14

- Sue Me and I'll Sue You Back: Indemnification, Arbitration, and Beyond
- Non-Compete Agreements in the Wake of New Regulations: Drafting Enforceable Restrictive Covenants

Track Chair

Tiana Fields, Goal Solutions

Day 2 – Wednesday, July 15

- M&A Deal Structure: Negotiating Earn-Outs and Indemnification in Volatile Markets
- DEI and the Law: Mitigating Legal Risk from DEI Initiatives and the Evolving Legal Landscape

Faculty

To Be Announced

This track may qualify for up to 8 hours MCLE credit.

Real Estate Track

Co-sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona Real Property Law Section

Tuesday–Wednesday, July 14-15, 2026 | 8:15 am – 12:30 pm each day

Navigating Arizona Real Property in 2026: Sustainability, Scarcity, and Smart Transactions

This forward-looking program addresses the legal, economic, and environmental forces reshaping Arizona real estate. From water law to zoning battles, faculty provide timely insight for transactional and litigation practitioners alike.

Day 1 – Tuesday, July 14

- Arizona Real Estate Markets, Unfiltered
- Legal Issues Arising Out of Various Types of Real Estate Sales
- Planning and Zoning, Including NIMBY(ies) and YIMBY(ies)
- Arizona Water Law Updates Impacting Real Estate Transactions
- The Impact of Data Centers

Track Chairs

Alexis Firehawk, CHDB Law LLP

Tricia Schafer, Tricia Schafer Dispute Resolution, PLLC

Faculty

Alexandra Arboleda, Gammage & Burnham PLC

Corey Larson, Jennings Haug Keleher McLeod Waterfall LLP

Adam Nach, Nach, Rodgers, Hilker & Santilli

Ben Nach, Arizona General Stream Adjudication

Day 2 – Wednesday, July 15

- Case Law / Legislative Update
- Community Association Law Update: Key Changes and Trends for 2026
- Overview of Arizona's General Stream Adjudications
- Law of the Colorado River, Central Arizona Project & Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District
- Mediation of Real Estate Disputes

Faculty (cont.)

Michele Van Quathem, Law Offices of Michele Van Quathem PLLC

Manjula Vaz, Gammage & Burnham PLC

Beth Jo Zeitzer, ROI Properties

This track may qualify for up to 8 hours MCLE, including up to 8 hours Real Estate Law Specialization and up to 1 hour Ethics credit.

AI Track

Thursday, July 16, 2026 | 8:15 am – 12:30 pm

Generative AI's Transformation of Substantive Law, Business of Law, Access to Justice, and the Judiciary

Plenary: Generative AI's Transformation of Substantive Law, Business of Law, Access to Justice, and the Judiciary

Artificial intelligence tools like ChatGPT, Claude, Deepseek, Gemini, and other Large Language Models (LLMs) are transforming the legal profession. And rapidly: GPT-4 not only passed the bar exam, it beat 90% of humans. This discussion – led by litigator, coder, and AI-builder Damien Riehl – will explore how AI is already shaping legal practice, as well as ways that the judiciary and arbitrators are using AI to better administer justice. He will also discuss how AI can help the business of law, as well as closing the access-to-justice gap. Join us for this timely talk about how Generative AI will continue improving legal practice and justice.

Litigation Breakout: LawGPT for Litigators - Workflows That Work

Tired of AI hype? This hands-on session cuts through the noise. Litigator, coder, and AI-builder Damien Riehl will demonstrate real litigation workflows powered by AI – from analyzing complaints and depositions to profiling opposing counsel and finding precedents. You'll see practical tools in action: extracting claims and defenses, building arguments, researching docket histories, and drafting litigation documents. Each workflow addresses concrete litigation tasks you face daily. No theory. Just working demonstrations of AI tools that can help you litigate more effectively. You'll leave with specific workflows you can implement immediately – and a clearer sense of how AI tools can deliver value for litigators.

From Prompts to Agents Breakout: A Practical Workshop on Frontier and Legal-Specific AI Tools

Artificial intelligence is now embedded in daily legal practice, but many attorneys still struggle to evaluate tools, write effective prompts, or understand what modern agentic systems can actually do. This interactive workshop, led by Sean Harrington, will provide a practical, hands-on introduction to prompting strategies, the capabilities and limits of agent systems, and how to assess both frontier AI models and the major legal AI platforms. Participants will experiment with tools in real time, compare platform features, and learn how to identify strengths, risks, and appropriate use cases in their own workflows.

This is a laptop-required session. Attendees will leave with clear, adaptable methods for using AI responsibly and effectively in research, writing, and everyday legal tasks.

Faculty

Sean Harrington, Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law

Damien Riehl, Clio

This track may qualify for up to 4 hours MCLE credit.

Happy Hour by the Bay

Monday, July 13, 2026 | 4:45 pm – 6:00 pm
Reserved for attendees of the Ethics Session

Grab a bite to eat and a drink with your colleagues before you head out to dinner. Enjoy the beautiful San Diego skyline view while relaxing after an afternoon of CLE. This lovely start to the evening is an opportunity to network and engage with colleagues and friends.

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Note: Attendees of the Ethics Session and one guest are invited to attend at no additional cost. Only registered attendees of the Ethics Session may purchase additional guest tickets at the discounted rate of \$120 per guest. A limited number of tickets for children ages 5-12 are available for \$60 per child. Guests must be accompanied by an attendee of the Ethics Session.

Hotel Rates & Reservations

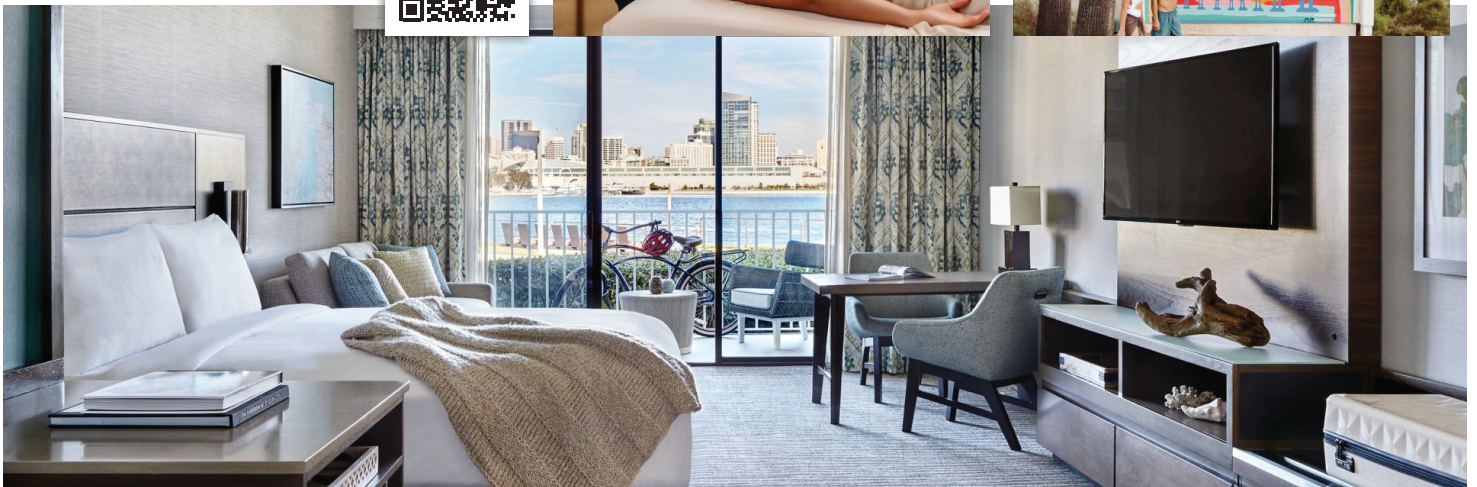
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