Satisfy All of Your New York State MCLE Requirements

Attorneys admitted to the New York State Bar are required to complete 16 hours of approved Continuing Legal Education credits during each of their first two years of admission. On January 10-12, 2014, Brooklyn Law School will present PLI’s Bridge-the-Gap I program. By attending this entire program, you will satisfy all of your annual Mandatory Continuing Legal Education requirements for newly admitted attorneys in New York. Take advantage of this one-time only opportunity to attend this comprehensive program at Brooklyn Law School and earn your MCLE credits at a significantly reduced cost.

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Please Note: Even if you DID NOT pass the 2013 New York State Bar Examination, you may still take this program and carry your credits over until the date of your admission.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2014 • 6:00 – 9:00 P.M.

3 NYMCLE Credit Hours — Ethics and Professionalism

6:00 – 7:45 p.m. Then and Now – The Deadly Dozen: 12 of the Most Common Mistakes Lawyers Make When Dealing with Clients

Chair: Gordon Eng, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer, Sky Harbor Capital Management, LLC

Faculty: Vincent T. Chang, Wollmuth, Maher & Deutsch LLP

Sari Gabay-Rafiy, Gabay-Rafiy & Bowler LLP; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2000

Barry R. Temkin, Mound Cotton Wollan & Greengrass

7:45 – 8:00 p.m. Break

8:00 – 9:00 p.m. "Breaking Bad (Habits): Understanding the 'Elements' of Building a Successful and Ethical Law Practice”

Pery D. Krinsky, Krinsky PLLC

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2014 • 10:00 a.m. – 5:15 p.m.

7 NYMCLE Credit Hours — Professional Practice — 1 Credit Hour

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Mediation Advocacy Strategies

Hon. Ariel E. Belen (Ret.), JAMS

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Key Skills for Starting a Practice: Entity Formation, Basic Filings, Trust Accounts, Malpractice Insurance, and Low-Cost Legal Research

Richard H. Abend, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

Kenneth J. Anand, Vandenberg & Felius, LLP; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Basic Drafting Skills — From Engagement Letters to Contracts

Richard H. Abend, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

Kenneth J. Anand, Vandenberg & Felius, LLP; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 – 4:15 p.m. Practicing in the NY State and Federal Court Systems

Richard H. Abend, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

Kenneth J. Anand, Vandenberg & Felius, LLP; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

4:15 – 5:15 p.m. Pro Bono Update — How Pro Bono Can Improve Your Professional Practice and Skills

Johane Severin, Staten Island Legal Services; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2008

Stephanie Morin Taylor, Queens Legal Services; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2006

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2014 • 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

6 NYMCLE Credit Hours — Professional Practice

10:00 – 11:15 a.m. Matrimonial Practice

Elena Karabatos, Schlissel Ostrow Karabatos PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 1986

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Break

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Using Bankruptcy to Help Your Client

Rachel Blumenfeld, Law Office of Rachel Blumenfeld; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2000

Norma E. Ortiz, Ortiz & Ortiz LLP

12:45 – 1:45 p.m. Lunch

1:45 – 3:00 p.m. Employment Law Practice

Kevan Cleary, United States Attorneys’ Office; Adjunct Assistant Professor of Clinical Law, Brooklyn Law School

Steven Warshawsky, The Warshawsky Law Firm

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 – 4:30 p.m. Criminal: What Criminal Lawyers Should Know About Immigration Law and What Immigration Lawyers Should Know About Dealing with Criminal Lawyers

Matthew L. Guadagno, The Law Office of Matthew L. Guadagno; Adjunct Professor, Brooklyn Law School

Program Attorney: Doreen Odom

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