



Tri-State Defense Lawyers Association

TDLA 9th ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, September 18, 2015

SPEAKER BIOS

9:00-10:00 a.m. TECHNOLOGY & MARKETING: ETHICAL PITFALLS TO AVOID

Learn how best to leverage technology in marketing your professional image. Hear about potential ethical pitfalls to avoid in how you do this. Get pointers from New England practitioners in small to large firms to hear about what works and what doesn't.



Moderator: Caroline K. Leonard, Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell, P.C., Concord, NH and TDLA NH Vice-President: Caroline's work involves civil litigation, corporate and securities law, banking law, and land use. Prior to joining Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell, Caroline interned with the legal and compliance departments of a New York City private equity firm. She also worked previously as an investment funds paralegal with a New York City law firm. While in law school, Caroline externed with Justice Carol Ann Conboy of the New Hampshire Supreme Court. She is a graduate of Colby College and the University of New Hampshire School of Law.



Emily G. Coughlin, Founding Partner, Coughlin Betke LLP, Nashua, NH: Emily tries cases and handles appeals in all State and Federal Courts in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Her practice concentration includes 25 years of broad-ranging civil litigation experience representing businesses and insurers in construction-related litigation, products and premises litigation, employment liability and professional liability litigation. She currently serves as a National Director on the Board of Directors of the Defense Research Institute (DRI). Emily is a graduate of Brown University and Suffolk Law School.



Katherine J. Morneau, Law Office of Katherine J. Morneau, Nashua, NH: Katherine has been practicing family law since 2006 and opened her own law firm in 2012. The firm handles primarily family law cases and also estate planning and administration along with criminal defense matters. She represented the NH Bar Association as an attendee at the 4th Annual Super Marketing Conference in Boston. She has taken numerous technology and marketing webinars ranging from ethical blog writing to networking online. Collaborative Divorce has been a growing area of Katherine's practice. She is an active member of the Nashua Practice Group for Collaborative Law Professionals as well as their Marketing and Public Outreach Committee, focusing on handling the organizations blog. Katherine attended Franklin Pierce University (formerly known as Franklin Pierce College) and the University of New Hampshire School of Law.



Edward J. Sackman, Burnstein Shur, Manchester, NH: Ned Sackman is a member of the Business Law Practice Group. He specializes in litigation involving intellectual property, as well as cases arising from corporate espionage, trade secrets, and non-competition agreements. He also defends large employers in employment litigation. Prior to joining Bernstein Shur, Ned clerked for Judge Thomas M. Golden of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of Tulane University and the University of Virginia School of Law.

10:00-11:00 a.m. PERSPECTIVE FROM THE BENCH: A TRI-STATE PANEL

A panel of current and retired judges will offer insight and perspective on current issues from each of their respective states. Topics to be discussed include vanishing jury trial, attorney malpractice claims, jury voir dire, and more!



Moderator: Elizabeth L. Hurley, Getman, Schulthess, Steere & Poulin, P.A., Manchester NH: Elizabeth is an experienced and proficient litigator, having tried numerous cases in the N.H. Superior Courts, Circuit Courts and before the United States District Court. She has also argued before the First Circuit Court of Appeals and the N.H. Supreme Court several times. Elizabeth specializes in Civil Rights Defense, State and Local Government Defense, Construction Law and General Liability cases. Elizabeth's professional experience includes being a supervising prosecutor at the Pima County

Attorney's Office in Tucson, Arizona, where she represented Pima County in numerous oral arguments before the Arizona Court of Appeals and the Arizona Supreme Court and tried high profile criminal cases. She is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and the University of Richmond, T.C. Williams School of Law



Robert E. Crowley, retired Maine Superior Court Justice, Kelley, Rimmel & Zimmerman, Portland, ME: Bob is a retired Maine judge who, since his retirement in 2010, has been engaged in a full time dispute resolution practice at KRZ where he provides private judging, mediation, arbitration and neutral evaluation of cases. Bob served as a judge on the Probate Court in York County, Maine (1983-1987), a judge on the Maine District Court (1987-1993), and as a Justice of the Maine Superior Court from 1993 through his retirement in 2010. While serving as a Justice in the Maine Superior Court, Bob pioneered judicial settlement conferences in Maine and developed a reputation as a leader in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution. He is a graduate of Georgetown University and the Georgetown University Law Center.

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Geoffrey W. Crawford, U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Vermont: Judge Crawford was nominated to the District of Vermont on May 19, 2014, and confirmed on June 24, 2014. In 2002 Judge Crawford was appointed as a Vermont Superior Court judge by Governor Howard Dean. He was appointed in 2013 to the Vermont Supreme Court by Governor Peter Shumlin. He commenced his service in the District of Vermont in August 2014. Previously, he served as a law clerk for the Hon. Albert W. Coffrin in the District of Vermont in 1980-1981. He was an associate at the law firm of Burlingham Underwood & Lord in New York City from 1981 – 1984. In 1984 he returned to Burlington, Vermont and entered private practice. He was an associate at the law firm of Manchester & O’Neill from 1984 – 1987 and a partner at O’Neill Crawford & Green from 1987 – 2002. Judge Crawford graduated from Yale University and received his J.D. from Harvard Law School.



Andrew R. Schulman, New Hampshire Superior Court Justice, Manchester, NH: Prior to being appointed to the NH Superior Court in 2014, Judge Schulman spent fourteen years in private practice with Getman, Schulthess & Steere, P.A., handling a diverse caseload of civil and criminal cases. He began his career as a public defender in 1985. He was a member of the New Hampshire Public Defender Major Crimes Unit, which was responsible for homicide defense statewide. He also served as the director of the criminal practice clinic at the Franklin Pierce Law Center. In 2004, he was honored as the New Hampshire Association of Criminal Defense Lawyer’s *Champion Of Justice*. Judge Schulman received a B.A. from Haverford College and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

11:15-12:15 p.m. DEFENDING WITH CIVILITY

This session will be an interactive discussion between the audience and the panelists on issues of civility/professionalism encountered by defense litigators in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. The panelists will cover topics of interest to the audience from unseemly electronic communications and discovery challenges to pro hac appointments and more!



Moderator: Paul C. Catsos, Thompson & Bowie LLP, Portland, ME and TDLA ME President: Paul has successfully represented individuals and businesses including insurance companies in state and federal court trials, arbitrations, administrative and workers compensation hearings, licensing board proceedings, mediations and appeals. His practice is focused on civil litigation, including professional liability, products liability and food claims, and workers' compensation. He also is an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of New England's College of Pharmacy. Paul is a graduate of Cornell University and the Suffolk University Law School.

William C. Nugent, Esq., Director, Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers and Judges, (MAP) Portland, ME: Bill became the Director of MAP in 2009. Prior to becoming the Director of MAP, Bill practiced civil litigation in Maine for thirty five years. He began his legal career in Washington County (ME) as a staff attorney for Pine Tree Legal Assistance. He later served as an Assistant Attorney General, then as Chief Counsel of the Maine Department of Transportation. After eleven years in the public sector he entered private practice at an insurance defense firm in Portland, and subsequently established a solo practice with a focus on civil trial work and employment law. He is a graduate of Ohio University and Northeastern University School of Law.



John Burwell Garvey, Daniel Webster Scholar Honors Program University of New Hampshire School of Law, Concord, NH: Professor Garvey has directed the nationally acclaimed Daniel Webster Scholar Honors Program since the program’s inception in 2005. John has over 35 years of practice experience, the first three of which were in the United States Navy JAG Corps. Following that, he practiced primarily in New Hampshire. He was the chair of the litigation department at Sulloway & Hollis, in Concord, NH. He was identified by *National Jurist* in 2013 as one of the 25 most influential people in the United States in legal education. He is this year’s recipient of the NH Bar Association’s Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession.



Robert D. Rachlin, Downs Rachlin Martin PLLC, Burlington, VT: Robert has practiced in Vermont since December 1959. He is a co-founder, senior director, and general counsel of Downs Rachlin Martin PLLC, the largest firm in Vermont. His career has been centered on litigation, especially product liability, personal injury, medical malpractice, and commercial disputes. He is the author of numerous published articles on the Holocaust, on law, on early American history, and on aviation. He co-edited, with Professor Alan Steinweis of the University of Vermont, *The Law in Nazi Germany*, a collection of essays published in 2013 by Berghahn Books (Oxford & New York), and he contributed a chapter to that book, on Roland Freisler and the *Volksgeschichtshof* (People’s Court). From 2006-2012, he was a professor at Vermont Law School, teaching courses on ethics, remedies, and corporations.