

“Anatomy of a Trial”

Young Lawyers Trial Skills Program

U.S. District Court, George C. Young Federal Annex Courthouse, Ceremonial Courtroom

Presented by the American College of Trial Lawyers, Orange County Bar Association, the American Bar Association, Litigation Section and the Federal Bar Association, Orlando Chapter

February 4, 2022

Judges for the day:

A.M. – Honorable Judge Gregory A. Presnell

United States District Court, Middle District of Florida

P.M. – Honorable Judge Roy B. Dalton, Jr.

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AGENDA

MORNING SESSION

- 8:00 – 8:15 am Call to Order, Opening Remarks and Welcome
- Speakers: **Paul Sandler**, Shapiro, Sher, Guinot & Sandler, P.A. - Baltimore and **Mark Horwitz**, Law Offices of Horwitz & Citro, P.A. - Orlando
- 8:15 – 8:45 am **Discussion of Case Analysis, Theory of the Case, Civility, and Professionalism**
- Speakers: **The Honorable Judge Gregory A. Presnell**, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, **The Honorable Julie O’Kane**, O’Kane Mediation & Arbitration, LLC – Orlando, **Warren Lindsey**, Lindsey & Perry, P.A. – Winter Park

- 8:45 – 9:10 am **Lecture: Opening Statements**
 Speaker: **David Paul**, Paul, Knopf, Bigger – Winter Park
- 9:10 – 9:40 am **Demonstration of Opening Statements**
 9:10 – 9:25 am State: **Vincent A. Citro**, Law Offices of Horwitz & Citro, P.A. - Orlando
 9:25 – 9:40 am Defendant: **Bud Kirk**, Rumberger, Kirk - Orlando
- 9:40 – 10:15 am **Panel Discussion - Critique of Opening Statements; Questions and Answers**
 Moderator: **LaShawnda K. Jackson**, Rumberger, Kirk - Orlando
 Speakers: **Francis McDonald, Jr.**, McDonald, Toole, Wiggins, P.A. - Orlando
The Honorable Judge Kevin Weiss, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orange County, Florida, **David Paul**, Paul, Knopf, Bigger - Orlando
- 10:15 - 10:30 am **BREAK**
- 10:30 – 11:05 am **Lecture on Direct Examination**
 Speaker: **Suzanne Gilbert**, Holland & Knight L.L.P. - Orlando
- 11:05 – 11:35 am **Demonstration of Direct Examination**
 Speaker: **Mary Jaye Hall**, McEwan, Martinez & Dukes, P.A. - Orlando
- 11:35 – 12:15 pm **Panel Discussion — Critique of Direct Examination: Questions and Answers**
 Moderator: **Eric Reed**, Shutts & Bowen, LLP - Orlando
 Speakers: **Bud Kirk**, Rumberger, Kirk – Orlando, **The Honorable Judge Lisa Munyon**, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orange County, Florida, **Terry Young**, Lowndes, Drosdick, Kantor & Reed, P.A. - Orlando, **The Honorable Judge John Antoon**, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 12:15 – 1:30 pm **Lunch Panel Discussion - Jury Assembly Room**
What Judges Want from Trial Lawyers
Moderator: **Mark Horwitz**, Law Offices of Horwitz & Citro, P.A. - Orlando
Speakers: **The Honorable Judge Emerson Thompson**, Senior Judge, 5th District Court of Appeals, **The Honorable Judge Lisa Munyon**, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orange County Florida, **The Honorable Judge Roy B. Dalton, Jr.**, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida
- 1:30 – 2:10 pm **Lecture on Cross-Examination**
Speaker: **Mark Horwitz**, Law Offices of Horwitz & Citro, P.A. – Orlando
- 2:10 – 2:40 pm **Demonstration of Cross-Examination**
Speaker: **Kenneth McKenna**, Dellecker, Wilson, King, McKenna & Ruffier - Orlando
- 2:40 – 3:15 pm **Panel Discussion – Critique of Cross-Examination; Questions and Answers**
Moderator: **Tony Sos**, Dellecker, Wilson, King, McKenna & Ruffier - Orlando
Speakers: **Richard Schwamm**, Haliczzer, Pettis & Schwamm, P.A. - Orlando, **The Honorable Judge Heather Higbee**, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orange County, Florida, **The Honorable Julie O’Kane**, O’Kane Mediation & Arbitration, LLC – Orlando
- 3:15 – 3:30 pm **BREAK**
- 3:30 – 5:50 pm **Lecture on Closing Arguments**
Speaker: **Thomas Dukes**, McEwan, Martinez & Dukes, P.A. – Orlando

- 3:50 – 4:30 pm **Demonstration of Closing Arguments**
- 3:50 4:10 pm State: **Angelo Patacca**, Terrell Hogan - Jacksonville
- 4:10 – 4:30 pm Defendant: **Roberta Stanley**, Brinkley Morgan – Fort Lauderdale
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- 4:30 – 4:55 pm **Panel Discussion – Critique of Closing Arguments; Questions and Answers**
- Moderator: **LaShawnda K. Jackson**, Rumberger, Kirk - Orlando
- Speakers: **Vincent A. Citro**, Law Offices of Horwitz & Citro, P.A. - Orlando, **The Honorable John Antoon**, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, **Warren Lindsey**, Lindsey & Ferry, P.A. - Orlando, **Francis McDonald, Jr.**, McDonald, Toole, Wiggins, P.A. - Orlando
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- 4:55 – 5:25 pm **Concluding Lecture – Twelve Secrets of Persuasive Argument**
- Speaker: **Paul Sandler**, Shapiro, Sher, Guinot & Sandler, P.A. - Baltimore
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- 5:25 – 5:30 pm **Closing Remarks**
- Speakers: **Mark Horwitz**, Law Offices of Horwitz & Citro, P.A. - Orlando, **Paul Sandler**, Shapiro, Sher, Guinot & Sandler, P.A. - Baltimore