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The Education Conference is an all day event designed to offer Philadelphia metropolitan area paralegals, paralegal students and attorneys an opportunity to increase their knowledge base, explore new areas of the law, and network with their peers. The sessions are designed to appeal to new paralegals as well as seasoned paralegals. This year, the Education Committee is offering something new and exciting – a Pro Bono session. This has not been offered in previous years and the Committee anticipates it being well received.

I encourage you to visit with all of our vendors as they offer you information about their services. And ask that you remember to utilize the vendors for your professional needs.

I want to thank everyone on the Education Committee for their untiring efforts in planning this Conference.

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We would like to thank our Keynote Speaker, A. Michael Pratt, Esquire, The Philadelphia Bar Association Chancellor and all the other speakers for volunteering their time and efforts for the Conference.

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A. MICHAEL PRATT GUEST SPEAKER



Michael Pratt is a partner in the Philadelphia office of Pepper Hamilton LLP, concentrating in commercial, product liability and mass tort litigation. He represents clients in a range of complex commercial and product liability matters involving contracts, civil rights policies and toxic torts.

Mr. Pratt is leading the Philadelphia Bar Association as chancellor in 2008. The 13,000-member association is America's first chartered metropolitan bar association and Pennsylvania's largest local bar association.

Mr. Pratt joined Pepper Hamilton in 1986, where he has practiced since, with two separate leaves – he was chief deputy city solicitor in charge of commercial litigation for the City of Philadelphia's Law Department from early 1992 until mid-1994, and chief litigation counsel for corporate and toxic tort matters for Honeywell International Inc. in Morristown, N.J., from late 2001 until mid-2003.

While with the City of Philadelphia's Law Department, Mr. Pratt supervised the work of the commercial litigation unit and represented the city in several major pieces of litigation, including suits involving the city's affirmative action policies and a suit brought under RICO and the securities laws.

At Honeywell International, one of the world's largest diversified technology and manufacturing companies, Mr. Pratt was responsible for leading the company's defense of major litigation in a number of areas. He was the senior in-house litigator responsible for managing and coordinating the strategic and tactical defense of all of the company's active, nationwide asbestos liability. He also managed the defense of securities class actions, insurance coverage and several other commercial disputes.

Mr. Pratt has co-authored several articles and publications, including "Developing Strategy in Mass Tort Litigation," published in *For the Defense* (September 2003), the Pennsylvania chapter in *State in Public Contracting Law Source Book* (CCH, 2002) and the Pennsylvania chapter in *Fifty States Public Contracting* (Wiley Law Publications, 1996).

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A. MICHAEL PRATT GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Pratt is dedicated to professional and community activities. In addition to his current role of chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association, he has held many other leadership positions in the association, including serving as chancellor-elect in 2007, vice chancellor in 2006, a member of its board of governors and chairman of its Young Lawyers Division (he was the first African-American to hold that office).

He has served as president of the Barristers' Association of Philadelphia, an organization of African-American lawyers, and in various leadership positions in the National Bar Association, which represents African-American lawyers and judges across the country.

Mr. Pratt also has been actively involved with the Pennsylvania and American bar associations, serving as a member of the PBA's House of Delegates, the ABA's Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants, and the ABA's Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service.

Mr. Pratt is a member of the board of trustees of Washington & Jefferson College (Washington, Pa.), a member of the board of directors of Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, Inc., and a past chairman of the board of trustees of Community Legal Services, Inc. in Philadelphia. He also has served as a big brother in Philadelphia's local Big Brother Big Sister Association and as a mentor in the Philadelphia Futures Program.

He has received a number of honors and awards. They include being recognized by the *Philadelphia Business Journal* as one of the region's "40 Under 40" leading young professionals, receiving the J. Austin Norris Award from the Barristers' Association, and receiving the Equal Justice Award from Community Legal Services.

Mr. Pratt received a B.A. in economics and English from Washington & Jefferson College in 1981, and his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1985. He then served a one-year judicial clerkship with the Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Mr. Pratt is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia.



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Schedule of Events

Continental Breakfast: 8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. (Sponsored by Robson Forensic)

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<u>Session I:</u> 9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.

Morning Break: 10:15 A.M. – 10:45 A.M. (Sponsored by West, A Thomson Reuters business)

Session II: 10:45 A.M. - Noon

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Luncheon: 12:00 Noon - 2:00 P.M. Keynote Address by A. Michael Pratt, Esquire Paris Room (Sponsored by Abelson Legal Search)

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Session III: 2:00 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.

Afternoon Break: 3:15 P.M. – **3:30** P.M. (Sponsored by California University of Pennsylvania)

Exhibitor Raffles: 3:15 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Session IV: 3:30 P.M. – 4:45 P.M.

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Session I 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

LEGAL WRITING

Common Problems and Pitfalls in Legal Writing

As more and more attorneys are relying upon their paralegals to prepare first drafts of status letters, internal and adversarial legal memoranda, pleadings and discovery, today's paralegals are expected to write well. Even possessing strong writing skills, there are a number of common mistakes made and pitfalls that paralegals encounter when writing in a legal forum.

This seminar is designed to teach the basics of concise and effective legal writing to formulate cohesive arguments. Particular emphasis will be placed on the application of critical thinking skills in all legal writing and on the use of different rhetorical strategies in both adversarial and informational legal writing.

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Glenn Barnes, Associate Professor of Paralegal Studies Peirce College

Glenn Barnes, Esq., an Associate Professor of Legal Studies at Peirce College, graduated *cum laude* with a Bachelors of Arts degree in English from Cornell University in 1981. He received his *Juris Doctor* degree from Suffolk University School of Law in 1985, where he was awarded the *Am Jur* Award in Tort Law. Professor Barnes has been a practicing attorney since 1985, and has his own law practice, concentrating in the areas of civil litigation including personal injury and medical malpractice, corporate and employment law, family law, and estate planning and estate administration. Professor Barnes also conducts training workshops in Philadelphia and New York in various areas of employment law. His clients have included Robert A. M. Stern Architects, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), and the U.S. Postal Service. He is a published writer, won First Place in the Philadelphia City Paper Poetry and Fiction Contest in 2002, and was a 2002 Pew Fellowships in the Arts Finalist. Mr. Barnes has been teaching legal studies since 1994 and has been a member of the Peirce College faculty since May 2003. In 2008, he won the Peirce College Hamilton Award for Academic Excellence and Integrity.

FAMILY LAW

Same Sex Couples-Rights and Responsibilities

As the complexion of the American family changes with the advent of same sex- couples raising and adopting children, the legal issues facing the family law practice are changing too. This seminar is designed to give the family law paralegal an overview of child custody developments facing same-sex couples and support obligations. In addition, Ms. Brennan will analyze the legal ramifications of same-sex marriages, civil unions and the Defense of Marriage in the Commonwealth and how each may impact the rights and responsibilities of family members.

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Meredith Brennan, Esquire

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Ms. Brennan's practice focuses on family law. Prior to joining Schnader, she served as an intern in the Family Violence and Sexual Assault Unit of the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, served as an intern at the National Organization of Women Legal Defense and Education Fund in New York and volunteered at the Women's Law Project in Philadelphia. She is admitted to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, U.S. Third Circuit Court of Appeals, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and the New Jersey Supreme Court. Ms. Brennan is a member of Pennsylvania Bar Association, the Executive Committee of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Family Law Section, and Co-chair of Divorce & Equitable Distribution Committee. She has published numerous articles on a variety of family law topics in *The Legal Intelligencer, Pennsylvania Law Weekly*, and others. She has lectured on custody, support and divorce issues for PBI and bar association programs.

Along with numerous speaking engagements, Ms. Brennan has been named a 'Lawyer on the Fast Track' by *The Legal Intelligencer*, 2006, and recognized among 'Pennsylvania Rising Stars' by the publishers of *Law & Politics* and *Super Lawyers*, for family law, 2005, 2006, 2007. She also is the recipient, Certificate of Recognition for Pro Bono Services, awarded by the Penn Legal Assistance Office at the University of Pennsylvania Law School, 2001, First Judicial District Pro Bono Roll of Honor, 2007 and Pennsylvania Bar Association Pro Bono Award, 2007. Ms. Brennan received her B.A. from Georgetown University and her J.D. from New York University.

LITIGATION

Alternative Dispute Resolution - Understanding the Paralegal's Role

As today's clients are seeking alternatives to resolving legal matters in the courtroom, attorneys and their paralegals must face new challenges. This session is designed to provide the litigation paralegal with an overview of the advantages, practice and theory of alternative dispute resolution (ADR). Mr. Bock will address the dispute resolution process, and how paralegals can become more effective in preparing for this alternative to resolve disputes. A close look at the paralegal's role during ADR will be explored. Mr. Bock also will examine the differences of mediation vs. arbitration, and the recent trends seen in Alternative Dispute Resolution.

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Harris T. Bock, Esquire Director of Dispute Resolution Institute

Mr. Bock is a respected and recognized leader in the ADR field. One of the handfuls of full time neutrals in the Philadelphia area, his practice is devoted exclusively to serving as arbitrator, mediator, and fact finder or hearing officer. Mr. Bock's areas of expertise include business, personal injury, professional malpractice, employment, insurance, partnership, law firm and equitable distribution disputes.

Mr. Bock is routinely selected by agreement of counsel as well as State and Federal Judiciary to serve as Arbitrator, Special Master or Mediator. He is currently Special Hearing Officer for the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania. A frequent lecturer for continuing legal education programs, commercial trade associations, insurance carriers and Trial Lawyer and Defense Counsel groups in all aspects of dispute resolution, Mr. Bock has authored numerous articles in the ADR field. He was the founding Managing Editor and was instrumental in initiating publication of *The Philadelphia County Reporter* in 1977 and served in such capacity until 1990.

Director Bock serves as a consultant in ADR design and utilization. He created and implemented a unique mediation program in the Philadelphia Common Pleas Court and served as Chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association ADR Committee for five years. Under his leadership, ADR awareness and utilization in the Philadelphia area increased substantially. He has also served as special ADR Consultant to governmental entities and Fortune 500 companies.

Mr. Bock is currently Adjunct Professor of Alternative Dispute Resolution at Villanova Law School and has assisted in the teaching of courses on dispute resolution at numerous accredited institutions. He is a Full Member of the Society for Professionals in Dispute Resolution, a Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators, a member of the Insurance and Reinsurance Arbitration Society and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He served on the ADR Section of the Pennsylvania Futures Commission and on other state and national ADR related committees and organizations. Mr. Bock also served as an Arbitrator for The International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims.

Mr. Bock was born and raised in Philadelphia. After graduating from Central High School with Barnwell Honors in 1966, he was inducted into The Beta Alpha Psi Honor Society at Temple University, where he received his B.B.A. in 1970. A 1973 graduate of Villanova Law School, and winner of the U.S. Law Week prize for academic excellence, he received his primary mediation training at Harvard Law School in 1990. Since that time he has received and participated in extensive ADR training from numerous nationally respected training programs. Mr. Bock has also taught mediation with faculty from Pepperdine University Law School's renowned Straus Institute.

Mr. Bock is President of the Philadelphia Lawyers Club, a Board Member of Race for the Cure: Susan B. Komen Foundation, trustee of Boys Town of Jerusalem, President of Vassar Square Condominiums, and Chairman of the Radnor Township Housing Appeal Board. He resides in the Penn's Landing area of Philadelphia

CRIMINAL LAW

Forensic Linguist Expert Testimony: What Every Criminal Law Paralegal Needs to Know

Confessions are an essential prosecutorial technique. Combating this technique is an essential part of preparing a defense when a confession is at issue. One of the best ways of disproving the veracity of a confession is through the use of expert testimony, namely a forensic linguist expert. This seminar is designed to provide the criminal law paralegal with solid understanding of the use of a forensic linguist expert witness. Further, Mr. Harris will explore how the paralegal may effectively assist the attorney in locating the forensic linguist, and what information aside from the copy of the confession the expert will need to combat a defense

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Richard R. Harris, Esquire

Richard R. Harris is a partner in the Litigation Department of Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP

His practice focuses on corporate litigation, white-collar defense and complex civil litigation in both federal and state courts. With more than 200 jury trials of experience and as a gifted communicator, Mr. Harris frequently appears on Court TV and Comcast's "It's Your Call" as a guest legal analyst of topical national and local trials. Mr. Harris is also the host of "Court Radio," a weekly legal program broadcast on Radio One's 107.9 FM on Sundays from 10 a.m. to noon.

In January 2008, Mayor Michael Nutter appointed Mr. Harris to the Prison Board of Trustees.

Mr. Harris is best known for serving as lead counsel for Mr. Akhil Bansal in U.S. v. Bansal, et al, the international pharmaceutical cyber crime case. He is also well-known for his successful defense of Mr. Sacon Youk, one of four defendants in the Lex Street Massacre. Charges against Mr. Youk were dropped after prosecutors were persuaded that Mr. Youk and his co-defendants were innocent.

Mr. Harris began practicing in the Defender Association of Philadelphia where he earned the reputation of being an "incredibly skilled trial attorney."

Prior to joining Obermayer, Mr. Harris was a partner in El-Shabazz & Harris LLC where he broadened the scope of the practice to include corporate and civil litigation.

As an athletic administrator, Mr. Harris served as the Executive Director of the M Club Foundation (University of Maryland Athletics Department), and Development Officer, University of Maryland Athletics Department.

Mr. Harris is admitted in Pennsylvania, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Harris earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Pittsburgh where he served as president, Black Law Students Association, Curriculum Committee and Trial Advocacy Award recipient. He received his Bachelor of Arts from University of Maryland where he was a five-year NCAA scholar-athlete in football.

Session II

10:45 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

PRO BONO

How to Handle a Pro Bono Divorce and/or Support Case Part One of Two (Must take both sessions to obtain CLE credit)

This two-part, hands-on workshop will provide paralegals who are interested in working with Philadelphia VIP with the nuts and bolts of handling pro bono divorce and support cases from initial intake through conclusion. This course is designed to take the paralegal through specific fact-based and real life scenarios that will likely come up in representing the needs of Philadelphia's less fortunate. A look at ethical considerations pertaining to divorce and support matters will also be explored. Course trainers and moderator are experienced family law attorneys and paralegal team who have worked on numerous pro-bono divorce and support cases.

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Sara Woods, Esquire Philadelphia VIP

Sara L. Woods, Esq. is privileged to serve as the Executive Director of Philadelphia VIP. Philadelphia VIP is a nonprofit organization dedicated to recruiting and training volunteer attorneys to assist low-income clients with non-fee generating civil matters, as well as non-profit organizations and small businesses through our LawWorks Project. Before joining VIP, she served as the Director of Public Service Careers & Pro Bono Programs at Villanova University School of Law for five years. Prior to her tenure at Villanova, Sara worked as a staff attorney at Women Against Abuse Legal Center and the Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County. Sara received a B.A. with honors from the Pennsylvania State University, a J.D. *cum laude* from Villanova University School of Law, and a Master of Public Administration from Villanova University. After graduating from Penn State, Sara worked as a counselor and advocate at Delaware County Women Against Rape. She is an adjunct Professor at Villanova University School of Law, where she teaches a Public Interest Lawyering course. She serves on the Board of Directors of Women's Way, where she is the Board Secretary and member of the Young Women's Initiative Advisory Board, and as the Vice President of the Lion's Paw Alumni Association Board of Directors. She is also a member of the Advisory Board of the Crime Victims Law Project.

Megan Watson, Esquire Berner & Klaw

Megan Watson, Esquire is a partner in the law firm Berner & Klaw where her practice includes all aspects of family law, divorce and custody mediation, and representation of plaintiffs in personal injury cases arising from domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse. Ms. Watson is a Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association Family Law Section (current) and the Philadelphia Bar Associations where she serves as an Executive Committee Member of the Family Law Section and Co-Chair, Family Law Section Mentoring Committee.

She is a member of the Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Eastern District of Pennsylvania Bars. She earned her Juris Doctorate from Temple University School of Law and was graduated from Muhlenberg College with a B.A. in English, Minor in Women's Studies.

Judy Stouffer - Paralegal

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Judy Stouffer is a senior paralegal with the Philadelphia firm of Berner & Klaw, where she has worked for the past 12 years. She attended the University of Pittsburgh, and has worked in Philadelphia as a paralegal on and off for the past 23 years. Judy is a member of The Philadelphia Association of Paralegals, currently participating on the Pro Bono and Family Law Committees. She was the recipient of the Association's 2007 Pro Bono Award.

Judy regularly volunteers through the Association for the ACLU and PILCOP, and devoted over 75 evening and weekend hours to United Way/The Campaign for Working Families during this past tax season. She has also served as a mentor for student paralegals participating in the Paralegal Studies Program of Community College of Philadelphia.

ETHICS

Ethics and the Paralegal in the 21st Century

This seminar will examine the paralegal's ethical role within the practice of law. Individuals become paralegals through different paths. As such, a uniform understanding of a paralegal's ethical responsibility is essential. Ethical dilemmas may be a daily occurrence for some paralegals. The basics will be reviewed, but the focus of this presentation will examine a paralegal's responsibilities in the context of specific situations. There will be a special focus on ethics and technology related issues. The presentation will provide tips on preventing ethical problems and learning whether an action is ethical. Understanding the attorney's perspective and the paralegal's team member status will be explored. The goal of this seminar is to give the paralegal the tools necessary to work successfully with an attorney in private, public, corporate, government, or in-house settings. Understanding a paralegal's ethical requirements will help ensure and continue the public's trust of the legal profession.

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Carol J. Sherman, J.D. Associate Professor

Legal Studies, Peirce College

Carol J. Sherman received her J.D. degree from Temple University and has been practicing law for over 15 years. She is licensed in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Ms. Sherman started her legal career as an associate attorney at an insurance defense firm and later an associate at a personal injury firm in Philadelphia. She specialized in medical malpractice and other personal injury actions

She is presently an Associate Professor at Peirce College's Legal Studies Program. She teaches online and on campus students in courses such as introduction to paralegal studies, introduction to legal writing, advanced legal writing, advanced legal research, contracts, legal technology, employment law, family law, workers' compensation, associate and bachelor degree capstone, and ethics.

Ms. Sherman is a faculty advisor for Peirce College's Paralegal Student Association.

Prior to joining Peirce College, Ms. Sherman was the Deputy Managing Attorney and Pro Bono Director at Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania where she managed the Elder Law Unit and worked closely with other agencies to provide quality legal care. Her caseload in the elder unit covered a wide range of topics including consumer fraud, landlord tenant issues, social security problems, mortgage foreclosures, contract disputes, guardianship disputes, powers of attorney and wills.

She has served as an adjunct professor for the Legal Nursing Consultant Program and the Paralegal Certificate Program at the University of Delaware. She was also an adjunct professor of Villanova Law School, Clinical Program.

Ms. Sherman is a member of the Philadelphia Bar Association.

TECHNOLOGY

Technology and the Law

As technology advances are made, the use of modern technology in the day-to-day operations of businesses, corporations and legal departments poses new questions, legal issues and hurdles for the legal professional. While the internet, e-mail and other forms of digital technology can be used to a client's advantage, attorneys and paralegals must be prepared and equipped to use cautious foresight before contemplating their use or advising clients on technology issues. This seminar will explore contemporary legal issues raised and how the courts have addressed the issues surrounding recent advances in technology. Moreover, Mr. Davis will discuss how best to avoid problems and quagmires before they are encountered.

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Zachary S. Davis, Esquire

Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP

Zachary S. Davis is an associate with Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP. He is a member of the firm's Litigation Department. Prior to joining Obermayer, Mr. Davis worked at Post & Schell, P.C. He concentrates his area of practice in civil litigation and commercial litigation.

He received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of California at Los Angeles. He earned his Juris Doctor degree, *cum laude*, from Villanova University School of Law.

Mr. Davis is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and before the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Davis has appeared as a guest on Court Radio, a weekly legal talk show hosted by Richard Harris, Esquire.

PATENT LAW

PCT Practice – An Overview and Selected Topics

As commerce becomes more international, United States businesses are increasingly interested in obtaining patent protection abroad, as well as in this country. A preferred route for obtaining international protection, particularly if protection is desired in multiple countries, is to file an application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) rather than immediately filing individual applications in several countries. Additionally, companies sometime decide to simultaneously file a PCT application and a US national application on the same invention so that the two applications can proceed in parallel.

The path of a PCT application is significantly more complex than the path of a US-only application. This complication presents both opportunities and potential pitfalls, particularly when both types of applications are filed in parallel for the same invention. This presentation is intended to give an overview of the PCT process as compared with the US process, and to explore a few selected topics relating to differences between PCT and US-only patent prosecution. Examples of topics currently being considered include:

- (a) the basic PCT timeline for claiming priority, deferring national phase entry, filing optional amendments before national phase entry, requesting preliminary examination reports prior to national phase entry, and entering the national phase in various countries;
- (b) why the inventive entity can be different for purposes of PCT and US applications;
- (c) why the number and type of claims for the same invention may be different in PCT and US applications; and
- (d) what benefits can be obtained by filing PCT and US applications in parallel for the same invention. Note that these topics may be supplemented or modified as the presentation is prepared, so that the overall presentation fits together nicely, but the goal is to provide an overview and broadly useful practice tips for filing and prosecuting PCT applications.

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Larry S. Zelson, Esquire

Drinker Biddle & Reath, LLP

Mr. Larry Zelson is an intellectually property attorney at Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, focusing primarily on obtaining patent and trademark protection for clients and counseling clients in intellectually property portfolio management, validity, infringement, and freedom to practice. He works with a wide range of technologies including internal combustion engine control systems, wound treatment devices, computer cooling systems, vehicle transmissions, athletic equipment, and nanodevices.

Prior to becoming an attorney, Larry worked as a project engineer and engineering consultant for several years, designing and commissioning equipment such as oxy-fuel burners for use in steel mills, bioreactors for use in producing pharmaceuticals, and cryogenic food freezers. He also taught classes in engineering and science at Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Larry is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where he was a legal writing instructor and a member of Law Review. He has graduate degrees in mechanical engineering from Stanford University and an undergraduate degree in mechanical engineering from Carnegie-Mellon University. He holds two issued patents for his own inventions and has another application currently pending.

Session III

2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

PRO BONO

How to Handle a Pro Bono Divorce and/or Support Case Part Two of Two (Must take both sessions to obtain CLE credit)

This two-part, hands-on workshop will provide paralegals who are interested in working with Philadelphia VIP with the nuts and bolts of handling pro bono divorce and support cases from initial intake through conclusion. This course is designed to take the paralegal through specific fact-based and real- life scenarios that will likely come up in representing the needs of Philadelphia's less fortunate. A look at ethical considerations pertaining to divorce and support matters will also be explored. Course trainers and moderator are experienced family law and paralegal team who have worked on hundreds of pro-bono divorce and support cases.

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Sara Woods, Esquire

Philadelphia VIP

Sara L. Woods, Esquire is privileged to serve as the Executive Director of Philadelphia VIP. Philadelphia VIP is a nonprofit organization dedicated to recruiting and training volunteer attorneys to assist low-income clients with non-fee generating civil matters, as well as non-profit organizations and small businesses through our LawWorks Project. Before joining VIP, she served as the Director of Public Service Careers & Pro Bono Programs at Villanova University School of Law for five years. Prior to her tenure at Villanova, Sara worked as a staff attorney at Women Against Abuse Legal Center and the Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County. Sara received a B.A. with honors from the Pennsylvania State University, a J.D. cum laude from Villanova University School of Law, and a Master of Public Administration from Villanova University. After graduating from Penn State, Sara worked as a counselor and advocate at Delaware County Women Against Rape. She is an adjunct Professor at Villanova University School of Law, where she teaches a Public Interest Lawyering course. She serves on the Board of Directors of Women's Way, where she is the Board Secretary and member of the Young Women's Initiative Advisory Board, and as the Vice President of the Lion's Paw Alumni Association Board of Directors. She is also a member of the Advisory Board of the Crime Victims Law Project.

Megan Watson, Esquire

Berner & Klaw

Megan Watson, Esquire is a partner in the law firm Berner & Klaw where her practice includes all aspects of family law, divorce and custody mediation, and representation of plaintiffs in personal injury cases arising from domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse. Ms. Watson is a Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association Family Law Section (current) and the Philadelphia Bar Associations where she serves as an Executive Committee Member of the Family Law Section and Co-Chair, Family Law Section Mentoring Committe.

She is a member of the Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Eastern District of Pennsylvania Bars. She earned her Juris Doctorate from Temple University School of Law and was graduated from Muhlenberg College with a B.A. in English, Minor in Women's Studies.

Judy Stouffer - Paralegal

Berner & Klaw

Judy Stouffer is a senior paralegal with the Philadelphia firm of Berner & Klaw, where she has worked for the past 12 years. She attended the University of Pittsburgh, and has worked in Philadelphia as a paralegal on and off for the past 23 years. Judy is a member of The Philadelphia Association of Paralegals, currently participating on the Pro Bono and Family Law Committees. She was the recipient of the Association's 2007 Pro Bono Award.

Judy regularly volunteers through the Association for the ACLU and PILCOP, and devoted over 75 evening and weekend hours to United Way/The Campaign for Working Families during this past tax season. She has also served as a mentor for student paralegals participating in the Paralegal Studies Program of Community College of Philadelphia.

TRADEMARK

Product Trade Dress – Should it be Protectable?

This fascinating seminar takes an in-depth look at trade dress law. Ms. Miller will carefully examine and analyze key Supreme Court cases that include *Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. v. Samara Brothers, Inc.*, (March 22, 2000), and Qualitex Co. v. Jacobson Products Co., (1995), among others. Further Ms. Miller will survey the Courts' findings of what trade dress has been held protectable versus what has not, focusing on the rationale behind the findings. Ms. Miller will conclude the seminar by addressing the pro and cons of allowing trade dress protection on products.

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Camille Miller, Esquire

Cozen O'Connor

Camille M. Miller joined the Cozen O'Connor firm in April 2002 and is Chair of the Intellectual Property Practice Group. She concentrates her practice in all aspects of intellectual property, specifically trademark, trade dress, copyright, unfair competition, right of privacy, right of publicity, domain names, counterfeiting, licensing, trade secret and franchising law, as well as all areas of intellectual property litigation.

Prior to joining Cozen O'Connor, Camille was a partner with Woodcock Washburn LLP, specializing in all aspects of intellectual property law and litigation. She also served as a law consultant for Hunt Manufacturing, where she was active in reviewing and analyzing intellectual property services and rights.

Camille received her bachelor of arts degree from Franklin & Marshall College and her law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law. She is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and Illinois, is a member of the Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations, the International Trademark Association, the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association, the Copyright Society of the U.S.A., the Intellectual Property Organization, the National Women's Association and the Ben Franklin Inn of Court.

Camille has published numerous articles and has also spoken on trademark and copyright issues for many legal associations. She has taught a lesson for a class at Drexel University's graduate school. She has been named as one of the Women to Watch from Main Line Today, a Lawyer on the Fast Track by the Legal Intelligencer and Pennsylvania Law Weekly, a Pennsylvania "Super Lawyer," and an up and coming intellectual property lawyer by Chambers USA.

MEDICAL LEGAL

Biomedical and Health Information Resources for the Practicing Paralegal Professional

Biomedical and health information comprises a vast body of literature that supports patient care and clinical decision-making; education and training of physicians and health care professionals; scientific research investigation; and consumer health needs of the public. This seminar will introduce attendees to the scope and organization of the biomedical, health, and scientific literature; review and discuss the scope and limits of various formats (print, electronic full-text, interactive, and multi-media). In addition Mr. Taylor and Ms. Kuchan will explore plaintiff's vs. defendant's approach to the literature, and define the role of the professional medical librarian and various types of medical libraries (academic medical center; hospital; virtual, etc.) that are available to paralegals today. In addition, an overview of Medline, PubMed, Docline, and other specialized information products, using live Internet demonstrations will be provided. Discussion on how medical literature can be used as part of the evidence at trial. A Question and Answer Session will follow.

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Mark-Allen Taylor, Esquire

Temple University

Mr. Taylor is the Director of the Health Sciences Libraries of Temple University School of Medicine, where he has served since 1986. He earned his law degree from Temple University School of Law in 2001. He holds his Certificate in Advanced Library Service from Columbia University; a Master of Science Degree from the Simmons College of Library and Information Science, and his Bachelor of Arts, from Plymouth State College. He is a member of the New Jersey and Pennsylvania Bars.

In 1994-2000 and 2001-2006, Mr. Taylor was named a distinguished member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals (A.H.I.P.) by the Medical Library Association.

Barbara L. Kuchan, M.L.S.

Temple University

Barbara Kuchan is the Associate Director for Information Services & Educational Programs, Health Sciences Center Libraries, Temple University, where she directs and manages the public services department of the health sciences center libraries including the main biomedical library in Kresge Hall; the dentistry, pharmacy, health professions library (HSC Library South); and the Charles E. Krausz Library/School of Podiatric Medicine. Ms. Kuchan holds a Master of Science degree in Information Studies from Drexel University, and was graduated from Eastern College, Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She is a member of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Medical Library Association, where she served on its Continuing Education Committee from 2000-2002.

LITIGATION

Web 2.0 - Should You Care? (Part I of II)

The term "Web 2.0" is being thrown around a lot lately. Do you know what it really means? This seminar will focus on free Web sites that fulfill some of the core Web 2.0 principles: the Web as platform ("Cloud Computing"), harnessing collective intelligence, and rich user experiences. This seminar is geared to provide paralegals with a better understanding of the Web, and how more knowledge will enhance creativity and information sharing.

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Dan Giancaterino, MS

Jenkins Law Library

Dan Giancaterino received his MS in 1989 from Drexel University. He joined the staff at Jenkins Law Library in October 2000 and now teaches 9 hands-on, Web-based Continuing Legal Education classes. He is a regular contributor to Jenkins' Web log (*blog.jenkinslaw.org*).

Dan has given Internet presentations at meetings hosted by county bar associations, as well as organizations such as CIGNA, Community College of Philadelphia, Community Legal Services, Dispute Resolution Institute, Garden State Alliance of Paralegal Associations, Greater Philadelphia Law Library Association, Institute for Paralegal Education, Municipal Court of Philadelphia, PALINET, Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Pennsylvania Library Association, Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Judges, the Philadelphia Association of Paralegals, Philadelphia Daily News, and SEPTA. On many occasions Dan has discussed Web searching on The Michael Smerconish Morning Show, The Glenn Beck Program, and Bill O'Reilly's Radio Factor on The Big Talker, WPHT 1210 AM. He is also a contributing editor to the popular search blog ResourceShelf (*resourceshelf.com*).

Session IV

3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

LITIGATION

Ethics in the Electronic Age (Part II of II)

The PA Rules of Professional Conduct state that "A lawyer must act competently to safeguard information relating to the representation of a client against inadvertent or unauthorized disclosure." Today's technology makes this even more important, yet at the same time more difficult. In this class, you will learn: techniques to protect your firm from viruses, worms, Trojan horses, spyware, and phishing attacks; about security and privacy risks associated with Webbased tools from Google and others; how to manage personal information such as Web history, cached pages, passwords, etc.; what metadata is and how you can remove it from your documents

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IMMIGRATION

The ABC's of Immigration

This presentation will introduce the four main categories of immigration law practice, business immigration, family immigration, asylee/refugee law, and immigration litigation. Key concepts will be defined and explained, including the difference between immigrant and non-immigrant status, the various types and purposes of non-immigrant visas, and what a "green card" really is and how one is obtained. The presentation will explain the roles of various government departments, including the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of State, and the Department of Labor. The discussion will include insight into timely topics including illegal immigration and employment, immigration enforcement, and congressional immigration reform.

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Lisa Felix, Esquire Blank Rome LLP

Lisa Felix represents corporate and educational clients who seek to hire or transfer foreign employees, as well as foreign individuals seeking employment in the United States as scientists, highly skilled professionals, executives, managers, and artists.

Before practicing as an attorney, Ms. Felix worked extensively in higher education, providing immigration and student/scholar services at the University of Pennsylvania, the State University of New York at Buffalo, and at Southern Illinois University–Carbondale's branch campus in Niigata, Japan. As a Designated School Official and Alternate Responsible Officer, she advised academic and administrative departments, foreign faculty, and students in the areas of hiring, enrollment, non-resident tax compliance, and academic, cross-cultural and personal concerns.

Ms. Felix is an active member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and of NAFSA: Association of International Educators

Ms. Felix volunteers for the Philadelphia VIP low income tax clinic and for AILA's National Citizenship Day.

CORPORATE LAW

Filings Under the Federal Securities Laws

This presentation will cover filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the role of the corporate paralegal in assisting with the preparation and review of such filings. Mr. Guarcini will provide an overview of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the contents of the forms most commonly filed with the SEC, including registration statements, periodic reports (10-Ks, 10-Qs, 8-Ks, etc.) and proxy statements. Mr. Guarcini will also review the legal and technical requirements for filings under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The presentation will also cover regulatory changes which have had an impact on securities filings, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, recent SEC initiatives, and changes by self-regulatory organizations and stock exchanges.

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Gerald J. Guarcini, Esquire Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP

Gerald J. Guarcini is a partner in the Business & Finance Department, co-Vice Chair of the Securities Group and a member of the Mergers & Acquisitions/Private Equity Group and Life Sciences/Technology Group. His experience includes general corporate and securities law, including business acquisitions and mergers, private equity, and venture capital transactions, while his securities work focuses on all types of securities offerings of debt and equity to initial public offerings, tender offers and private investments in public equity (PIPEs).

Mr. Guarcini has written about and spoken on a variety of securities law issues. He has written articles for several trade publications, and serves as one of the planners for a Continuing Legal Education course on annual disclosure documents. Mr. Guarcini serves on the Finance Committee of the Samuel S. Fleisher Art Memorial, a Philadelphia-based nonprofit organization that offers art classes at low or no cost to children and adults.

Mr. Guarcini is listed in The Best Lawyers in America.

Mr. Guarcini is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School (B.S. 1982) and Villanova University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1987) where he was a member of *Law Review* and the Order of the Coif.

TECHNOLOGY

Best Practices in E-Discovery

While there are new decisions and opinions in E-Discovery everyday, Best Practices remain the best guide for important E-Discovery decisions. In this session, we will cover the details behind the decisions of data acquisition and computer forensics. Paralegals will learn the options, choices and reasons for them that lurk behind the decisions. Mr. Merlino will address questions fielded from participants related to their case specific data acquisition and computer forensic issues.

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Anthony Merlino, Director

DTI's Consulting and Forensics

Anthony J. Merlino. Mr. Merlino is the Director of DTI's Consulting and Forensics practice. Mr. Merlino specializes in leading matters that involve planning, secure collection and review of electronically stored information. For 15 years, he has led computer forensic and investigative services in connection with numerous legal actions as well as internal investigations, HSR second requests, audit committee inquiries and regulatory agency investigations pertaining to theft of intellectual property, financial reporting frauds, employee embezzlements, backdating of stock option grants and employee kickbacks. Such services include analysis of information systems, discovery consulting, computer forensics, e-mail and user file analysis, e-file processing, document review, backup media analysis and restoration addressing the diverse needs of clients. He previously worked for LECG, Westchester Consulting, Deloitte and DuPont Legal.





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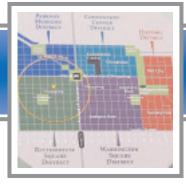
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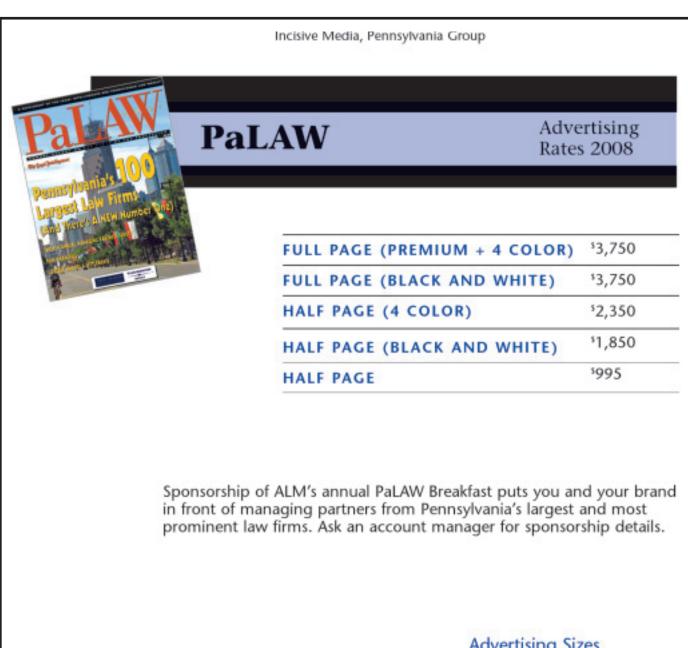
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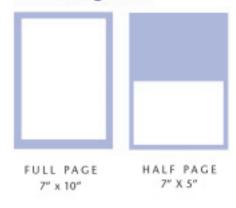
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Ethics: The Paralegal in	n the 21st Century	Dijon
Instructor: Carol J. Sh	erman, Associate Professor	
Technology: Technolog Instructor: Zachary S.	y and the Law Davis, Esquire	Cannes
Patent Law: PCT Prac	tice	Bordeaux
Instructor: Larry S. Ze	elson, Esquire	
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