

THE SEMINAR

8:30–9:00 a.m.
CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00–9:05 a.m.
WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

The Big Picture – A 50,000 Foot View of a Civil Case in Minnesota State Court

- How a typical case proceeds from start to finish
- How to stay focused on the big picture throughout the case
- How does your client fit into this big picture?
- How to level the playing field when the opposing counsel is more experienced
- How does AI fit into all of the above?

– Uyen T. Campbell

Pleadings – How to Manage the Rules, Keep Track of the Timelines & Tell Your Client's Story

- What the rules require regarding content, form, signing, service and filing, and timing of pleadings
- Tips for using a complaint or an answer as an effective tool to tell the court your client's story

– Wilbur W. Fluegel

10:35–10:45 a.m.
BREAK

Disclosures Under Minnesota Rule of Civil Procedure 26.01

- What information do the rules require to be disclosed?
- When must disclosures take place?
- What format must disclosures follow?

– Brandie Morgenroth

– Leah Kippola-Friske

Written Discovery – How to Make Informed, Strategic Discovery Requests and Responses

- How to draft effective requests that are targeted to your discovery plan and that comply with timing, form, and scope requirements
- How to respond to discovery requests, including permissible objections
- When to seek a protective order
- What happens when there's a discovery dispute

– Gregory J. Duncan

11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Depositions – How to Make the Most of Depositions

- Tips and strategies in preparing for and conducting fact and expert depositions
- Tips for preparing your clients and third-party witnesses
- Tips for dealing with hostile witnesses and/or opposing counsel
- Tips for handling privilege issues
- Proper and improper objections

– Kendra E. Olson

12:15–1:00 p.m.

LUNCH BREAK (ON YOUR OWN)

1:00–1:45 p.m.

Trial – Preparation, Strategies, and More

- Tips and strategies to be ready for the trial
- Tips for preparing your clients and third-party witnesses
- Tips for dealing with hostile witnesses and/or opposing counsel

– Bryce M. Miller

1:45–2:30 p.m.

Motions – Key Rules, Strategy, and Practical Considerations

- Procedural requirements
- Strategic and practical considerations
- Oral argument technique

– Kelly C. Engebretson

– Matthew P. Kostolnik

2:30–2:45 p.m.

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2:45–3:30 p.m.

Mediation – Framework, Setting Expectations & Potential Resolution

- What to expect and what to tell your client to expect
- How mediators are selected
- Who is responsible for paying the mediator
- What information should you share with the mediator
- What happens if the dispute is resolved at mediation

– Justice James H. Gilbert

– Judge Phillip Carruthers

3:30–4:15 p.m.

Ethical Considerations in Civil Cases

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- Common pitfalls and how to avoid them

– Karin Ciano

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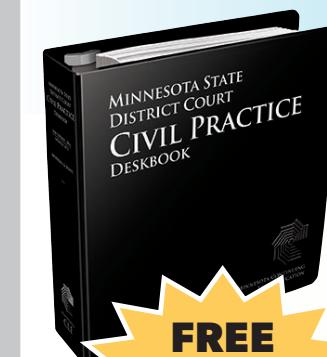
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