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12:20 – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH BREAK (on attendees' own)

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Minimizing Litigation Risk Through Contract Provisions and Best Practices for Working with Litigation Counsel

– *Mark Privratsky*

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Understanding In-House Counsel's Role in Managing Risks

– *Michael L. Dolan*

3:00 – 3:10 p.m.

BREAK

3:10 – 4:10 p.m.

Elimination of Bias: Ways to Address and Eliminate Bias in Hiring

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– *Terran C. Chambers*

– *Katy Rollins*

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 – 9:05 a.m.

Welcome and Introduction

– *Patrick E. Midden, Course Chair*

9:05 – 10:05 a.m.

Choosing and Effectively Using Legal AI Tools

– *Sarah Fercho*

10:05 – 11:05 a.m.

Employee Contracts and Employee Handbooks – Best Practices for Managing Employees' Legal Obligations to the Company

– *Briana Al Taqatqa*

– *David G. Waytz*

11:05 – 11:20 a.m.

BREAK

11:20 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Managing an IP Portfolio – A Practical Look at Protecting Critical Assets and Sharpening Portfolio Focus

– *Dena M. Ehrich*