

# COURSE INFORMATION

**Ethics in Everyday Practice: Protecting Client Confidences; Navigating Loss; and Attorney Discipline Matters**  
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

**Trauma-Informed Lawyering and Representing Muslim Clients**  
1:00 – 3:05 p.m.

**Mental Health and Substance Use – ADHD in the Legal Profession**  
3:15 – 4:20 p.m.

**LIVE IN PERSON**  
**Tuesday, August 25, 2026**  
**Minnesota CLE Conference Center**  
600 Nicollet Mall, Suite 370  
Third Floor City Center, Minneapolis

**ONLINE REPLAYS**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2026**  
**Thursday, September 24, 2026**  
View online at [www.minncle.org](http://www.minncle.org)  
A moderator will be available to answer questions by email.

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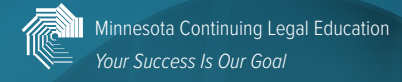


DATED MATERIAL – PLEASE EXPEDITE!



<b>ETHICS</b>	<b>ELIMINATION OF BIAS</b>	<b>MENTAL HEALTH &amp; SUBSTANCE USE</b>
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## ETHICS

### Ethics in Everyday Practice: Protecting Client Confidences; Navigating Loss; and Attorney Discipline Matters

*Satisfy your 3-hour ethics education requirement*

## ELIMINATION OF BIAS

### Trauma-Informed Lawyering and Representing Muslim Clients

*Satisfy your 2-hour elimination of bias education requirement*

## MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE USE

### Mental Health and Substance Use – ADHD in the Legal Profession

*Satisfy your 1-hour mental health and substance use education requirement*

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**CAN'T ATTEND THE LIVE SEMINAR?**  
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8:30 – 9:00 a.m. CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 – 9:05 a.m. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

9:05 – 10:05 a.m.

**Ethics: Protecting Client Confidences – Lessons from 10 New Attorney-Client Privilege Cases**

– Jennifer R. Coates  
Dorsey & Whitney LLP; Minneapolis

10:05 – 10:10 a.m. BREAK

10:10 – 11:10 a.m.

**The Grieving Attorney: Navigating Loss Without Losing Your Way**

Lawyers are not exempt from the personal losses that affect all human beings, whether it's the death of a loved one, the end of a relationship, a health diagnosis, or the loss of identity tied to work. Yet the demands of legal practice often leave little space to grieve. This program explores the grief experience in its many forms, offering insight into types of grief, the grief process, and the toll it can take on a lawyer's ability to fulfill ethical duties. Through the lens of attorney ethics, we will examine how grief may impact competence, diligence, communication, and client care. The session will highlight relevant rules of professional conduct and other practical strategies for navigating grief with compassion—for ourselves and others—while upholding our responsibilities. We'll also explore ways to create space for meaning, connection, and healing within a demanding profession.

– Sarah M. MacGillis  
Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers; Saint Paul

11:10 – 11:15 a.m. BREAK

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

**A Year in Review: Update on Attorney Discipline Matters**

This session will discuss important recent ethics cases and trends. Learn what has changed so you can stay informed for the upcoming year.

– Krista Barrie  
Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility; Saint Paul  
– Jennifer Novak  
Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility; Saint Paul

12:30 – 1:00 p.m. CHECK-IN

1:00 – 1:05 p.m. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

1:05 – 2:05 p.m.

**Trauma-Informed Lawyering as Bias Reduction**

A history of trauma can have long term consequences that affect the way individuals communicate, remember events, carry themselves, interact with their attorneys and appear as witnesses. This CLE explores how our role as attorneys requires that we learn to decipher ambiguous behavior and ask compassionate and understanding questions of these clients. We will explore trauma informed interviewing procedures to adopt practices that make space for our clients to tell their stories and feel heard. We will also discuss bias that can show up during the intake process, case development, and trial strategy. Finally, we'll help participants understand how their ethical obligations require them to understand and employ trauma-informed practices as part of their professional competency and in doing so, avoid further harm to their clients.

– Sarah M. MacGillis  
Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers; Saint Paul

2:05 – 3:05 p.m.

**Understanding Islam and Representing Muslim Clients**

Recognizing and navigating cultural differences is essential in the legal profession, where communication and interpersonal interaction are at the heart of our work with clients and colleagues. This presentation will help lawyers understand Islam, learn intercultural and religious differences, and avoid implicit bias in the practice of law.

– Imani S. Jaafar  
Best Buy; Minneapolis

3:05 – 3:15 p.m. CHECK-IN

3:15 – 3:20 p.m. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

3:20 – 4:20 p.m.

**ADHD in the Legal Profession: Challenges and Strategies for Success**

According to a 2016 ABA study, lawyers self-report being diagnosed with ADHD at a rate approximately two to three times higher than the general population—yet the condition remains widely misunderstood in legal workplaces. This presentation offers an informed, firsthand perspective on what ADHD looks like in practice, drawing on the experience of a lawyer who received his diagnosis six years into his career. Attendees will gain a clearer understanding of what ADHD is, how it manifests in legal settings, and how to adapt to it in practice. The session is designed to be valuable both for attorneys navigating ADHD themselves and for colleagues and supervisors working with them.

– Jacob C. Harksen  
Louis Marshall O'Brien, P.A.; Minneapolis

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\$155 paralegal  
\$175 standard rate

**ELIMINATION OF BIAS TUITION:**

\$115 MSBA member  
\$115 paralegal  
\$135 standard rate

**MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE TUITION:**

\$65 MSBA member  
\$65 paralegal  
\$65 standard rate

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