

Get Connected 2007: Kansas City Solo & Small Firm Conference

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Sponsored by the KCMBA Solo Practitioner/Small Firms Committee

Friday, October 12, 2007

Location: Lantz Welch Education Center
KCMBA Headquarters,
1125 Grand Blvd., Suite 400
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Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Seminar: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

6.0 CLE Hours including 1.0 Ethics Hour in Missouri
3.0 CLE Hours including 1.0 Ethics Hour in Kansas

Fees: \$75 for KCMBA Members
\$125 for Non-members

Secrets of a Small Firm Success (1.0 Hour in MO)

Premier small firm lawyers in Kansas City will share with you "how they did it." These attorneys are at the top of their game and will offer a nugget or two of wisdom to you!

J.R. Hobbs, *Wyrsch Hobbs & Mirakian, PC*

Anita Porte Robb, *Robb & Robb, LLC*

James W. Tippin, *James W. Tippin & Associates*

Planning and Financing Your Law Firm (1.0 Hour in MO)

Business planning and financing? When did they teach us that in law school? Hear from an expert in start up business to learn of free resources available in Kansas City and a Private Banking Officer to prepare you for securing business loans for your firm.

Mark R. Allen, *First National Bank*

Cary Clark, *KC SourceLink*

Case Management Software Comparison: FastCase and Casemaker (1.0 Hour in MO)

Free on-line legal resources? The Missouri Bar and Kansas Bar Association now offer these services for FREE. Hear from some technically-savvy attorneys on how to navigate these websites as well as case management programs to make your life easier.

Christopher E. Kopecky, *Kopecky Law, PA*

Arthur Shaffer, *Intellectual Property Center*

Small Group Breakout Sessions (choose 2 sessions) (2.0 Hours in MO & KS)

Preparing for Litigation in the Digital Age

This presentation will focus on some of the revealing things that can be found with a computer forensic analysis, challenges attorneys face with reviewing E-discovery and how to handle and produce electronic evidence to avoid common pitfalls and comply with the rules.

James L. Moeller, *Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP*

Totta's Traffic Tips

Traffic tickets and DUIs are a huge part of the practice for many solo and small firms. Hear from an experienced litigator to learn how to deal with these issues.

Anthony Totta, *Law Offices of Anthony M. Totta*

You are now entering the "Discovery Zone"

Considered by many as the most important phase of the case, hear from two trial attorneys about how to properly prepare your case in order to avoid scheduling and evidentiary pitfalls.

Randy W. James, *Randy W. James & Associates, PC*

Joseph M. Backer, *The Backer Law Firm, LLC*

When Disaster Strikes...

What do you do if your office burns down? What happens if your file room floods? What if your computers crash? What do you do if the senior partner suffers a fatal heart attack? Learn how to handle and prepare for an unforeseen disaster.

Sylvester 'Sly' James Jr., *Sly James Firm, The Trial Lawyers, PC*

Staffing and Ethics (1.0 CLE Hours and 1.0 Ethics Hour in MO & KS)

In this day and age, staffing and employer/employee matters are a hot area of litigation. Hear from an employment expert on how to protect your firm from potential non-compliance issues.

William C. Martucci, *Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP*

Professional Connections (no credit available)

Professional networking is critical to the advancement of your law firm. Learn from two up and coming lawyers on how to get involved and make a difference.

Walter M. Brown, *Gaddy Geiger & Brown PC*

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Why should you attend the Solo & Small Firm Conference?

KCMBA is proud to present our 2nd Annual Solo & Small Firms Conference. Although this is not a new idea, we have customized this conference specifically for Kansas City area attorneys. You will learn from experienced KCMBA members who have started their own solo or small firm practices as well as network with these attorneys.

This conference will help you get connected with new technology, unique marketing strategies, and learn effective ways to run a small firm. The biggest advantage to attending this conference is the opportunity to associate with your peers in the small firm community. You will be able to discuss new ideas and address common issues with other attorneys during the continental breakfast, networking luncheon, "high speed connection", a conference social as well as numerous session breaks.

This conference will also keep you connected with your CLE credit hours in Kansas and Missouri through seminars about staffing and ethics, traffic law, e-discovery, planning and financing and disaster recovery issues.

This is much more than a CLE event; it's a vital tool that Kansas City area attorneys can use to expand their practice into a thriving firm in the legal community.

Moderators: **Lauren Perkins Allen**, *Chair*
Amanda Pennington Ketchum, *Vice-chair*

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