

2016 Summer Training Program Thursdays in July & August

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Course Descriptions

Thursday, July 14, 2016

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

DEFENDING THE JUVENILE DRUG CASE

Presenters:

**Edward Shacklee,
Staff Attorney, Juvenile Division**

**Matthew Lemke, Staff Attorney,
Trial Division**

Juvenile defense attorneys have gained important tactical or substantive advantages by seeking discovery and challenging the chemist's opinion in drug cases. The government's failure to comply with court-ordered discovery may provide grounds to preclude evidence or dismiss charges that otherwise seem unwinnable. This session intends to make lawyers not only capable of litigating drug-related discovery issues and cross-examining the chemist, but comfortable enough to do so in every case.

Thursday, July 21, 2016

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

NAVIGATING THE SOCIAL MEDIA WORLD

Presenters:

**Blase Kearney,
Staff Attorney, Trial Division**

**Carolyn Mehrtens, Staff Investigator,
Investigations Division**

Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat – social media can offer a wealth of valuable information for the defense, but only if it can be presented properly. Come to this session to learn about methods of searching social media sites, capturing information in a verifiable manner, and best practices for using social media sites and information in your investigation and trial.

Thursday, July 28, 2016

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

LITIGATING POLICE MISCONDUCT

Presenters:

Blase Kearney,
Staff Attorney, Trial Division

Jeffrey Stein, Staff Attorney,
Trial Division

Emily Voshell, Staff Attorney,
Special Litigation Division

This session will cover discovery, litigation, and trial strategies related to police misconduct. The presenters will discuss the different types of police misconduct information that exist and how to obtain that information, through both investigation and discovery. The session will cover techniques for obtaining such materials in advance of trial and using that information effectively during trial through cross-examination and presentation of extrinsic evidence.

Thursday, August 4, 2016

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

HOT TOPICS ASSOCIATED WITH THE USE OF VIDEO IN TRAFFIC CASES

Presenters:

Bryan W. Brown, Esq.,
Law Office of Bryan W. Brown

Thomas A. Key, Esq.,
Law Office of Thomas A. Key

Come to this session to learn how to use video at trial to impeach an officer's version of events, provide evidence of officer misconduct, and how to use it to demonstrate your client's sobriety. Additionally, the presenters will discuss how to establish a foundation for video admissibility, and how to use it to mount a host of affirmative defenses. Finally, the session will cover procedural issues such as protective order issues, tape over periods, and motions for sanctions when the video disappears.

To REGISTER and learn more about this training program, please visit www.pdsdc.org. Registration closes on Friday, July 1, 2016.

All sessions are free. Evening sessions will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m.

The doors to the building will close at 6:00 p.m. Participants arriving after that time will not be granted entrance.

All sessions will run for two (2) hours. D.C. CLE credit will be authorized accordingly.

Claire T. Roth, Program Chair
Kirsten Hubschmann, Program Manager

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