

**SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL STATEWIDE
ETHICS SYMPOSIUM
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – LOS ANGELES**



***Ethics 2013: Doing Good, Being Bad,
Going Public, Being Sad***

Presented by

**The State Bar of California Committee on
Professional Responsibility and Conduct**

**Saturday, April 20, 2013
9:30 am to 5:15 pm**

**UCLA School of Law
385 Charles E. Young Dr., East
Law Building, Classroom 1347 & 1357
Los Angeles, CA 90095**

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6 Hours of MCLE Credit in Legal Ethics

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8:30 – 9:30 am REGISTRATION

9:30 – 9:45 am

WELCOMING REMARKS

Neil J Wertlieb: Chair, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct

Rachel F. Moran: Dean, UCLA School of Law

9:45 – 11:15 am

DOING GOOD MADE EASY (OR AT LEAST EASIER): ETHICAL ISSUES ARISING IN PRO BONO REPRESENTATIONS

This panel will examine the ethical issues that arise when lawyers "do good," by assisting needy clients on a pro bono basis. This distinguished panel of pro bono professionals will discuss ethical issues that often arise in pro bono representations, such as conflicts of interest, competency, communication, supervision and confidentiality. The panel will also explore sensitive client issues, such as diminished capacity, managing client expectations, and withdrawal.

Neil J Wertlieb: Moderator; Chair, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Partner, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP, Los Angeles; Adjunct Professor, UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles

Renée Glover Chantler: Pro Bono Counsel, DLA Piper, East Palo Alto

Scott Cummings: Professor of Law, UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles; Faculty Chair, Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy

Amos Harston: Chief Counsel & Director of Legal Services, Inner City Law Center, Los Angeles

Toby J. Rothschild: Member, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; General Counsel, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, Los Angeles

11:15 – 11:30 am BREAK

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

BREAKING UP IS HARD TO DO: ETHICAL ISSUES ARISING IN LAW FIRM DISSOLUTIONS AND PARTNER WITHDRAWALS

This panel will examine thorny issues that arise when lawyers and law firms "break up"; when partners leave their firms, and when law firms dissolve. The experienced practitioners on the panel will discuss the ethical limitations that govern what lawyers can and cannot do when they leave a firm, including notifications to clients and others, "grabbing" clients and matters, retrieving work product, and handling client files. The panel will also consider the complex ethical issues that arise when law firms dissolve, including the impact of law firm bankruptcies and the implications on a lawyer's ability to meet their duties to their clients.

Merri A. Baldwin: Moderator; Member, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Shareholder, Rogers, Joseph O'Donnell, San Francisco

Cecily Dumas: Partner, Dumas & Clark LLP, San Francisco

Scott Garner: Member, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Partner, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP, Irvine

Pamela Phillips: Partner, Arnold & Porter LLP, San Francisco

1:00 – 1:30 PM LUNCH

1:30 – 2:00 pm

**2013 HARRY B. SONDEHEIM PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
AWARD RECIPIENT & KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

PAUL W. VAPNEK

Presented by

Patrick Kelly, President, State Bar of California

2:00 – 3:30 pm

**STICKS AND STONES MAY BREAK YOUR BONES, BUT YOUR OWN WORDS (AND CONDUCT) MIGHT
REALLY HURT YOU**

This panel will examine the ethical issues that arise when lawyers cross the line from aggressive lawyering to uncivil or unprofessional conduct resulting in sanctions, contempt orders, reporting to the Bar, and more. This distinguished panel of ethics attorneys and two Los Angeles Superior Court trial judges will discuss these issues from an ethics perspective and will look at real-life recent instances of courts taking steps to address attorneys' lack of civility and professionalism.

Wendy Wen Yun Chang: Co-Moderator; Vice Chair, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Partner, Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP, Los Angeles

Alison Buchanan: Co-Moderator; Member, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Shareholder, Hoge, Fenton, Jones & Appel, Inc., San Jose

Hon. Lawrence H. Cho: Judge, Superior Court of Los Angeles County

Hon. Holly Fujie: Judge, Superior Court of Los Angeles County; Former President, State Bar of California

Ellen Pansky: Partner, Pansky Markle Ham LLP, South Pasadena

3:30 – 3:45 pm **BREAK**

3:45 – 5:15 pm

LOOSE LIPS SINK SHIPS: MEDIA, CONFIDENTIALITY AND TRIAL PUBLICITY

This panel will address the specific legal and ethical rules that govern what lawyers can legally and ethically say to the press about a big case. They will cover permissible statements in and out of the courtroom, and the ethical recourse you may have in responding to unfair adverse publicity. Gag orders, due process issues, and both the California Rules of Professional Conduct and the ABA Model Rules will be addressed. This panel will also consider the practical reality of how ethical dilemmas involving trial publicity commonly arise, how to see them coming, and how they can be addressed.

Wendy L. Patrick: Moderator; Advisor, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Deputy District Attorney, San Diego

Hon. Judith C. Chirlin, Ret.: Retired Los Angeles Superior Court Judge; Executive Director, Western Justice Center

Mark Geragos: Partner, Law Office of Geragos & Geragos, Los Angeles

Laurie L. Levenson: Professor of Law; William M. Rains Fellow; David W. Burcham Chair in Ethical Advocacy; Director of the Center for Legal Advocacy at Loyola Law School, Los Angeles

REGISTRATION AND TRAVEL INFORMATION

MCLE CREDIT

This program offers up to 6 hours of MCLE credit in legal ethics. The State Bar of California and the Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct are approved State Bar of California MCLE providers.

ONLINE REGISTRATION is available by visiting www.calbar.org/ethics-symposium.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION is limited and subject to availability. Please register in advance.

QUESTIONS

For registration questions, please call 415.538.2508. For program content, please call 415.538.2167.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE Please call 415.538.2167.

HOTEL INFORMATION

No special block of rooms has been arranged for this one-day event. Visit the following website for information on lodging near the UCLA campus:
<http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/Tours/Accommodations.htm>.

AIRPORT

The closest major airport to UCLA is the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From Downtown Los Angeles:

Take the 10 Freeway westbound to the 405 Freeway northbound. Follow 405 Freeway northbound to Sunset Blvd. Exit. Exit Sunset Blvd., heading East (turn right). Take Sunset Blvd. to Hilgard Ave. (Hilgard Ave. is at the northeast corner of the campus). Turn right on Hilgard Ave. Follow Hilgard Ave. to the Westholme Dr. (second light) entrance to the campus. Turn right on Westholme Dr. The parking kiosk is immediately on the right.

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VISITOR PARKING

Visitors may purchase all-day (daily) parking permits (\$11.00) at the parking kiosk on campus. We recommend that you park in Parking Structure P2. Walk along Charles E. Young Drive, up from P2 to the Law School, the entrance of which is located on Dickson Court.

