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# Deposition Skills workshop

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Your success with depositions directly impacts the outcome of your case and your career. An all-star faculty of top litigators helps you master skills with hands-on practice. Get immediate feedback as you practice depositions. Ask better questions. Employ smarter strategies. Sharpen your witness evaluation skills. Learn to develop your own style—all in a judgment-free environment. There's no other training like it in Michigan. Hurry—registration is limited to the first 56 attendees.

#### Benefits of Attending:

- Get personal guidance from leading litigators in a small group setting
- Gain skills quickly with a two-day format and easy, online preparation
- Practice taking depositions of all kinds of witnesses, including experts
- Work with real court reporters who provide valuable feedback during practice depositions
- Develop sound deposition question strategies with the use of a mock case
- Gain winning cross-examination techniques

# Get Started at Home

Advance online preparation required. You are required to spend 2-4 hours prior to the workshop viewing video demonstrations, reviewing the case file, and preparing for cross-examining the plaintiff and defendant in depositions.

#### **TRAINERS**



Cameron J. Evans Evans Law Group PC, Rochester

Cameron is a top employment law practitioner in Michigan, defending many types of companies. He founded a successful solo firm in 2015 after 15-plus years as a partner with Honigman, Miller, Schwartz, and Cohn (where he was leader of the employment litigation group).



Barbara A. Patek Law Office of Barbara A. Patek PLC, *Lake Orion* 

Barbara has nearly 30 years of trial and appellate experience and has been a presenter at ICLE deposition skills seminars for nearly 20 years. She is also a contributor to *Damages and Remedies in Michigan*, a recently revised ICLE book that is critical for litigators.

#### Schedule

#### Thursday, September 20, 2018

8:00am

## Continental Breakfast and Registration

8:30am

## Welcome and Small Group Discussions

Discuss the key areas you intend to explore and the key documents you intend to use for each Day 1 witness.

9:25am

# Taking and Defending a Lay Witness Deposition: A Plaintiff

Go on the record with a court reporter. Cross-examine and observe others cross-examining plaintiff Laura McCarthy.

11:30am

#### Networking Lunch

12:40pm

# Taking and Defending a Fact Witness Deposition

Go on the record with a court reporter. Cross-examine and observe others cross-examining fact witness Eleanor Lambert. 2:20pm

# Taking and Defending a Lay Witness Deposition: A Defendant

Go on the record with a court reporter. Cross-examine and observe others cross-examining defendant Paul Krause.

4:05pm

#### Mini-Lecture and Demo: Deposing the Expert Witness

Explore the key differences between deposing a fact witness and expert witness. Examine the planning required and techniques used, as well as what strategies work and why, in an expert witness deposition.

5:00pm

#### **Networking Reception**

#### Friday, September 21, 2018

8:00am

## Continental Breakfast and Registration

8:30am

#### Faculty Demonstration and Analysis: Deposing the Defendant and Defending the Deposition

Compare your deposition experience to the experts' demonstration. Identify tactics and lines of questioning they choose to support their case.

9:10am

#### Taking and Defending an Expert Witness Deposition: Economic Loss

Go on the record with a court reporter. Crossexamine and observe others cross-examining the expert economist witness.

12:00pm

#### Networking Lunch

1:00pm

#### Mini Lecture: Preparing the Witness for Deposition

A successful deposition happens only when the lawyer and the witness are prepared. Explain the law, the process, and what to expect to alleviate anxiety and improve the outcome.

1:30pm

#### How to Deal with Commonly Faced Deposition Ethics Challenges

Through an interactive discussion, anticipate, avoid, and manage common ethical dilemmas in depositions.

2:30pm

#### Taking and Defending an Expert Witness Deposition: Emotional Distress

Go on the record with a court reporter. Cross-examine and observe others cross-examining the medical expert.

#### Practice Taking Depositions. Engage in Hands-On Exercises.

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