

SPANGENBERG TRIAL PRACTICE AND LITIGATION INSTITUTE 2023

The Anatomy of a Trial in a Post-Covid World

Friday, December 8, 2023 | 8:00am—5:30pm

5.75 Total CLE Credit Hours (4.75 hrs general; 1 hr ethics)

Registration Fee: \$250

100% of your registration fee will be donated to The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland

- 8:00am—9:00am **FULL BREAKFAST PROVIDED**
- 9:00am—9:15am **Opening Remarks from The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland**
- 9:15am—10:15am **The George Floyd Trial—Evaluating Police Use-of-Force Cases and Identifying Constitutional Violations**
Special presentation by one of the police use-of-force experts who testified in the George Floyd trial, Seth Stoughton; a former police officer turned lawyer, law professor, author, and one of the preeminent experts on police use-of-force in the country
Seth W. Stoughton and Jeremy Tor
- 10:15am—10:45am **Getting to Know Your Post-Covid Jurors—How to Run Effective Focus Groups and Mock Trials for Under \$1,500, a Step-By-Step Guide**
Dustin Herman
- 10:45 am—11:15am **Jury Selection in 2023 and Beyond—Navigating the Ethical Landmines When Conducting Voir Dire and Doing Online Research Into Your Jurors—Do’s and Don’ts**
Special presentation by a Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Judge
- 11:15 am—11:45am **Q&A Session on Jury Selection—Insights from the Bench: What Makes for a Great Voir Dire?**
Moderated by Nick DiCello
- 11:45 am—12:00pm **Technology for Depositions—Are You Not Entertained?!**
Dustin B. Herman and Dave Tackla—Tackla Court Reporting and Videographer
- 12:00pm—1:00pm **LUNCH PROVIDED**

- 1:00pm—1:30pm **Opening Statement—Visualizing the Story to Frame Your Case and Undermine the Defenses**
Stuart Scott
- 1:30pm—2:00pm **Direct Examination—Showing the Story: Helping Your Client and Your Experts Connect with the Jury**
Dennis Lansdowne
- 2:00pm—2:15pm **Artificial Intelligence—Tips for Keeping Your Firm on the Cutting Edge**
Alex McLaughlin—Filevine
- 2:15pm—2:30pm **BREAK**
- 2:30pm—3:15pm **Expert Witnesses—How Jurors View So-Called “Experts” In a Post-Covid World and What You Should Be Doing in Selecting, Preparing, and Presenting Your Experts**
Michael Lewis
Kevin Hulick
Heather Thomas
- 3:15pm—4:00pm **Cross Examination—Preparation for Cross at Trial Starts with Preparing for Cross at Deposition: Strategies for Setting Their Experts Up for Failure**
Stuart Scott
Jeremy Tor
- 4:00pm—4:30pm **Closing Arguments—The Ethics of a Good Closing Argument and What You Can and Can’t Say in Ohio**
Nicholas DiCello
Jeremy Tor
Dennis Lansdowne
- 4:30pm—5:30pm **COCKTAIL & NETWORKING RECEPTION**