



Tips for the Trade: How to Make Your Appeals More Appealing

2016 Appellate Practice Section Annual Meeting

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Friday, September 30, 2016
NC Bar Center, Cary

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Planned by the NCBA Appellate Practice Section

SUMMARY: Whether you are an appellate specialist or merely dabble in the appeals process, it is always helpful to get tips about how to hone your appellate skills. This program is designed to provide practical advice for anyone who practices before North Carolina's state and federal appellate courts. With tips that span the entire process—including research, writing and oral argument—it is sure to appeal to a wide range of practitioners. Earn one hour of ethics credit and learn how to:

- Expand research capabilities with new resources
- Understand the role of public policy
- Draft more effective briefs
- Present a persuasive oral argument

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Program Agenda



Friday, September 30, 2016, 8:30a–4:30p

8:30a **Registration**

8:55 **Welcome and Introductions**
Kip D. Nelson

9:00 **Next Generation Research Tools**
Jennifer L. Behrens

Still stuck using those old books? Find out about resources other than Westlaw and LexisNexis that can assist you in your research. Discover the new world of Fastcase, Ravel Law and Casetext—and how they can make your life easier.

9:45 **The Role of Public Policy**
Jonathan Y. Ellis

Facts, law...and that other thing. Hear from a former Bristow Fellow in the Office of the Solicitor General about how public policy fits into the appellate picture and how to incorporate those arguments into your briefs.

10:30 **Break**

10:45 **Bluebook Primer**
Allegra K. Collins

Has it been a while since you opened *The Bluebook*? Did you know that there is a 20th edition? Learn about the recent changes and some tips for citations in this interactive session.

11:15 **Ethics in Appellate Practice and Legal Writing***
Judge Richard Dietz and Judge R. Christopher Dillon

The ethical rules are easy to state but can be difficult to apply. Find out about conflicts that can arise and how to deal with them, in this session from current judges on the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

12:15p **Networking Lunch** (included at Live program only)

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Preston O. Odom III, James McElroy & Diehl PA, Cornelius,
presiding 2016-2017 Section Chair

1:15 **Behind the Curtain**

Justice Robert H. Edmunds Jr. and J. Bryan Boyd

Ever wondered how things work behind the scenes at the Supreme Court of North Carolina? Discover some of the secrets from the Senior Associate Justice and the Court's new clerk.

2:00 **Writing a Persuasive Statement of Facts**

John J. Korzen

If you think the statement of facts is the portion of the brief that judges skip over, think again. Learn about how to craft a statement of facts that puts your client's legal position in the best light possible.

2:45 **Break**

3:00 **Effective Reply Briefs**

Mark R. Sigmon

Haven't you always wanted the last word? Find out about how to write a reply brief that brings your points home and gives a judge what he or she wants to hear.

3:30 **Tips for Oral Argument**

Erik R. Zimmerman

It's not just about answering the judges' questions. Hear from a former clerk to Chief Justice John G. Roberts about the dos and don'ts of oral argument, as evidenced by real-life examples.

4:00 **Appellate Resources**

Rebecca K. Watts

Ever have questions about appellate practice? Don't know where to look? Find out about the resources that are available to make your job simpler—including tip sheets, guides and publications from the bar.

4:30 **Adjourn**

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- Allegra K. Collins, Campbell University School of Law, Raleigh
- Kip D. Nelson, Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP, Greensboro

Speakers

- Justice Robert H. Edmunds Jr., Supreme Court of North Carolina, Raleigh
- Judge Richard Dietz, North Carolina Court of Appeals, Raleigh
- Judge R. Christopher Dillon, North Carolina Court of Appeals, Raleigh
- Jennifer L. Behrens, Goodson Law Library, Duke University School of Law, Durham
- J. Bryan Boyd, Clerk, Supreme Court of North Carolina, Raleigh
- Allegra K. Collins, Campbell University School of Law, Raleigh
- Jonathan Y. Ellis, Latham & Watkins LLP, Washington, DC
- John J. Korzen, Wake Forest School of Law, Winston-Salem
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