

Illinois 2009 MCLE Mini Marathon Programs

12 hours of credit, which includes 6 hours of ethics credit, to especially help attorneys with last names starting with N - Z meet their upcoming Illinois MCLE requirements as well as to help all attorneys get a jump start on meeting their next compliance deadline.* Reach the Illinois MCLE finish-line at Sidley.

Date	Time	Conference Rooms	Title of Program	Credit
Tuesday May 12	11:00am- Noon	38E02	<p>Cy Pres Relief, Class Wide Damages, and the Pathologies of the Modern Class Action</p> <p>Senior Counsel and Chaired Northwestern Law School Professor Marty Redish will explore the controversial forms of class action relief that have been developed in recent years to deal with the problems inherent in the collectivized adjudication of individual claims, and the extent to which they should be deemed to violate Rule 23, the Erie doctrine, or the Constitution. Specific remedies to be considered include cy pres relief, statistical sampling, fluid class recovery, and class wide general estimation of damages.</p>	<i>1 hour – General Credit</i>
Friday May 15	11:00am- Noon	37N10- 37N11	<p>ADR: Settling Disputes Outside the Courts</p> <p>Partner Ellen Robbins and Robert Matlin from the American Arbitration Association will discuss how alternative dispute resolution can be effectively employed in complex litigation matters, and how the use of ADR is particularly relevant in these challenging economic times.</p>	<i>1 hour – Professional Responsibility Credit</i>
Tuesday May 19	11:00am- Noon	37N10- 37N13	<p>Navigating Dangerous Waters: Reducing Lender Liability Risk when Managing Distressed Loan Transactions</p> <p>Partners Teresa Wilton Harmon, Kevin Hochberg and John Rafkin and Counsel Ken Wile will discuss the recent increase in high-dollar lender liability claims and how lenders and their lawyers can reduce their lender liability risk. Special attention will be paid to reducing lender liability risk in managing distressed loan transactions and in workout situations. Topics will include bankruptcy issues, the issuance of commitment letters, deepening insolvency and traditional lender liability concepts such as fraud, misrepresentation, lack of good faith, and damages.</p>	<i>1 hour – General Credit</i>

Thursday May 28	11:00am- Noon	38N22- 38N23	<p>Key Issues in Preserving Attorney-Client Privilege in the Corporate Context</p> <p>Partners Tamar Kelber and Sherry Knutson will provide lawyers with practical advice for educating business people about the attorney-client privilege, focusing on protecting the privilege in the era of electronic communications. They will share lessons learned from litigation and will address key recent developments in the law of privilege.</p>	<i>1 hour – Professional Responsibility Credit</i>
Tuesday June 2	11:00am- Noon	37N11- 37N13	<p>Developments in Professional Responsibility – Part 1</p> <p>Partner Mike Sweeney will review key concepts and recent developments in professional responsibility law that are relevant to both transactional lawyers and litigators. Mike will cover the ABA’s recent amendment of Model Rule 1.10 regarding screening and other conflicts-related issues, communication with represented persons, privilege and confidentiality, client files, reasonableness of fees, and reporting obligations. Part 2, for litigators, will bring the Mini Marathon to the finish line on June 23rd.</p>	<i>1 hour – Professional Responsibility Credit</i>
Wednesday June 3	11:00am- Noon	37N11- 37N13	<p>Introduction to the Federal Securities Laws from a Corporate and Litigation Perspective</p> <p>Partners John Kelsh and Jim Ducayet will present a primer on the basics of federal securities laws from both a transactional and securities litigation perspective.</p>	<i>1 hour – General Credit</i>
Monday June 8	11:00am- Noon	37N11- 37N13	<p>United States Supreme Court – Business and Commercial Decisions</p> <p>Partners Gary Feinerman, Rob Hochman and Connie Trela will review current Term Supreme Court decisions of particular significance for our business clients.</p>	<i>1 hour – General Credit</i>
Wednesday June 10	11:00am- Noon	37N11- 37N13	<p>New Accounting Standards: The Impact on Attorneys and Their Clients</p> <p>Partners Mel Washburn and Lisa Reategui along with Sonya Andreassen from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will review the impact that the proposed changes to current accounting standards will have on clients. From the transition to IFRS to the challenges of “mark to market” accounting, transactional lawyers and litigators alike will need to be familiar with the impact these changes may have on deals and cases.</p>	<i>1 hour – General Credit</i>

<p>Thursday June 11</p>	<p>11:00am- 12:30pm</p>	<p>37N12- 37N13</p>	<p>E-Discovery Update 2009 Partners Colleen Kenney and Marc Raven will provide a concise overview of significant developments and emerging trends in electronic discovery, such as ethical and practical concerns for parties and counsel who do not cooperate sufficiently with their opponents on e-discovery matters. Early decisions under new Federal Rule of Evidence 502 concerning inadvertent production of privileged documents, recent case law on keyword searching, e-discovery risks for downsizing companies, and potential e-discovery issues stemming from business use of “social networking” sites also will be addressed.</p>	<p><i>1.5 hours – Professional Responsibility Credit</i></p>
<p>Tuesday June 16</p>	<p>11:00am- Noon</p>	<p>37N12- 37N13</p>	<p>Ethics: Challenges to the Partiality of Party-Appointed Arbitrators With the rise in popularity of alternative dispute resolution methods, arbitrator conduct has come under increased scrutiny. Partner Tom Cunningham will discuss the ethical issues faced by party-appointed arbitrators and challenges made to them in court on the basis of alleged partiality.</p>	<p><i>1 hour – Professional Responsibility Credit</i></p>
<p>Thursday June 18</p>	<p>11:00am- Noon</p>	<p>38N22- 38N23</p>	<p>Federal Regulation of Executive Compensation Partners Mike Sigal and Matt Johnson will present an overview of changes in the federal regulation of executive compensation preceding TARP and the significant impact of TARP upon the compensation of executives of participating financial institutions.</p>	<p><i>1 hour – General Credit</i></p>
<p>Tuesday June 23</p>	<p>11:00am- Noon</p>	<p>37N12- 37N13</p>	<p>Developments in Professional Responsibility – Part 2 In this companion ethics session of primary interest to litigators, partner Mike Sweeney will address “corporate Miranda warnings” and other topical issues relating to payments to witnesses, solicitation, multijurisdictional practice, metadata, and settlement agreements. Don’t miss this lively discussion which will address a number of newsworthy matters and take the MCLE series to its conclusion.</p>	<p><i>1 hour – Professional Responsibility Credit</i></p>

Please RSVP to **Bryan Ferguson** at bryan.ferguson@sidley.com
Clients, alumni and attorney-spouses are invited to each session.

**Illinois requires that attorneys with last names starting with N-Z participate in 20 hours of MCLE approved programming by June 30, 2009. Attorneys with last names starting with A-M who satisfied their requirement in June, 2008 also may earn credit. All attorneys who have satisfied their current requirement may carry-over up to 10 hours of general credit towards their next compliance period, and are invited to participate in the series. Sidley Austin LLP is an Accredited CLE Provider in Illinois and these sessions are designed in accordance with the Illinois requirements.*