

# The AIDS Legal Referral Panel

## FREE Spring 2019

### MCLE Training

### Programs



#### Employee Benefits Claims and Appeals

- Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Presented by Kirsten Scott, Esq. – [Renaker Hasselman Scott LLP](#)
- Bar Association of San Francisco, 301 Battery Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room, San Francisco, CA 94111
- 1.5 General CLE Credits
- **Overview:** Come learn about employee benefit claims, the administrative appeals procedure, and strategy tips in representing a participant through this process. This training will largely focus on employee benefits under ERISA, but will also touch on non-ERISA benefits as well.

#### Direct Negotiations vs. Mediation:

##### *Have We As Lawyers Forgotten How to Settle Cases without a Mediator?*

- Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Presented by Guy Kornblum, Esq. – [Kornblum Cochran Erickson & Harbison LLP](#)
- Bar Association of San Francisco, 301 Battery Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room, San Francisco, CA 94111
- 1.5 General CLE Credits
- **Overview:** Discuss strategies for negotiating lawsuits with an emphasis on personal injury, insurance and malpractice claims, yet also applicable to other types of disputes/litigation. Topics will include:
  - ✓ Points to consider on taking the case -- is this a case that CAN be settled or am I in for a trial?
  - ✓ Cases that are ripe for early negotiation and how to get it done THEN!
  - ✓ Working towards a "plateau" where settlement is most likely.
  - ✓ What should a persuasive demand letter contain -- make it a "claims file".
  - ✓ How to make "direct negotiations" work for you and your client.
  - ✓ When is it best to mediate?
  - ✓ The ten mistakes not to make in negotiating your client's case.

## IMMIGRATION TRAINING SERIES!

### **Part 1: Representing an LGBTQ/HIV+ Client in an Affirmative Asylum Case**

- Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Presented by Rachel Kafele, Esq. and Ari Jones, Esq. – [Oasis Legal Services](#)
- Bar Association of San Francisco, 301 Battery Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room, San Francisco, CA 94111
- 1.5 *Elimination of Bias* CLE Credits
- **Overview:** This training will focus on how to represent an LGBTQ/HIV+ client in an affirmative asylum case. The training will also include an overview of asylum law, the different bars to winning asylum, and how to prepare and represent a client in their affirmative asylum interview.

### **Part 2: The Ins and Outs of the One-Year Bar in Asylum Cases**

- Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Presented by Rachel Kafele, Esq. and Ari Jones, Esq. – [Oasis Legal Services](#)
- Bar Association of San Francisco, 301 Battery Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room, San Francisco, CA 94111
- 1.5 General CLE Credits
- **Overview:** This training specifically focuses on the one-year bar in asylum cases. What is it? Why does it matter? How can a client win asylum if they did not apply for asylum within their first year in the US? The training will also touch on how being diagnosed with HIV can help clients overcome the one-year bar.

### **Part 3: Your Client Won Asylum! Now What?**

- Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Presented by Rachel Kafele, Esq. and Ari Jones, Esq. – [Oasis Legal Services](#)
- Bar Association of San Francisco, 301 Battery Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Board Room, San Francisco, CA 94111
- 1.5 General CLE Credits
- **Overview:** Your client won asylum, now what? This training focuses on the benefits of asylum, how to prepare a client to apply for residency and citizenship, and the common obstacles for low-income LGBTQ asylees.

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**Please RSVP**  
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All are welcome to attend the MCLE trainings. Following the training, we hope that non-Panel attorneys will sign up and support ALRP's mission. There are many benefits to being a Panel attorney and we only ask that Panel members accept two ALRP referrals a year.

The BASF Board Room (and all alternate meeting rooms) is accessible to people with disabilities. Attendees who might require a reasonable accommodation (including alternative-to-print formats of materials) are invited to contact Hannah Center in advance of the training (contact information below).

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