



# FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO CHAPTER

## STATE OF THE COURT SEMINAR FEDERAL PRACTICE AND OTHER ISSUES IMPORTANT TO FEDERAL PRACTITIONERS

Monday, September 8, 2014

3.0 Hours of Ohio CLE Credit  
Pending approval by the Ohio Supreme Court

### SEMINAR DESCRIPTION & AGENDA

8:00 a.m. **Registration**

8:25 a.m. **Welcoming Remarks**

*Tony Vegh (Secretary, Federal Bar Association, Northern District of Ohio Chapter)*

8:30 a.m. **Risk Versus Reward: The New Pros and Cons of Arbitration Agreements and Class Action Waivers**

In the wake of recent rulings by the Supreme Court of the United States and other appellate courts, many employers will need to reevaluate their stance on arbitration agreements. This session will cover important changes to the incentives and disincentives of arbitration since the recent decisions came down. The presenters will also discuss the viability of class action waivers. Finally, the course will provide practical tips and best practices for drafting or updating an arbitration agreement to use in the new legal landscape.

*John Gerak, Esq., of Ogletree Deakins*

*Jason R. Bristol, Esq., of Cohen, Rosenthal & Kramer, LLP*

9:30 a.m. **Break**

9:45 a.m. **In-House Counsel Forum: How Outside Law Firms Get Noticed and Hired**

Attendees at this session will hear from in-house counsel about their experiences in hiring and maintaining relations with outside counsel. The program will include discussion about the expectations of general counsel and how outside lawyers can enhance their images in the eye's of their corporate clients. Panel members will address approaches they have seen used well and others that were not used so well.

*Carolyn E. Cheverine, Senior Vice President and Chief Counsel (Industrial Sector), Eaton Corporation*

*Tim Clancy, Esq., Group General Counsel (Healthcare), STERIS Corporation*

*David Lamb, Esq., Vice President and General Counsel, The Scott Fetzer Company*

*David R. Sheil, Esq., Executive Vice President, Human Resources, Jeld-Wen Inc*

*Brian Ramm, Esq., of Ulmer Berne, LLP (Moderator)*

10:45 a.m. **Technology in the Courtroom: Views from the Bench about What Works and What Doesn't**

This course will not only teach attendees about the latest means of using technology in a courtroom setting, but it will also share first-hand insight from a panel of distinguished local judges about how to best use technology to your advantage. The course includes demonstrations about different types of media available to practitioners and examples from real-life trials. Trial lawyers, you won't want to miss this program.

*The Honorable Solomon Oliver, Jr., Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio*

*The Honorable Jack Zoubary, District Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio*

*The Honorable Benita Y. Pearson, District Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio*

*Linda Weber, Senior Litigation Consultant, Visual Evidence*

*Lori Riga, Esq. of the Office of the Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Ohio (Moderator)*

Please join us immediately following this seminar for the 2014 State of the Court Luncheon  
[Click here to register online](#)

### DATE AND LOCATION

### REGISTRATION FEES

State of the Court Seminar:  
Federal Practice and Other Issues Important to Federal  
Practitioners  
Monday, September 8, 2014  
8:25am to 11:45am  
Renaissance Cleveland Hotel  
24 Public Square, Cleveland OH 44113

FBA Member: \$120     Non-member: \$130

Enclosed is a check payable to the Federal Bar Association.

Send by **September 1, 2014 to:**

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