

ALISON P. BUCHANAN TO SPEAK AT THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA'S 18TH ANNUAL STATEWIDE ETHICS SYMPOSIUM

Date 04/12/2014
Time 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location

The State Bar's Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct (COPRAC) will sponsor the State Bar's 18th Annual Statewide Ethics Symposium. The Symposium is a one-day program with four legal ethics panels, offering six hours of MCLE credit.

Hoge Fenton shareholder **Alison P. Buchanan** will moderate the panel, *"Trial Ethics: Don't Risk Your Soul to Win a Point,"* featuring panelists: **Wendy Wen Yun Chang**, Chair, Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct; Partner, Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP, Los Angeles; **James J. Brosnahan**, Senior Trial Counsel, Morrison & Foerster LLP, San Francisco; **Hon. Peter H. Kirwan**, Judge, Santa Clara County Superior Court, Complex Civil Department; and **Allen J. Ruby**, Partner, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Palo Alto. This panel of seasoned trial attorneys will examine ethics issues that are unique to trial. Those issues include identifying the sometimes fuzzy line between ethical and not when: dealing with witnesses; producing (or not producing) evidence; jury selection (including discrimination and the use of social media); references to non-existent or inadmissible evidence; asserting an unsupported position; client perjury; appealing to the jury's passions and prejudices and other issues for closing argument; and communicating with jurors before, during and after trial.

Other panels during this year's Symposium include *"Defending a Charles Ponzi or Bernie Madoff,"* *"Complex Conflicts Issues Deciphered,"* and *"Disruptive' Ethics? Innovative Models of Providing Legal Services."* This year's keynote address, *"Utopian Legal Ethics in 2020,"* will feature James J. Brosnahan, Senior Trial Counsel with Morrison & Foerster, LLP.

The Symposium is open to all members of the State Bar. Please visit the website (<http://ethics.calbar.ca.gov/Committees/COPRAC/Education/EthicsSymposium.aspx>) for more information and to register for the Symposium. The event will be at Golden Gate University School of the Law, 536 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94105

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