

Board of Professional Responsibility's  
2024 Ethics Workshop  
Friday, November 1

8:00 – 8:15		Registration
		<u>Presentation</u>
		<u>Speaker</u>
8:15 – 9:15 1.0 (dual)	<b><i>Regulating Trust Funds: Can We Do a Better Job of Preventing Theft?</i></b> Very few lawyers steal, but when they do, they steal big, and they make headlines that can cast a shadow on the entire profession. This session will begin by exploring the mechanics of stealing client funds, including how some noteworthy lawyers (Alex Murdaugh, Tom Girardi, etc.) have not only taken millions from their clients but also evaded notice by those clients, their law partners, the courts, and professional regulators. We will then discuss ways the profession may be able to “plug the leaks,” examining individual efforts from various jurisdictions that are experimenting with tightened ethics rules, state bar administrative efforts, and statutory schemes that reach beyond lawyer regulation.	Michael Virzi
9:15 – 9:20		5 Minute Break
9:20 – 10:20 1.0 (dual)	<b><i>Threats, Safeguarding the Justice System, and Lawyers as Instruments of Justice</i></b> Chief Justice Kirby will explore lawyers’ ethical obligations as to threats from inside and outside the justice system.	Chief Justice Holly Kirby
10:20 – 10:25		5 Minute Break
10:25 – 11:55 1.5 (dual)	<b><i>The New Frontier: Navigating AI and Deep Fakes in the Legal Landscape</i></b> In an era where artificial intelligence and deep fakes are increasingly sophisticated, the legal community faces new challenges and opportunities. This session will equip judges and attorneys with the knowledge to understand and identify AI-generated content and deep fakes, exploring their implications in legal contexts. We will cover the latest advancements in AI technology, methods for detecting fabricated evidence, and the ethical considerations surrounding the use of AI in the courtroom. Attendees will leave with practical strategies to confidently address these emerging issues, ensuring justice is upheld in an age of digital deception.	Mark Lanterman
11:55 – 1:00		Lunch (on your own)
1:00 – 2:00 1.0 (dual)	<b><i>Murder Most Foul!</i></b> 2024 marks the 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of a brutal thrill-killing of a boy by Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, the first major ‘Crime of the Century’ in America. In this one-hour ethics presentation learn how their famed attorney was able to represent the pair notwithstanding a disqualifying conflict of interest. This session focuses on both the ethical and constitutional guidelines governing lawyers who represent those charged with murder, mayhem, and other assorted offenses and provides guidance to those who have a client who wants to harm others or themselves. A refresher on the attorney-client privilege is included, as well as a summary of recent national ethics issues.	Jim Grogan
2:00 – 2:05		5 Minute Break

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2:05 – 2:20 .15 (dual)	<b><i>Tennessee Lawyers' Fund of Client Protection</i></b> A brief overview of the agency that provides reimbursement to clients for losses caused by dishonest conduct committed by attorneys practicing law in Tennessee.	Sandy Garrett
2:20 – 3:05 .45 (dual)	<b><i>Recent Developments in Lawyers' Assistance Programs</i></b> This program will provide updates on mental health challenges in the legal profession, TLAP's confidential assistance behind the scenes, and best practices in generating and monitoring fitness to support practicing lawyers referred to TLAP in the disciplinary system.	Buddy Stockwell
3:05 – 3:10	5 Minute Break	
3:10 – 4:10 1.0 (dual)	<b><i>Lawyers' Use and Application of Technology: Is AI Really that Revolutionary?</i></b> With the explosion of Artificial Intelligence (AI) integration in many applications and gadgets that we use every day, it's easy to get lost in the sea of lofty promises for AI. This session will explore practical applications of AI in the real world in legal-specific technology. For many attorneys, there are more important practical issues in the use and dangers of technology in the practice of law. This session will discuss a lawyer's everyday use of technology and news gadgets (that may or may not use AI).	Bill Ramsey