

**Eighteenth Annual
Akron Law Winter Institute 2025
Program Schedule**

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Wednesday, February 5, 2025

6:00 p.m.	UA School of Law Alumni and Welcome Reception Featuring: University of Akron President, Robert J. (R.J.) Nemer	Location: [Gulf Lawn]
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Thursday, February 6, 2025

6:45 – 7:25 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast	Locations: Vanderbilt Terrace
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7:25 – 7:30 a.m.	Welcome from the Dean	All presentations held in Vanderbilt Ballroom
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7:30 – 8:00 a.m. (0.5 hrs.)	Leadership Robert J. (R.J.) Nemer <i>The University of Akron, President</i>	Handout Tab 01
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8:00 – 9:00 a.m. (1.0 hrs.)	The Future of the Legal Profession Alisa Benedict-O'Brien <i>The University of Akron School of Law, Assistant Dean of Career Services, Strategic Initiatives and External Affairs</i>	Tab 02
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9:00– 10:30 a.m. (1.5 hrs.)	Court of Federal Claims Issues/An update on IP law Issues Hon. Ryan T. Holte <i>The United States Court of Federal Claims, Judge, Center for Intellectual Property Law & Technology The University of Akron School of Law, Jurist-in-Residence Professor of Law</i>	Tab 03
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10:30 –10:45 a.m.	Break	
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10:45 – 12:15 p.m. (1.5 hrs.)	Employment Law Changes Every Attorney Should Know and a Discussion about Possible Changes Under the Trump Administration Bryan Meek <i>Employment & Labor Law Group, Brennan Manna Diamond, LLC, Partner/ Co-Chair</i>	Tab 04
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12:15 – 1:00 p.m	Buffet Lunch	Vanderbilt Terrace
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1:00– 2:30 p.m. **The Lawyer’s Duty of Candor: Cases and Capers** **Tab 05**
(1.5 prof. hrs.) **Leading to Fines and Failures**
Heather Zirke
The Miller Becker Center for Professional Responsibility,
Director, The University of Akron School of Law, Assistant
Professor

2:30– 4:00 p.m. **The Role of In-House Counsel** **Tab 06**
(1.5 prof. hrs.) Mark Inzetta
Sbarro LLC, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

Thursday Evening **Dinner on your own in beautiful Naples. Enjoy your evening!**

Friday, February 7, 2025

6:45 – 7:30 a.m. **Buffet Breakfast** **Locations:**
Vanderbilt Terrace

**All presentations held in
Vanderbilt Ballroom**

7:30 – 9:00 a.m. **Probate and Elder Law Update** **Handout**
(1.5 hrs.) Carolyn L. Dessin **Tab 07**
The University of Akron School of Law, Professor of Law,
Emeritus

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. **Constant State of Change: New Developments in** **Tab 08**
(1.5 hrs.) **Employment Law**
Karen Adinolfi
Roetzel & Andress, Attorney

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. **Break**

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 **Marijuana or Firearms, Which Side of the Fence Are** **Tab 09**
p.m. **You On**
(1.5 prof. hrs.) Doug Dolfman
The Law Offices of Douglas L. Dolfman, Attorney

12:15 p.m. **CLE Forms and See You Next Year**

CLE Information

Thursday, February 6, 2025: = 7.5 CLE hours including 3.0 professional conduct hours
Friday, February 7, 2025: = 4.5 CLE hours including 1.5 professional conduct hours
18th Annual Winter Institute 2025 = 12 CLE hours including 4.5 professional conduct hours
CLE Total

***Refer to credits by
state.**