

Seventeenth Annual
Akron Law Winter Institute 2024
Program Schedule

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Wednesday, February 7, 2024

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	UA School of Law Alumni and Welcome Reception Featuring: University of Akron President, Dr. Gary L. Miller	Location: [Gulf Lawn]
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Thursday, February 8, 2024

6:45 – 7:25 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast	Locations: Vanderbilt Terrace
7:25 – 7:30 a.m.	Welcome from the Dean	All presentations held in Vanderbilt Ballroom
7:30 – 9:00 a.m. (1.5 CLE hrs.)	Navigating the Shifting Workplace Landscape: Employment Law Trends for 2024 Monica Andress <i>Attorney, Brennan Manna Diamond</i>	Tab 01
9:00 – 10:30 a.m. (1.5 CLE hrs.)	The State of ERISA Preemption: Post Rutledge Christopher V. Goff <i>President and CEO, Employers Health</i>	Tab 02
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break	
10:45– 12:15 p.m. (1.5 CLE hrs.)	Trends in Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Hon. Linda Teodosio <i>Judge, Summit County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile Division</i>	Tab 03
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Buffet Lunch	Vanderbilt Terrace
1:00 – 2:30 p.m. (1.5 CLE hrs.)	Akron Tire Worker Asbestos Litigation Thomas W. Bevan, Esq. <i>Attorney, Bevan & Associates, LPA</i>	Tab 04

2:30– 4:00 p.m.
(1.5 Prof. Conduct
CLE hrs.)

Transitioning Your Law Practice: Ethical Considerations and Strategies

Alisa Benedict O'Brien
Assistant Dean for Career Services, Strategic Initiatives & External Affairs, The University of Akron School of Law

Tab 05

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

Friday, February 9, 2024

6:45 – 7:30 a.m. Buffet Breakfast

Locations:
Vanderbilt Terrace

**All presentations held
in Vanderbilt Ballroom**

7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
(1.5 Prof. Conduct
CLE hrs.)

Ethical Considerations for the Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Practice of Law

Sean Steward
Assistant Professor of Legal Writing, The University of Akron School of Law
Sarah Starnes
Assistant Professor, Law Library, The University of Akron School of Law

Tab 06

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
(1.5 CLE hrs.)

Compassionate Justice: Drug Courts and Specialty Dockets

Thomas Teodosio
Retired Judge sitting by assignment in Ohio Common Pleas and Municipal Courts

Tab 07

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
(1.5 Prof. Conduct
CLE hrs.)

DE&I in the Legal Profession: Where do we stand, where are we going, and how can we get there?

Amanda Smith, Esq
Shareholder, Kastner Westman & Wilkins, LLC

Tab 08

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

CLE Information

Thursday, February 8, 2024:	= 7.5 CLE hours including 1.5 professional conduct hours
Friday, February 9, 2024:	= 4.5 CLE hours including 3.0 professional conduct hours
17th Annual Winter Institute 2024	= 12 CLE hours including 4.5 professional conduct hours
CLE Total:	

Please refer to additional handout for filing information for individual states.

Seventeenth Annual Akron Law Winter Institute CLE Information

Updated:

<u>State</u>	<u>Credits Awarded</u>		<u>Filing Instructions</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Professional Conduct</u>	
FL	12.0	3.5	Attorney self-reports
OH	12.0	3.0	Akron Law reports
KY	12.0	3.0	Attorney self-reports
PA	12.0	4.5	Akron Law reports
WA	12.0	4.5	Attorney self-reports
CO	12.0	-	Attorney self-reports
IL	12.0	4.5	Attorney self-reports

States not listed: Complete Uniform Certificate of Attendance (attys are responsible for applying/reporting) for their records.

Uniform Certificate of Attendance forms will be available at the sign-in desk at the event.

Akron Law reporting states: please be sure to sign in/out of the sign-in sheet.

Self-reporting states must upload:

1. Program,
2. Biographies
3. Presentation Materials

Nos. 1-3 are contained in the Dropbox File entitled, “0. ALL Hand-outs (Large File)”

Located here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/79fbhcovkpg933jmvgc4c/h?rlkey=8zb9rwk7lzqzpyo7v2d4k0z4w&dl=0>

Any changes will be communicated. Questions? Please contact Pleshae McPhee,
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