

Free ONLINE sessions in October 2012

In 2012, The National Judicial College is webcasting excerpts of its courses in Reno, Nevada. Using WebEx meeting center, we will broadcast selected course segments live over the Internet. NJC chose the sessions because the subject matters "stand alone" and have wide appeal for judges. The webcasts are free, but you do need to register. You can watch the segment live or watch the recorded version which will be posted within 48 hours after the live version. Even if you plan to watch the webcast after its live broadcast, we recommend that you register to receive all materials and information.

Instructions to Register: Click on the link below, or type the address into your web browser. You will receive a confirmation e-mail once you are registered. On the day of the webcast, you will be able to sign on 30 minutes early to check your connection. If you've never taken an NJC webcast before, we highly recommend that you sign in early. An Internet connection and a phone line will enable you to see video of the presenter, view a copy of any documents the presenter uses (such as PowerPoint slides), and hear the audio. If you have any trouble, call the NJC at 1-800-25-JUDGE.

October 2012 SESSIONS

Self-represented Litigants (1 hour)

Monday October 15, 2012, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Pacific (1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Eastern)

Faculty: Hon. Richard Knowles (active retired), New Mexico

Description: The Self-represented Litigants webcast is an adaptation of Judge Richard Knowles' presentation in NJC's two-week [General Jurisdiction](#) course. The webcast suggests that judges should look forward to cases with Self Represented Litigants. Judge Knowles will provide practical tips from his experience on the bench.

After this session, the participants will be able to develop and describe a philosophy for dealing with self-represented litigants and list techniques to effectively and ethically deal with such litigants.

FREE Registration: <http://bit.ly/QUjCkZ>

Ethical Implications of ADR (1 hour)

Tuesday October 16, 2012, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Pacific (1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Eastern)

Faculty: Judge Reba Page, U.S. Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals

Description: Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) techniques increasingly have gained wide acceptance and application as salutary measures to resolve disputes in a relatively inexpensive and expeditious manner. But, along with the efficacy of procedures such as mediation and arbitration, both the disputants and ADR professionals should consider potential ethical pitfalls. In this webcast, which is adapted from material presented in NJC's [Dispute Resolution Skills](#) course, Judge Reba Page emphasizes the importance of properly educating the parties with respect to advantages and disadvantages of various approaches; setting the stage for a successful ADR; and avoiding violations of ethical standards.

After this session, participants will be able to identify the differences between facilitative and evaluative ADR; advise disputants regarding the advantages and disadvantages of various ADR options including mediation and arbitration; set the stage for a successful ADR by managing the parties' expectations about possible outcomes; and avoid such ethical dilemmas encountered by other ADR neutrals as allegations of coercion; limits on confidentiality; and providing questionable legal advice to a party.

FREE Registration: <http://bit.ly/SUNPUn>

Stereotypes and Misconceptions: Lesbian and Gay Persons in Your Courtroom (1 hour)

Wednesday October 24, 2012, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Pacific (1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Eastern)

Faculty: Prof. Todd Brower, Western State University College of Law

Description: A variety of stereotypes and misconceptions exist about lesbian and gay persons and their families. In this webcast, adapted from a session in NJC's [Ethics, Fairness, and Security in Your Courtroom and Community](#) course, Professor Todd Brower will discuss common stereotypes and biases about sexual orientation, as well as review some facts taken from US Census data. Professor Bower will then address some issues involving sexual orientation that may arise in your courtroom and how to effectively handle such issues.

After this session, the participants will be able to define common terms related to sexual minorities; identify common stereotypes and biases about sexual orientation; and effectively handle issues involving sexual orientation.

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