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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Registration

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Young Professionals Happy Hour
(See *Special Events* for more information.)

5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Newcomer and Sponsor Reception

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

All Attendee Welcome Reception

8:00 p.m.

Dinner Dine-Out Reservations
(This is not a hosted event.)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Yoga

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Open 12-Step Support Group Meeting

7:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Registration

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Young Professionals Breakfast with Experience (*Continental Breakfast*)

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Introduction and Program Overview

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Plenary Session 1

Inside, Outside, Upside Down: The Future of the Legal Profession

Gaining a perspective on the future of the practice of the law without being overwhelmed by the cacophony of “agendas” is often difficult. This panel will provide objective thinking on the topic ranging from the legal education process, sole practitioners, large-firm international practice, and adaptive strategies for the practice of law gained from participation in task forces and practical front-line experience. Panelists will share viewpoints on the overarching questions of how quickly and in what ways technology, consumer demand, and existing institutional structures will both allow and cause inevitable evolution within the practice of law.

Speakers: **Monica Bay**, Fellow at The Stanford Center for Legal Informatics, Freelance Journalist and Consultant, New York, NY; **James A. Calloway**, Director, Oklahoma Bar Association Management Assistance Program, Oklahoma City, OK; **Karen Dyck**, Steering Committee Member, CBA Legal Futures Initiative, La Salle, MB; **William D. Henderson**, Professor of Law and Val Nolan Faculty Fellow, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington, IN

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Refreshment Break

10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Breakout Session 1

Young Professionals Roundtable The New Top Ten: Preemptive Strategies to Avoiding a Lawsuit

New ways of practicing and new technologies give rise to previously unknown risks. During this session you will be exposed to the Top Ten List that every potential client and insured should know in order to avoid being sued. Panelists will offer a Top 10-styled list of advice that young lawyers and claims counsel can provide to clients and insureds to reduce the chance of becoming a defendant in a lawsuit in today's rapidly changing legal world. The list will include time-honored tips to avoid legal malpractice claims as well as new tips based on trends in professional liability claims over the last few years.

Speakers: **Rachelle M. Bin**, Assistant General Counsel, Fox Rothschild LLP, Princeton, NJ; **Risa Kleiner**, Claims Consultant, CNA, New York, NY; **John B. Sullivan**, Partner, Long & Levitt LLP, San Francisco, CA

Breakout Session 2

Zone of Insolvency or Twilight Zone?

While consumer bankruptcies are down, it might take just one nice, juicy business failure to bring your law firm, or your insurance policy, to an end. If a law firm's client goes bankrupt, the firm goes on the hit list of potential defendants with assets, and bankruptcy court sometimes seems designed to bring your assets into the estate without much consideration of liability. Trustees are smart and hyper-aggressive plaintiffs, and bankruptcy judges are often very close with the Trustees. Learn from this panel of experts about bankruptcy court matters such as 2004 exams, withdrawing the reference, core proceeding, and zone of insolvency. From this session you will gain insight that may help you to stay out of bankruptcy court, but you will also learn how to spot and avoid some of the landmines if you end up there, as well as strategies to use the system to your advantage and find your way back to solid ground.

Speakers: **Rob Charles**, Partner, Lewis Roca Rothgerber, Tucson, AZ; **Johannes Kingma**, Partner, Carlock, Copeland & Stair LLP, Atlanta, GA; **Allison McCabe**, Senior Claims Examiner, Aspen Insurance, New York, NY

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Breakout Session 3

Bad Faith: The Noxious Fumes of Legal Malpractice Cases

Plaintiffs seek to maximize recoveries, attorney defendants seek to get out of harm's way and back to the practice of income-producing endeavors, and professional liability insurers seek to do right by their insureds without capitulating to what are often viewed as unreasonable demands not justified by the facts or the policy. When aligned in just the right way, these three interests can transform a regular legal malpractice case into the proverbial apocalypse, with the dreaded specter of bad faith front and center. This session will provide perspectives from an experienced policyholders' counsel, a longstanding insurance coverage counsel, and a senior insurance executive who will explore the hot buttons (and how and when they come up), what methods should be considered to turn up or down the heat, and what pitfalls to avoid in order to minimize bad faith exposure.

Speakers: **Todd Hampton**, Vice President, Claims, Monitor Liability Managers and Berkley Select, Chicago, IL; **Richard D. Hoffman**, Partner, Duane Morris LLP, San Francisco, CA; **Ernest Martin, Jr.**, Partner, Haynes and Boone LLP, Dallas, TX

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Refreshment Break

11:15 A.M. – 12:15 P.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Breakout Session 4

Be the Fireman: How to Pour Water on the Fire of Punitive Damages

The typical malpractice action involves allegations of negligence not necessarily giving rise to punitive damages. However, the possibility of punitive damages looms large for attorneys facing actions involving allegations of fraud, dishonesty, malice, or intentional conduct, because requests for punitive damages are not typically covered by professional liability insurance. This can be ruinous for a practitioner and can often result in a conflagration of double—or even triple—potential damages. This program will highlight factors attorneys should consider when confronted with punitive damages in a legal malpractice or related case. Participants will learn about recent punitive damages verdicts, how to shift strategy for the damages phase when punitive damages are at issue, and concrete steps attorneys can take to put out the fire of punitive damages.

Moderator: **Shari L. Klevens**, Partner and Deputy General Counsel, Dentons US LLP, Washington, DC
Speakers: **Frank J. Beltran**, Principal, The Beltran Firm, Atlanta, GA; **Laura B. Frankel**, Consulting Director, CNA, Chicago, IL; **Rachel T. Nguyen**, Loss Prevention Counsel, ALAS, Inc., Chicago, IL

Breakout Session 5

General Counsel Roundtable: Perspectives on Managing Risk

Law firm general counsels and risk managers strive to install systems and strategies for minimizing risk in the complex business and social environment of a law firm. Hear our experienced panel of general counsels share their experiences on how to maintain the equilibrium of innovation and entrepreneurship with the need for protocols to protect against risk and mitigate the likelihood of legal malpractice claims. They will discuss how these approaches are impacted by practice area dynamics, office geography, experience levels, pressures to improve balance sheets and profitability, and existing social relationships. The audience is encouraged to engage the panel and share their own experiences and thoughts on these important issues.

Moderator: **Antonia B. Ianniello**, Partner, Steptoe Johnson LLP, Washington, DC
Speakers: **Douglas S. Laird**, General Counsel, Polsinelli, Kansas City, MO; **Jennifer Paradise**, General Counsel, White & Case LLP, New York, NY; **Lawrence S. Spiegel**, Partner and General Counsel, Skadden Arps, New York, NY

12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Lunch

1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Breakout Session 6

Insurance In-house Counsel Roundtable: Applied Negotiation Strategies

In-house counsel/claims attorneys work closely with defense counsel to negotiate reasonable global settlements of all pending claims at issue in a matter. Claims attorneys strive to settle claims involving clear liability and undisputed damages early, but cases of questionable liability and/or damages often present problems during settlement negotiations. This interactive session with a panel of prominent insurance industry professionals will provide insight regarding strategies they use to overcome tough challenges occurring during settlement negotiations throughout all phases of litigation. Bring your thoughts and join this discussion on topics including: What steps to take when confronted with a policy limits or excess settlement

demand; best practices in bad faith claims; how to discern and respond to an opportunity to dismiss all covered claims; which negotiation strategies are better suited for mediation; when to retain monitoring counsel to assist in settlement negotiations; and how to deal with defense counsel and/or the insured when the liability or damages analysis dramatically changes in the absence of significantly new facts.

Speakers: **Sally E. Anderson**, Vice President—Claims, Wisconsin Lawyers Mutual, Madison, WI; **Bryan Jordan**, Claims Manager, Zurich, New York, NY; **Gerald Merritt**, Executive Vice President, USI Affinity, Matawan, NJ

Breakout Session 7

The Right Expert: How Hard Can it Be?

Experts in professional liability cases are often chosen because of their pedigree at renowned firms or perhaps their recognized specialty in potentially arcane practice areas. They are respected members of the bar, but does respect among peers translate to respect by a jury? When it comes to identifying the right expert—much less preparing that expert to testify—what considerations are paramount? This program will assess factors that should be considered when selecting an expert to testify on standard of care or ethical responsibilities and what steps can be taken to ensure that the expert delivers a message that resonates with the jury. Attendees will hear panelists, including a jury consultant, who will share their views on whether to hire a practitioner, expert qualifications that are meaningful to a jury, how to offer testimony that resonates to a jury, and tactics to use when cross examining the opposing expert.

Moderator: **Willard C. Shih**, Shareholder, Wilentz Goldman & Spitzer PA, Woodbridge, NJ

Speakers: **Brian J. Campbell**, President, Campbell Law Group, Chtd., Phoenix, AZ; **Lisa DeCaro**, Founder, Courtroom Performance, Inc., Golden, CO; **Dennis Waggoner**, Shareholder, Hill Ward Henderson, Tampa, FL

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Refreshment Break

2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Plenary Session 2

Location, Location, Location: The Decisions Involved in Venue Selection

When a lawyer or law firm has been sued, venue can make all the difference. Some law firms have attempted to control venue by including forum selection or arbitration clauses in their fee agreements. Even where such clauses don't exist, difficult venue decisions may need to be made at the inception of the case, and these decisions often do not lend themselves to easy

answers—and sometimes, the ability to make these decisions may be inadvertently lost. This program will explore these and other venue issues and considerations arising in professional liability lawsuits. You will learn how to identify possible venue decisions, and minimize the risk that the ability to make a decision will be waived or lost; assess and evaluate the benefits and detriments of various courses of action involving venue; and identify and implement strategies to maximize the prospects for a favorable outcome through careful attention to venue issues.

Moderator: **Andrew I. Dilworth**, Partner, Cooper, White & Cooper LLP, San Francisco, CA

Speakers: **Carolyn J. Fairless**, Managing Partner, Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP, Denver, CO; **Hon. Kevin McKenney (Ret.)**, Judge, JAMS, San Jose, CA; **Brant C. Weidner**, Specialty Lines/Claims Manager, Beazley, Chicago, IL

5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

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Taliesin West



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Plenary Session 3

Theming a High Stakes Malpractice Case – Part One

It is no secret that jurors tend to have strong feeling about lawyers, and high-stakes malpractice cases—particularly those involving alleged conflicts of interest, breaches of loyalty, and other explosive elements—will inevitably amplify juror feelings and perceptions.

Thus, an essential ingredient of the effective defense or prosecution of a high-stakes malpractice case is the development of high-impact themes through which to package and present the case to the jury. During these two plenary sessions we will explore the development of effective, high-impact and “resilient” defense and plaintiff themes in complex, high-stakes malpractice

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cases. In the first session, attendees will hear from a panel of nationally renowned defense and plaintiff malpractice litigators and jury consultants who will discuss the basic elements of effective case theming, and who will then demonstrate presentation of such themes to a mock jury panel in brief “clopings” (combined opening and closing). Attendees will then have the opportunity to develop their own “clopings” in panelist-led working groups during the second session, with feedback provided by the mock jurors. So come “prepared to play” in this demonstrative and very interactive session.

Moderator: James A. Brown, Shareholder, Liskow & Lewis, New Orleans, LA

Speakers: Dr. Suzanne L. Davis, Partner, Edge Litigation Consulting, Kingwood, TX; George Kryder,

Partner, Vinson & Elkins LLP, Dallas, TX; Eugene K. Pettis, Co-Founder, Haliczzer Pettis Schwamm, P.A., Fort Lauderdale, FL

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Refreshment Break

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Plenary Session 4

Theming a High Stakes Malpractice Case – Part Two

1:00 P.M. START
GOLF - 9-HOLE SCRAMBLE

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOTEL

The Fairmont Princess Scottsdale in Scottsdale, AZ is the site of the Fall 2015 Conference. The ABA discounted room rate is \$209/night for single/double occupancy (+14% tax). Make your reservation directly with the hotel by visiting: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/abafall2015>, or by calling 800-257-7544. When calling, be sure to mention the ABA Fall 2015 National Legal Malpractice Conference to receive the discounted rate. You will receive confirmation of your reservation directly from the hotel.

Rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis, so make your reservation early. Unclaimed rooms will be released at 5:00 p.m. (CT) on Tuesday, August 25, 2015. After August 25, the hotel will accept reservations based on availability, but cannot guarantee the ABA rate.

Individuals with guaranteed reservations must cancel **72 hours** prior to the scheduled date of arrival to avoid a one-night cancellation charge. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. and check-out time is 12:00 p.m.

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ABA AIR TRAVEL DISCOUNTS & GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport is located 25 miles, and a 35-minute drive from the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess. Estimated one-way cab fare is \$58-\$68. Please visit the hotel website for directions from Sky Harbor to the Fairmont: www.fairmont.com/scottsdale

Discounted airfares are available from ABA Orbitz for Business including ABA negotiated meeting discounts on American, United, Delta and Virgin America Airlines. To book online, go to www.americanbar.org/travel > click on the Orbitz for Business logo at the top of the page > read the instructions under the **Travel Paid by Self** box. For assistance with online or offline reservations using the ABA Orbitz for Business website, call toll free 877-222-4185.

Discounts can also be obtained directly from the airlines. **United** - 800-426-1122, code **414489**/ Z code **ZSZU**, online code **ZSZU414489**; **Delta** - 800-328-1111, domestic code **NMKEJ**, international code **NMJHL**; **Virgin America** - www.virginamerica.com code **VXABA312**.

American - discount only available at ABA Orbitz for Business, go to http://www.americanbar.org/membership/travel_services/air-travel-discounts.html.

CANCELLATIONS

Refunds minus a \$50 administration fee will be issued for cancellations received in writing by **September 2, 2015**. There will be no refunds after **September 2, 2015**. Substitutions may be made at no additional charge.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Registration will begin at 3:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 16** in the foyer adjacent to the Princess Ballroom. Attendees may check-in or register at the registration desk to receive name badges and conference materials.

DRESS CODE

Resort casual attire is appropriate for all conference sessions and networking events. Proper resort golf attire is required for the golf events.

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Yes, I want to enroll in the Lawyers' Professional Liability Consortium. The fiscal year runs from September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016. Please enroll me at the following level:

- \$25 eMEMBERSHIP**
This option provides access to frequent lawyer liability news flashes, monthly electronic case updates, white papers and access to the Advance Registration List for each of the LPL conferences.
- (\$850): Individual LPLC Subscription**
This option is best for the individual who regularly attends the National Legal Malpractice Conferences. The subscription is associated with the name of the individual subscriber, and benefits are not transferable. The subscriber receives one complimentary registration for each of the two LPL conferences, and the benefits of a single eMembership. Save up to \$600 compared to regular conference registration fees.
- \$1,825 ORGANIZATIONAL LPLC Subscription**
This option offers the most flexibility and is designed for organizations with multiple individuals attending one or both of the annual conferences. The organization receives four complimentary registrations for the two fiscal year conferences. That's two each for fall and spring, regardless of office location.

Your subscription to the Lawyers' Professional Liability Consortium is important to the ongoing work of the Standing Committee on Lawyers' Professional Liability.



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REGISTRATION FORM**

contact marcia.yarbrough@americanbar.org for assistance

PART A INDIVIDUAL Associate (\$850) or eMEMBERSHIP (\$25)

Primary/Billing Contact Information

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Company/Firm

Mailing Address Apt/ Suite

City State Zip

Telephone Fax

Email

PART B ORGANIZATIONAL Associate (\$1,825)

Primary/Billing Contact Information

Name

Company/Firm

Mailing Address Apt/ Suite

City State Zip

Telephone Fax

Email

PART B ORGANIZATIONAL Associate

Second eMembership

Name

Email

Telephone

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 - Mastercard
 - AMEX

Card Number

Expiration Date

Name on Card

Signature

- eMembership \$25**
- Individual \$850**
- Organizational \$1,825**

Total: \$ _____

If you are enrolling as an Associate and registering for the conference, complete both this form and the attached conference registration form. Send both forms with payment to the address on page 9.



■ EARLY-BIRD RATES END AUGUST 5, 2015 ■

Advance Registration Deadline: September 2, 2015

(Last chance to be placed on the Advance Registration List)

For your convenience, we encourage you to register online at ambar.org/LPLFall2015

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Company/Firm

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Mailing Address

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Apt/ Suite

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City

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State

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Telephone

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- This will be the first time I have attended this conference.
- I am a Young Lawyer or Insurance Professional (36 years of age or younger).
- I require special dietary or access considerations: please email your requirements to:
victoria.shea@americanbar.org.
- I am interested in participating in the Dinner Dine-Out Event.

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REGISTRATION FEES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 2015-2016 Individual or Organizational Associate Lawyers' Professional Liability Consortium | | \$ 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ABA Young Lawyers Division members | \$375 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law School faculty | \$525 | \$ _____ |

EARLY-BIRD RATES ON OR BEFORE 8/5/15

| | Before 8/5 | After 8/5 | |
|--|------------|-----------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ABA members | \$550 | \$625 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-ABA members | \$650 | \$725 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conference materials only | | \$85 | \$ _____ |

NETWORKING EVENTS

Wednesday Welcome Reception at the Fairmont Princess (No charge for Registered Attendees) September 16, 2015 – 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Guest Name on badge: _____ Guest \$60 \$ _____

Thursday Evening Reception at Taliesin West September 17, 2015 – 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Attendee #1 Attendee #2 \$60 \$ _____

Guest Name on badge: _____ Guest \$60 \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

GOLF EVENTS - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Golf Clinic (Group Instruction) – 6:30-8:00 a.m. \$70.00 each*

Reservations for:

- Attendee #1: **Select One** – Beginner Intermediate Advanced
 Attendee #2: **Select One** – Beginner Intermediate Advanced

\$70.00 each \$ _____

9-Hole Scramble – TPC Scottsdale Stadium Course – 2015 – 1:00 p.m. \$149.00 each*

Deadline August 14, 2015

Reservations for:

- Attendee #1: **Select One** – Beginner Intermediate Advanced
 Attendee #2: **Select One** – Beginner Intermediate Advanced

\$149.00 each \$ _____

*Full refund will be issued if event is canceled due to inclement weather or insufficient interest. We must receive your reservation and payment by Friday, August 14, 2015.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- Check Enclosed** (Make checks payable to the American Bar Association)
 Credit Card VISA MasterCard AMEX

Card Number

Expiration Date

Name on Card (Please print)

Signature

The deadline for receipt of advance registration is September 2, 2015.

This form must be received no later than September 2, 2015 for your name to appear on the printed Advance Registration list. After September 2, 2015 registrations will be processed on-site only. A \$50 on-site registration fee will be applied to all on-site registrations. On-site registrants will be included in the post-conference roster.

We encourage you to register online at ambar.org/LPLFall2015. You may also mail payment, and registration forms to:

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 19th Floor
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 Email: marcia.yarbrough@americanbar.org

Registration Cancellations

Refund requests must be in writing by **September 2, 2015**. No refunds will be granted after that date.

For assistance with this form, or online registration, contact Marcia Yarbrough at 312 - 988 - 5763 or marcia.yarbrough@americanbar.org.

YOUNG LAWYERS & PROFESSIONALS

(Included in Conference Registration)

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

Young Professionals Happy Hour:

Wednesday, September 16, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Young Professionals Breakfast with Experience:

Thursday, September 17, 8:00-8:30 a.m.

Young Professionals Hosted Dinner:

Thursday, September 17 (space is limited)

Along with the Young Professionals Roundtable, the Standing Committee organizes several events exclusively for the young lawyers and insurance professionals 36 years of age or younger. In order to receive detailed information regarding the events listed below, please register for the conference. Active members of the ABA's Young Lawyers Division are eligible to receive a discounted registration fee. For all Young Lawyers & Insurance Professionals, please remember to check the "I am a Young Lawyer or Insurance Professional" box on your registration form.

Contact Mandi Dudgeon at Mandi@corrigan Chandler.com or 843 - 819 - 7415 for event locations.

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WEDNESDAY WELCOME RECEPTION

(Included with payment of Conference Registration or LPLC Associate fee)

5:30-6:00 p.m. – Newcomers and Sponsors

6:00-7:30 p.m. – All Attendees Welcome Reception

First-time attendees and conference sponsors are invited to the Newcomer and Sponsor Reception at 5:30 p.m. to meet the members of the Standing Committee and receive a brief introduction to the conference. Be sure to indicate when you register that you are a first-time attendee. The reception is open to all attendees and their guests at 6:00 p.m. Unregistered guest admission can be purchased at the Registration Desk.

Guest Fee \$60

DINE-OUT

(This is not a hosted event)

8:00 p.m. Reservations

(Go to ambar.org/LPLFall2015 for restaurant information)

As a welcome to the desert southwest attendees of the conference will not want to miss this fantastic networking opportunity! Join your colleagues for conversation over dinner as a part of this organized dining event in the Scottsdale/Phoenix area. Reservations have been made for 8:00 p.m. at each restaurant. Sign-in sheets will be available at the Registration Desk prior to the Welcome Reception. Check the "Dine-Out" box on your registration form if you are interested in participating. Connect with your fellow professionals and sample some southwest culinary delights as a part of this Dine-Out event.

THUR SEPT 17

THURSDAY EVENING RECEPTION

Taliesin West

5:30-7:30 p.m.

"The mission of an architect is to help people understand how to make life more beautiful...and to give reason, rhyme and meaning to life." That from Frank Lloyd Wright in 1957. Taliesin West, his "desert masterpiece," is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and will offer a scenic and relaxing site for our networking event. Join us for a tour of this landmark, fantastic food and fabulous views of the Sonoran Desert.

Fee \$60

FRI SEPT 18

GOLF CLINIC & 9-HOLE SCRAMBLE

6:30-8:00 a.m. - CLINIC

Brush up your golf game and get ready for the afternoon Scramble by attending this hands-on clinic Friday morning at TPC Scottsdale. Golf professionals will help participants improve their putting and driving techniques. Please indicate your skill level on the registration form. Registration will be available until August 14. Proper resort golf attire is required.

Fee \$70

1:00 p.m. 9-HOLE SCRAMBLE

A 9-Hole Scramble will be held Friday afternoon, after the final conference session. Adjacent to the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess, the TPC Scottsdale Stadium Course is the home of the annual PGA Phoenix Open. The shotgun start is at 1:00 p.m. The ABA reserves the right to arrange teams. Please indicate your skill level on the registration form and sign up early, as the field is limited. The hotel offers a shuttle to the course every 15 minutes. Registration will be available until August 14, 2015.

Fee \$149

With inclement weather, or if insufficient interest is determined, the golf events will be canceled and you will receive a full refund of the green fee. Proper resort golf attire is required.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

RELAX WITH YOGA!

7:00-8:00 a.m.

This well-rounded, invigorating, physical practice is designed to be comfortable for beginners yet challenging for even the most advanced yoga practitioner. Students are encouraged to take every pose to their most challenging level. The goal of these sessions is to develop a sharp mental focus in an atmosphere of relaxation. A certified yoga instructor with Fairmont's Well & Being

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Spa will conduct the sessions and offer you an a relaxing hour enhance your overall conference experience! Mats provided Well & Being Spa.

■ OPEN 12-STEP SUPPORT ■ GROUP MEETING

7:30-8:30 a.m.

A room is available for open 12-Step Support Group Meetings for interested attendees.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Fairmont Princess Scottsdale is a luxury resort, with a varied list of available activities. Most provide the necessary equipment, have limits on the minimum number of participants, and some require appropriate attire. Activity fees range from \$60-\$275 per person. Please contact victoria.shea@americanbar.org if you are interested in learning more about the following:

- Cycling • Craft Beer Tasting • Cactus Gardening • Hiking
- Bourbon Tasting • Nighttime Astronomy • Interactive Cooking
- Tequila 101 • Horseback Trail Ride • Nutrition • Wine Tasting

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