

ANNUAL MEETING 2018

Elder Law and Special Needs Section

Tuesday, January 23, 2018 | New York Hilton Midtown

4.0 Total Credits: 3.0 Areas of Professional Practice | 1.0 Ethics

Executive Committee Meeting

10:00–12:15 p.m.
Gramercy, 2nd Floor

Committee Meetings

12:15–1:15 p.m.
Sutton Center, 2nd Floor

MCLE Program

1:30–5:40 p.m.
Trianon Ballroom

Cocktail Reception (Offsite)

*Cocktail Reception Being Sponsored by
NYSARC and RDM Financial Group*
Warwick New York Hotel, 65 West 54th Street
6:00– 8:00 p.m.

SECTION CHAIR

Martin Hersh, Esq., Law Offices of Martin Hersh, Esq., Liberty, NY

PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS

Frances M. Pantaleo, Esq., Bleakley Platt & Schmidt, LLP, White Plains, NY

Scott B. Silverberg, Esq., Steven J. Silverberg, PC, Roslyn Heights, NY

1:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Business Meeting, Elections, Section Awards, Introduction of Program, Presentation by New York Bar Foundation

2:00 – 2:50 p.m.

New York State Elder Law Update (1.0 credits in Areas of Professional Practice)

Latest developments, including updates on eligibility thresholds, analysis of recent New York cases, as well as administrative and legislative changes affecting the practice of elder law and special needs planning in New York State.

Speaker:

JulieAnn Calareso, Esq., The Shevy Law Firm, LLC, Albany, NY

2:50 – 3:40 p.m.

National Update (1.0 credits in Areas of Professional Practice)

Michael Amoruso, former Chair of the Elder Law and Special Needs Section and President-Elect of NAELA, will provide an update on federal legislative proposals which may substantially change the underpinnings of the Medicaid statute as well as recent federal and state case law which may present challenges to the future practice of elder law and special needs planning.

Speaker:

Michael J. Amoruso, Esq., Amoruso & Amoruso, LLP, Rye Brook, NY

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.

Refreshment Break

4:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Do This, Not That! (1.0 credits in Areas of Professional Practice)

Attorneys experienced in both estate planning and elder law will discuss common estate planning mistakes made by attorneys who mostly practice in the area of elder law and common elder law mistakes made by less experienced elder law attorneys and attorneys who mostly practice in the area of trusts and estates.

Speakers:

Jeffrey A. Asher, Esq., Law Offices of Jeffrey A. Asher, PLLC, New York City

Judith Nolfo McKenna, Esq., Nolfo McKenna Law Office, Albany, NY

Moderator:

Scott B. Silverberg, Esq., Steven J. Silverberg, PC, Roslyn Heights, NY

4:50 – 5:40 p.m.

Revisions to the NAELA Aspirational Standards for the Practice of Elder Law and Special Needs Law (1.0 credits in Ethics)

The National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA) has adopted Aspirational Standards for the practice of Elder Law and Special Needs Law which provide guidance to attorneys in navigating the difficult ethical issues that often arise when representing elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. These standards supplement the ethical standards adopted by each state's rules of professional conduct. After three years of study, NAELA issued revisions to these standards earlier this year. Professor Rebecca Flowers, Chair of the NAELA Committee that issued these revised standards, will provide an overview of the revisions with a focus on how these standards apply in day to day practice.

Speaker:

Roberta K. Flowers, Esq., Stetson University College of Law, Gulfport, Florida

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

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Under New York's MCLE rule, this program has been approved for a total of 3 credit hours in Areas of Professional Practice and 1 credit in Ethics. **This program will NOT qualify for credit for newly-admitted attorneys because it is not a basic practical skills program.**

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