

May 20, 2022 **SCSBA Council of School Attorneys**

8:00 - 8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast

Attorney Ethics in School Law: Collaborative Issues in Representing 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **School Districts**

> This session will address ethical considerations regarding collaboration and/or conflict when multiple attorneys engage in school district representation. There will be an update on any recent rule changes and disciplinary opinions along with a general overview of the SC Rules of Professional Conduct.

Presenter: Barbara Seymour, Esquire, Clawson and Staubes, LLC

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Awareness: Practical Information for 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. **Lawyer Well-Being**

> This session will address behavior health problems present in the legal community and attendees will have an opportunity to assess their own stress levels. The presenter will cover information related to signs of potential behavioral health concern with particular focus on alcohol and substance abuse. The presenter will also share information related to his personal journey as well as strategies for addressing these concerns. In addition, attendees will learn about educational resources related to mental health, wellness, and self-care to enhance their knowledge of their duties of competence, diligence, and honesty in the practice of law.

> Presenter: David Collier, Esquire, South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

Preparing the Case: SC Supreme Court Practice 10:45 - 11:45 a.m.

> This session will discuss the process of preparing a case before the South Carolina Supreme Court. The practitioner will specifically review the Richland County School District 2 v. Lucas matter and generally cover strategies and tips concerning framing the arguments, brief writing, and oral argument presentation.

Presenter: Carl Solomon, Esquire, The Solomon Law Group

May It Please the Court: Judicial Panel Best Practices 11:45 - 12:45 p.m.

> This session will provide tips to school law attorneys on effective practices before the Administrative Law Court, Circuit Court, Court of Appeals, and the Federal District Court. This honorable panel will discuss topics such as written submissions, motions arguments, issues in discovery, review from lower court/agency decisions, and do's and don'ts concerning judicial preferences.

> Moderator: Rasheeda Cleveland, Esquire, South Carolina School Boards Association

Panelists: Judge Milton Kimpson, Judge DeAndrea Benjamin, Judge Blake Hewitt, Judge J. Michelle Childs

Closing Remarks and Adjournment 12:45 p.m.

Light Reception to Follow