



*MCLE Commission*  
**Telephone Conference Call**  
**February 2, 2017**  
**9:15 a.m.**

## **MEETING AGENDA**

- I. Review and approval of January 5, 2017 minutes. Pages 1-3.
- II. Updates on seminars and Commission opinions.
- III. Request for an opinion from Attorney Brian Austin, Jr. whether online state ethics training offered by the Office of State Ethics for state employees qualifies for MCLE credit. **Tabled from January meeting.** Pages 4-10.
- IV. Request for an opinion from Attorney Kevin J. Greene on the following issue:
  - a. Whether conducting a seminar for non-lawyers (such as a trade organization or association) on legal issues facing that trade/industry qualifies as MCLE for the attorney that conducts the program or does it have to be a program for lawyers? **Tabled from January meeting.** Page 11.
- V. Requests for opinions from Attorneys Kristen Brandt and John Cizik whether teaching classes on legal subjects to undergraduate college students qualifies for MCLE credit. Memorandum from Attorney Elizabeth Rowe, Counsel to the Commission, regarding responses on the subject received from the National Organization of Bar Counsel Listserv. Pages 12-17.
- VI. Request for an opinion from Attorney Shari Murphy whether teaching undergraduate students ABA-accredited paralegal and pre-law studies courses qualifies for MCLE credit. Pages 18-21.

- VII. Request for an opinion from Attorney Michael Soltis whether legal blog writing qualifies for MCLE credit. Page 22.
- VIII. Request for an opinion from Attorney Marnie Rubin whether programs offered by the Internal Revenue Services and the Department of Labor qualify for MCLE credit, and whether teaching benefits law to certified public accountants qualifies for MCLE credit. Pages 23-25.
- IX. Request for an opinion from Attorney Beverly Hodgson whether attorneys who serve as full time mediators and arbitrators may take the exemption for earning less than \$1000 for the provision of legal services in a given year. Page 26.
- X. Request for an opinion from Attorney Christian Moran whether a an attorney who serves as a full time special master for the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Compensation Program is exempt from the MCLE requirement. Pages 27-28.
- XI. Update on answered questions since December 8, 2016 meeting.
- XII. Such other matters that may come before the MCLE Commission.
- XIII. Confirmation of next scheduled meeting.
- XIV. Adjournment.