



Commission on Minimum Continuing Legal Education (MCLE)

State of Connecticut Judicial Branch

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Minutes of the Meeting Commission on Minimum Continuing Legal Education September 21, 2023

On September 21, 2023, the Commission on Minimum Continuing Legal Education (“Commission”) met electronically by Teams call from 9:03 a.m. until 9:58 a.m. Members of the public were able to watch the meeting through a link to YouTube.

Members in attendance were:

Attorney Frederic Ury, co-chair
Hon. Anna Ficeto, co-chair
Hon. Daniel Klau
Hon. Shari Murphy
Hon. Elizabeth Stewart
Attorney Lawrence F. Morizio
Attorney Rosemarie Paine
Attorney Louis R. Pepe

Also in attendance was Attorney Elizabeth M. Rowe, Counsel to the Commission, Attorney Melissa Farley of External Affairs, Attorney Tashun Bowden-Lewis, Attorney Andrew O’Shea, Attorney Deborah Sullivan and Attorney John Cizik from the Office of the Chief Public Defender.

- I. The Commission approved the minutes of the May 4, 2023 meeting.
- II. The Commission discussed a revised proposal from Attorney Jonathan Weiner, chair, CBA Civics Education Committee, to amend Practice Book §2-27A(b)(7) expanding the MCLE rule permitting up to 4 hours per year of MCLE credit for judging or coaching mock trials and moot court to include “high school or undergraduate” competitions. The MCLE Commission did not change its position on the matter.
- III. The Commission reviewed and considered a request for an opinion from the Office of the Chief Public Defender regarding whether an attorney may claim MCLE credit for attending 24 hours of mandatory racial equity training. The Commission tabled the matter and appointed a subcommittee to review the training materials and prepare a proposed opinion.
- IV. The Commission thereafter adjourned.