

"Playing Your Cards Right" – CLEreg Mid-Year Conference January 27 – 29, 2008 Las Vegas, NV

With something for everyone, Las Vegas is home to Red Rock Canyon, the Hoover Dam, Elviso-rama, the Neon Museum, and a concentration of casinos, famous lounge acts, showgirls, and recreations of many of the world's most famous tourist attractions such as the Eiffel Tower and great Pyramids. Come see for yourself.

Our Hotel: Green Valley Ranch Resort

2300 Paseo Verde Parkway Henderson, NV 89052

Owned by Station Casinos, Green Valley Ranch is a Four Diamond resort with a Mediterraneanstyle hotel. The Resort's 8-acre contemporary oasis has a breathtaking view of the Las Vegas Strip, and is home to nine restaurants, a ten-screen movie theater, and 70 shops, boutiques, and restaurants in the neighboring District. It is an escape that combines exciting casino action with the pampering and relaxation of a luxury resort and spa.

For hotel reservations, call (702) 617-7777, **before January 4, 2008,** and request the ACLEA group rate of \$189.00 plus a \$20.00 resort fee per night. The resort fee includes: transportation to and from the airport, transportation back and forth to the Las Vegas strip, and access to the resort's health club and spa.

Transportation:

The Green Valley Ranch Resort is approximately 8 miles (12 minutes) from the McCarran International Airport (LAS). Green Valley Ranch offers a complimentary shuttle service to and from McCarran Airport and the Las Vegas Strip. The shuttle runs on a published schedule and is available to the first ten people at each destination. At McCarran Airport the shuttle picks up and drops off guests at the Zero Level, located down the escalators behind the Baggage Claim Information Desk. Taxi and limousine service can be booked through hotel guest services at (702) 617-7777. Taxi fares from the airport to the Resort are approximately \$24 one-way.

CLEreg Networking Dinner: Canaletto Restaurant at the Venetian - Monday Evening, January 28th

3355 Las Vegas Blvd. South

Phone: (702) 414-1000 or (877) 883-6423

The Canaletto Ristorante Veneto is an Italian jewel located in The Venetian Resort and Casino, in the heart of St. Mark's Square. Part of the Il Fornaio family of restaurants, the European architecture will transport you to another world. Cost is \$85 per person including transportation by chartered bus and one drink with dinner. (Pre-registration required.)

AGENDA & CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 27

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Committee meetings

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Registration

5:30 pm Meet in lobby for newcomer's dinner

Monday, January 28

8:00 am – 9:00am CLEreg Registration Open & Continental Breakfast Begins

9:00 am – 10:00 am CLEreg Business Meeting

10:00 am – 10:15 am Break

10:15 am – 11:45 am Now Showing: The Best of Distance Learning

→ Presented by Dan Levering (PA) and Katey Buggy (PA)

See demonstrations of distance delivery methods such as on demand, pod cast, teleconference, live web cast, satellite, and self-study. How do you determine the academic value of distance learning programs? Why are some states approving them but others are not? Are there advantages or disadvantages to having separate caps for distance learning methods? Is there a value to making people continue to show up in person? Discuss accreditation and compliance issues including how to track participation. What about midnight courses? Look at statistics and evaluations available from some states regarding use of distance learning

11:45 am – 1:15 pm Lunch on Your Own

1:15 pm - 2:00 pm Round Table Discussions: Set 1

Topic 1: The House Rules Apply: Accreditation of Programs Moderators: Gale Cartwright (VA) and Donette Welch (SC)

How do we apply our rules to the applications we review? This session will focus on evaluating content of programs with particular examination of challenging issues. Facilitators will provide scenarios addressing applications that are difficult to approve. The group will discuss the decision and rationale for why to approve or not. Once a difficult to accredit program is approved, what kind of follow up might take place?

Topic 2: Stacking the Deck: Working with Your Board **★**Moderator: Holly Hitchcock (RI)

Regulator's jobs vary from state to state, in part due to the range of involvement of the board or commission that oversees the regulator's work and decisions. Because there are no right or wrong answers for how to best work with your board, this session will look at areas of similarity or differences in board participation and guidance. Which issues, questions or problems do you take to the board? Which do you resolve yourself? Regulators and board members will discuss a variety of ways to get the work done and when it might make sense for the board to be more involved or to delegate more authority to the regulator. This session will promote candid discussion on creating and maintaining helpful relationships between regulators and board members.

2:00 pm - 2:15 pm Break

2:15 pm - 3:00 pm Round Table Discussions: Set 2 (Switch groups)

3:00 pm – 3:10 pm Groups report back

5:00 pm Gather in Lobby to take chartered bus to dinner

6:00 pm – 8:00pm CLEreg Networking Dinner at Canaletto at the Venetian

Tuesday, January 29

8:00 am – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast

9:00 am – 10:00 am **Frankie to Celine: A Discussion on Bridge the Gap Programs**

→ Presented by Anita Hamlett (AL) and Nancy Smith (TX)

States diverge in approaches to new attorney requirements. While some require professionalism and ethics courses, others require skills based programs. Some states have eliminated or reduced new attorney requirements while others have traded new attorney requirements for pre-admission requirements that fall under the Bar Examiners' jurisdiction rather than MCLE. This session will discuss pros and cons of these different approaches and consider the PR challenges of changing course and what happens to people caught in the change.

10:00 am – 10:15 am Break



10:15 am − 11:15 am **Tossing the Dice: Communication for the Regulator ♦ Presented by Shelley Sutton**

Who are we communicating with as regulators? As regulators we must present a variety of messages to differing target audiences. In this session, we will discuss some of our best practices to communicate our message. Is it effective to use the same format for all audiences? Is technology always the best choice to deliver your message? Join us as we roll the dice to find some of the best ideas to take back to the office and put into play.

11:15 am – 11:30 am Evaluations and Prize Drawing (must be present to win)

11:30 am Conference Adjourns -- Lunch on Your Own

11:20 am – 12:00 pm Vancouver Planning Committee Meets

New volunteers are always welcome!

Special Thanks to our Las Vegas Planning Committee

Katey Buggy (PA) Cindy Chaffin (KS) Anita Hamlett (AL)
Holly Hitchcock (RI) Sydnie Kuhre (UT) Dan Levering (PA)
Anita Otero (NM) Donette Welch (SC)

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OPTIONAL ACLEA COURSES- Advance Registration Required

Sunday, January 27 The "Graying of America" - What It Means for You and Your Members 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm - and How It Can Enhance Your Programming and Your Budget

Tuesday, January 29 Working the Room: Creating Meaningful Conversations 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Tuesday, January 29 Unsolicited Emails and Privacy Policies - Do's and Don'ts 2:45 pm - 3:45 pm

PLAN AHEAD

Mark your calendar! Get your passport now! CLEreg Annual Conference 2008

August 3 - 5, 2008

<u>Hyatt Regency Vancouver</u>

Vancouver, BC, Canada

Among the luxury hotels of British Columbia, the Hyatt Regency Vancouver is conveniently located in the heart of downtown adjacent to the Royal Centre Mall. Local attractions include Stanley Park, historic Gastown, Granville Island, the Capilano Suspension Bridge & Park, and the Vancouver Aquarium.

Meeting Highlights to include:

- → Back by popular demand: Dave Shearon on using positive psychology in the regulatory workplace.
- ♦ Wellness for regulators: productive ways to handle stress
- **♦** Addressing aging attorney populations
- **♦** Discussion on Lawyer Compliance
- ♦ Working with Sponsors to implement Quality Assurance Controls

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CLEreg will refund the conference registration fee (except for a \$50 processing fee) or the dinner reservations for Monday night (except for a \$10 processing fee), if we receive a written cancellation and request for a refund on or before Wednesday, January 16, 2008. Refunds on ACLEA events are subject to ACLEA refund policies. No refunds will be given on cancellations received after January 16, 2008.