

Free CLE Opportunity for Attorneys: Military Legal Assistance Issues

American Bar Association Standing Committee on Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (LAMP) and the Virginia State Bar Military Law Section (MLS)

Thursday, 15 March 2012

George Mason University School of Law, Arlington, Virginia

HOST: George Mason University School of Law

WHAT: An educational program for lawyers on: current developments and best practices in consumer litigation; the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and how to recognize violations and protect your clients from abuses; avoiding auto fraud by understanding the basics of how cars are sold and financed, the legal claims that commonly occur, and the steps that can be taken to protect against deceptive practices; a current snapshot of cutting-edge issues for the family law practitioner on the evolving interface between domestic relations and the SCRA; how the Boards for Correction of Military/Naval Records (BCMR) function, and the attorney disciplinary process, myths and misconceptions about it; and practical ways to avoid bar complaints.

See page 2 for Program Schedule. MCLE accreditation has been requested from every jurisdiction with MCLE requirements. Earn up to six hours of CLE credit, including one hour of Ethics.

WHO: This program is designed for military attorneys working in legal assistance as well as civilian lawyers whose practices involve military clients or issues. Attendees from all installations in Virginia and elsewhere are welcome.

WHERE: George Mason University School of Law
3301 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA
Registered attendees will be provided direction information.

WHEN: 15 March 2012. The CLE program will commence with registration beginning at 0800.

HOW: **Register in advance online** by visiting http://bit.ly/LAMP_CLE_March_2012

COST: **Free** for active duty judge advocates, federal civilian legal assistance attorneys, government attorneys, and members of the Virginia State Bar Military Law Section (MLS). If you are a civilian attorney who would like to attend and are not currently a member of the MLS, you may join by filling out the form here: http://www.vsb.org/docs/ML_Section_Reg_Form.pdf. There is a \$20 membership fee.

MATERIALS: Participants are encouraged to download free CLE program materials, beginning 6 March 2012 and will be emailed information on downloading materials.

LUNCH: Lunch on your own.

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0800 – 0830	Registration
0830 – 0845	Welcome
0845 – 0945	Federal Consumer Litigation Leonard A. Bennett, Consumer Litigation Associates PC, Newport News, VA
0945 – 0955	Break
0955 – 1055	Fair Debt Collection Dale Pittman, The Law Office of Dale W. Pittman, P.C., Petersburg, VA
1055 – 1155	Auto Fraud Thomas D. Domonoske J.D., Fairfield Center, Harrisonburg, VA
1155 – 1330	Lunch on own
1330 – 1430	Family Law and the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act Mark Sullivan, Law Offices of Mark Sullivan P.A., Raleigh, NC
1430 – 1440	Break
1440 – 1540	The Boards for Correction of Military/Naval Records (BCMR) John Taitt, Army Review Boards Agency
1540 – 1640	Avoiding Bar Complaints (Ethics) Edward L. Davis, Virginia State Bar, Richmond, VA

Registration Deadline: 9 March 2012