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THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2008

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| 7:30 | REGISTRATION (All attendees must check in upon arrival. A removable sweater or jacket is recommended.) | 11:45 | BREAK |
| 8:25 | OPENING REMARKS
<i>Kurt A. Kegel</i> , Chair, Family Law Section, State Bar of Georgia; <i>Davis, Matthews & Quigley, P.C.</i> , Atlanta | 12:00 | SPECIAL ISSUES FOR SMALL TOWN PRACTICE: PANEL DISCUSSION
Moderator: <i>John F. Lyndon</i> , Attorney at Law, Athens
Panelists:
<i>Hon. Hulane E. George</i> , Judge, Superior Court, Ocmulgee Circuit, Milledgeville
<i>Hon. Ronnie Joe Lane</i> , Judge, Superior Court, Pataula Circuit, Donalsonville
<i>Regina M. Quick</i> , Regina M. Quick, P.C., Athens
<i>Russell W. "Rusty" Smith</i> , Sanders & Smith, P.C., Toccoa |
| 8:30 | DIRECT EXAMINATION OF BUSINESS VALUATION EXPERT
<i>K. Paul Johnson</i> , McCorkle & Johnson LLP, Savannah
<i>Martin S. Varon</i> , CPA, CVA, JD, CEBS, Alternative Resolution Methods, Inc., Smyrna | 1:00 | RECESS |
| 9:30 | BREAK | 2:30 | TENNIS TOURNAMENT |
| 9:45 | NATIONAL TRENDS IN FAMILY LAW
<i>John C. Mayoue</i> , Warner, Mayoue, Bates & Nolen, P.C., Atlanta | 5:45 | YLD RECEPTION |
| 10:45 | DAUBERT CHALLENGES OF EXPERT WITNESSES BEFORE AND DURING TRIAL
<i>Hon. J. Stephen Schuster</i> , Judge, Superior Court of Cobb County, Marietta
<i>David S. Givelber</i> , Cohen, Pollock, Merlin & Small, P.C., Atlanta
<i>Nancy F. Lawler</i> , Cohen, Pollock, Merlin & Small, P.C., Atlanta | 6:30 | WELCOME RECEPTION |

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 20088:30 **HOT TIPS FROM THE EXPERTS**

Moderator: *Shiel G. Edlin*, Stern & Edlin, P.C., Atlanta

- **Stick With What Works**
Richard M. Nolen, Warner, Mayoue, Bates & Nolen, P.C., Atlanta
- **Statistics**
Stephen C. Steele, Moore, Ingram, Johnson & Steele, LLP, Atlanta
- **Cell-Phone Tower Tracking; Integrating Third-Party Discovery**
Tina Shadix Roddenbery, Kidd & Vaughn, LLP, Atlanta
- **Personal Injury Proceeds in Divorce**
R. Scot Kraeuter, Savage Turner Pinson & Karsman, Savannah
- **How to Seal the Deal**
Jonathan R. Levine, Levine & Smith, LLC, Atlanta
- **How to Keep the G.A.L. from Killing Your Case**
Karen Brown Williams, Attorney at Law, Atlanta
- **Railroad Retirement Division in Divorce**
B. Seth Harp, Harp & Associates, P.C., Columbus
- **Waiver and Preservation of Attorney-Client Privilege**
Frank A. DeVincent, Davis, Matthews & Quigley, P.C., Atlanta
- **Virtual Visitation**
Jonathan J. Tuggle, Warner, Mayoue, Bates & Nolen, P.C., Atlanta
- **Requests for Admissions in Domestic Cases**
Carol Ann Walker, Attorney at Law, Gainesville

- 9:30 **ARE YOU SMARTER THAN AN APPELLATE JUDGE? INTELLIGENT PRACTICE IN THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS**
Hon. Anne Elizabeth Barnes, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals, Atlanta
Hon. John H. Ruffin, Jr., Judge, Court of Appeals, Atlanta
Hon. Bensonetta T. Lane, Judge, Fulton County Superior Court, Atlanta
Hon. J. D. Smith, Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia, Gainesville
Hon. Gail S. Tusan, Judge, Fulton County Superior Court, Atlanta
Hon. Cynthia D. Wright, Judge, Fulton County Superior Court, Atlanta
Mary Beth Hebert, Attorney at Law, Atlanta
Susan A. Hurst, Bogart & Bogart, Atlanta
Jeanney M. Kutner, Attorney at Law, Atlanta
Steven P. Shewmaker, Of Counsel to Lynch & Shuman, Atlanta

10:45 **BREAK**

11:00 **UNIFORM FAMILY LAWS AND GEORGIA: OPPORTUNITIES AWAIT**
Prof. Paul M. Kurtz, Associate Dean, University of Georgia School of Law, Athens

12:00 **ATTORNEYS FEES IN DOMESTIC CASES: ETHICS AND PRACTICE**
Hon. Jeffrey S. Bagley, Chief Judge, Superior Court, Bell-Forsyth Judicial Circuit, Cumming
Rebecca L. Crumrine, Davis, Matthews & Quigley, P.C., Atlanta
Leigh F. Cummings, Warner, Mayoue, Bates & Nolen, P.C., Atlanta
Paula J. Frederick, Office of General Counsel, State Bar of Georgia, Atlanta

1:00 **RECESS**1:30 **GOLF TOURNAMENT**6:30 **SECTION RECEPTION**

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2008

- 8:30 **OUT OF THE KETTLE AND INTO THE FIRE: WHEN DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES BECOME CRIMINAL CASES**
Brian Steel, The Steel Law Firm, P.C., Atlanta
- 9:30 **BREAK**
- 9:45 **GEORGIA'S NEW CHILD CUSTODY STATUTE (H.B. 369) – PROVING THE "FACTORS"**
Susan Warren Cox, Edenfield, Cox, Bruce & Classens, P. C., Statesboro
Hon. Daniel J. Craig, Judge, Superior Court, Augusta Circuit, Augusta
Hon. Sheryl B. Jolly, Judge, Superior Court, Augusta Judicial Circuit, Augusta
J. Andrew Tisdale, Tisdale Law Firm, Evans
- 10:45 **REAL ESTATE ISSUES IN DIVORCE**
Kurt A. Kegel
Kelly A. Miles, Smith, Gilliam, Williams & Miles. P.A., Gainesville
- 11:45 **BREAK**
- 12:00 **CASE LAW UPDATE AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**
Marvin L. Solomiany, Kessler, Schwarz & Solomiany, P.C., Atlanta
Victor P. Valmus, Moore, Ingram, Johnson & Steele, LLP, Atlanta
- 1:00 **ADJOURN**

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