



The State Bar of Georgia Young Lawyers Division Women in the Profession Committee celebrates the 100th anniversary of the first woman licensed to practice law in Georgia.

WOMEN LAWYERS RETREAT

BLUE RIDGE, GA • OCT. 6-9

Escape to Blue Ridge
Registration ends Friday, Sept. 23.

Workshop Overview

THURSDAY, OCT. 6

3 p.m. Departure from State Bar of Georgia
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Retreat Welcome Reception

FRIDAY, OCT. 7

7:30 - 8:40 a.m. Morning Yoga
9:30 - 11 a.m. Breakfast + Creating Your Own
Professional Development Path: Strategies
and Tips for Navigating Your Career in
Today's Legal Market
11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Avoiding Legal Malpractice
12:30 - 3 p.m. Lunch and Apple Picking
at Mercier Orchards
3:30 - 9 p.m. Team Building, CLE & Dinner

SATURDAY, OCT. 8

9 - 10 a.m. Breakfast + Trial Advocacy for Women
The Art of Self-Promotion
10 - 11 a.m. How Women Help Women Succeed
11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Lunch
12 - 2 p.m. Explore Blue Ridge
2 - 6 p.m. Dinner at Black Sheep Blue Ridge
7 - 9 p.m. Lawyer Horror Stories: Best Practices for
Confronting Gender Diversity & Inclusion
9:30 - 10:30 p.m. Issues with Professionalism & Civility

SUNDAY, OCT. 9

6:45 a.m. Sunrock Mountain Sunrise Walk
and Quiet Reflection
10 - 11:30 a.m. Inspiration Breakfast
12 p.m. Departure from Blue Ridge, GA
1:30 p.m. Arrival at State Bar of Georgia

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Schedule

THURSDAY, OCT. 6

 3 p.m. | Departure from State Bar of Georgia
104 Marietta St. Atlanta, GA 30303

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Retreat Welcome Reception

Join us for the retreat opening wine and sangria reception and light bites at Vine Wine Bar. Get to know women lawyers along for the retreat and local women attorneys in the Appalachian Circuit. Receive a proper welcome to Blue Ridge from Angela DeLorme, who became the first woman lawyer in Fannin County when she began practicing in 1984.



FRIDAY, OCT. 7

7:30 - 8:40 a.m.

Morning Yoga

Get your day started on the right path with morning yoga in your cabin.

9:30 - 11 a.m.

Breakfast + Creating Your Own Professional Development Path: Strategies and Tips for Navigating Your Career in Today's Legal Market

Susan Campbell, *Director of Talent, Counsel On Call*
Ellen Taylor, *Talent Manager, Counsel On Call*

In recent years, the legal market has changed—law firms and corporate legal departments are devoting fewer resources to traditional professional development. It is increasingly important for women lawyers to take charge of their own careers, think beyond billable hours and find creative ways to make a name for themselves. Counsel On Call will discuss different approaches to building your professional network, developing clients, finding mentors and navigating career transitions.

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11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Avoiding Legal Malpractice, Linley Jones

**1 hour ethics CLE credit.*

12:30 - 3 p.m.

Lunch and Apple Picking at Mercier Orchards

Hon. Amanda Mercier of the Court of Appeals of Georgia welcomes you to Blue Ridge with apple picking and hay rides at her family's apple orchard, Mercier Orchards. Pick your own apples to bake in a yummy dessert with Judge Mercier, a native of the Blue Ridge area, during the teambuilding session later in the day.

Mercier Orchards



Schedule

3:30 - 9 p.m. Team Building, CLE & Dinner

Retreat attendees will break into small groups and rotate through the following four sessions before sitting down for a relaxed, informal dinner with Judge Mercier and Judge Mary Elizabeth Priest.



Join us for a cooking session with Bright Seed Chef Philip Meeker



Teambuilding: Cooking with Hon. Amanda Mercier, Court of Appeals of Georgia and Chef Philip Meeker, Bright Seed

Join us for small group teambuilding session with Court of Appeals Judge Amanda Mercier and personal chef Philip Meeker of Bright Seed. Participants will make an entrée, side items and dessert in small groups. Philip was classically trained in French cuisine at l'Ecole Superieur de Cuisine Francais Gregoire-Ferrandi in Paris. Most recently, he was the opening chef for Kimball House, which was named Southern Living's Best New Restaurant in the South during his tenure. While there, he designed the restaurant's edible organic garden.

Aggressive/Assertive/Passive: Highlighting the Strengths of Women

Susan Kupferberg

Join us for small group sessions with recovering lawyer and psychologist Susan Kupferberg. Participants will examine and discuss workplace behavior and communication styles, and utilize self-assessments and exercises to increase self-awareness. The goal of the workshop will be to help participants identify and accentuate the positive characteristics they bring to the workplace, while also increasing awareness of ways in which they might improve effectiveness in communicating with clients, colleagues and opposing counsel, particularly with regard to assertiveness.

**1 hour professionalism CLE credit.*

Court Appointed Special Advocate

Join us for a small group session to learn about the Appalachian Judicial Circuit CASA volunteer program, and the statewide Georgia program. CASA provides training to community volunteers who are appointed by judges to speak up for the best interests of abused or neglected children in juvenile court. CASA was the recipient of monies raised for the YLD Signature Fundraiser in 2013, and will be the recipient of funds raised for this year's YLD Signature Fundraiser.

** 1 hour general CLE credit.*

Circuit Riding 101

Join Hon. Mary Elizabeth Priest, Superior Court Judge for the Appalachian Judicial Circuit (Gilmer, Fannin and Pickens counties), to learn the benefits of circuit riding, practicing law near border states, and how women lawyers can become big fish in small ponds. In addition, attendees will learn about the opportunities available and the path to serving multiple communities.

SATURDAY, OCT. 8

9 - 10 a.m.

Breakfast + Trial Advocacy for Women

Class? . . . on a Saturday?! Take a step back in time to your law school days and learn trial advocacy tips from your favorite law school professor.

* 1 hour trial CLE credit.

10 - 11 a.m.

The Art of Self-Promotion

In this program based on her book, Debby Stone reveals the secrets to mastering the art of self-promotion and explains why this is a critical skill at every stage of a lawyer's career path. Debby will guide attending lawyers toward becoming more graceful, authentic and confident self-promoters. Her messages about key mindsets and the components of masterful self-promotion stories as well as her practical strategies for implementing the art of self-promotion are applicable to all women lawyers including associates, in-house counsel, solo practitioners, recent law school graduates and firm partners. Participants will receive a free copy of the book, "The Art of Self-Promotion."

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

How Women Help Women Succeed

Mentoring is key to career development. Learn how to serve as a mentor and how to obtain a mentor. If you find that your mentoring relationship is not moving to the next level, figure out why in the "She Said, She Said" point of view analysis to gain an understanding of scenarios from the mentor's point of view vs. from the mentee's point of view.

12 - 2 p.m. | Lunch

2 - 6 p.m.

Explore Blue Ridge

Areas for exploration include: Blue Ridge Scenic Railway, Blue Ridge Shopping on Main Street, Teatrees Boutique Spa in cabin massage, Lilypad adventures hiking, Blue Ridge Mountains Trail Rides at Hells Hollow Adventure Post and Blue Ridge Zipline and Canopy Tours

7 - 9 p.m. | Dinner at Black Sheep Blue Ridge

9:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Lawyer Horror Stories: Best Practices for Confronting Gender Diversity & Inclusion Issues with Professionalism & Civility

Join the Women in the Profession Committee around the campfire for s'mores and hear spooky lawyer horror stories experienced by women lawyers in their practice. Attorneys will use anecdotal examples to discuss models of behavior and professional values to be promoted in responding to difficult opposing counsel, other attorneys in the workplace, and/or clients regarding issues related to gender discrimination. Attendees will be encouraged to participate in the discussions.

*1 hour professionalism CLE credit.

SUNDAY, OCT. 9

6:45 a.m. | Sunrock Mountain Sunrise Walk & Quiet Reflection

10 - 11:30 a.m.

Inspiration Breakfast

Join the committee for an interactive inspiration breakfast where participants will work in groups to put the skills learned during the retreat to use. Attendees will hear from prominent women lawyers on advice they would give their younger selves as well as advice they would give to young women lawyers practicing today, so that attendees will leave feeling inspired!



12 p.m. | Departure from Blue Ridge, GA

1:30 p.m. | Arrival at State Bar of Georgia
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Accommodations and Registration

ACCOMODATIONS

Escape to Blue Ridge

<http://escapetoblueridge.com/>

Blue Ridge, Georgia, is set against the beautiful backdrop of the Appalachian Mountains. An accessible escape, Blue Ridge is 90 minutes from Atlanta and a day's drive from five Southeastern states. It's a peaceful place where starry nights still dazzle and life revolves around simple pleasures...relaxing by the fire, walking through the woods, teaching a child to fish.

While the architecture, décor and locations of our homes reflect the mountain cabin tradition, they're hardly rustic. With stunning views and gourmet kitchens, game rooms and hot tubs, they exceed the "home away from home" concept.

Escape to Blue Ridge Sunrock Mountain Cabins

Some cabins may include sharing a room with other women. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate guests for this retreat. All registered attendees must be lawyers or law students. In addition, king size beds are not available for all cabins, and some sleeping accommodations may include other size beds. *(Cabins will be assigned at the conclusion of registration.)*



REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.GEORGIAAYLD.ORG.

Registration Deadline is Sept. 23.

There will not be an early registration, and we can only accommodate refunds through this registration deadline of Sept. 23.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

The Retreat Package

The retreat package includes transportation to and from Blue Ridge, accommodations and attendance at all sessions.

- Retreat Package w/o CLE credit ___ \$295
- Retreat Package w/ CLE credit ___ \$395

The Session Package

The session package includes attendance to all sessions, but excludes all transportation to and from Blue Ridge and accommodations. Attendee will have to make independent arrangements. *(Please note: the morning yoga, teambuilding rotation, The Art of Self-Promotion and Lawyer Horror Stories are only available to attendees who purchase the retreat package. These events are not available to those who purchase the session package.)*

- Session Package w/o CLE credit ___ \$195
- Session Package w/ CLE credit ___ \$295