



2023 Annual Ethics and Professionalism Update: Scary Tales of Unprofessional & Unethical Conduct

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Professor Ellen Podgor: Tricked or Treated: White Collar Ethics Issues for the Unwary Lawyer. A former deputy prosecutor and criminal defense attorney, Professor Ellen S. Podgor teaches in the areas of white-collar crime, criminal law and criminal procedure: adjudication. She has previously taught other courses, such as professional responsibility, international criminal law, criminal procedure, law and sexual orientation seminar, and trial advocacy. She served as Stetson's inaugural Associate Dean of Faculty Development and Electronic Education and also served as a LeRoy Highbaugh Sr. Research Chair and presently serves as the Gary R. Trombley Family White-Collar Crime Research Professor. She is the co-author of numerous books, has been interviewed on National Public Radio and been quoted in newspapers across the



Andrew J. Oppenheim: Villainy or Virtue: Unmask Your Client's Story to Avoid Unethical Surprises. As a member of Shumaker's Litigation and Disputes Service Line, Andrew practices in the areas of commercial and business litigation. Driven and practical, he counsels his clients through numerous phases of litigation, as well as interviews key witnesses during depositions, prepares discovery, motions, and other court-required documentation, and pre-trial preparation. He also has experience in the areas of insurance defense and construction litigation. Having an undergraduate education in economics and business has allowed Andrew an opportunity to approach problems with an eye towards real-world, economical solutions. Away from the office, Andrew enjoys socializing with friends, playing golf and hockey, and traveling.



established record for resolving high conflict cases and high net worth litigation.

Marck Joseph: Toil or Trouble: Ensuring that Technology Works Ethically for You. Marck is the founder and owner of The Joseph Firm, a South Florida-based practice focusing exclusively on Marital and Family Law. His strong passion for justice has resolved hundreds of cases for clients, involving divorce, alimony, equitable distribution, paternity (establishment and disestablishment), time-sharing (custody/visitation rights), child support, and domestic violence. He is a Florida Supreme Court-certified family mediator and collaborative law practitioner. Marck also serves on various committees, including the 11th Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee, the Family Law Rules Committee, and the Florida Bar Family Law Sections Legislative Committee. The Joseph Firm has been trusted by national celebrities and maintains an



Gwen Daniel: Hocus or Pocus: How to Prevent & Defend Professionalism and Ethics Complaints. Gwen Daniel (formerly Gwen Hinkle) joined Smith and Tozian, P.A. in 1998 as an associate attorney and became a law partner in 2007. Gwen has represented lawyers at every stage of the Florida Bar disciplinary process and has handled over a hundred character and fitness hearings before the Florida Board of Bar Examiners. In addition to regulatory defense, Gwen works as private ethics counsel helping lawyers evaluate law firm practice questions and assisting Bar applicants proactively mitigate potential character and fitness issues.



Ret. Judge Greg Holder: Friend or Fiend: Building & Maintaining your Reputation Ethically & with Professionalism (with Judge Lamar Battles). Judge Holder is a Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Civil Mediator and Retired Florida Circuit Court Judge. He is an experienced mediator/arbitrator skilled in Trials, Appeals, Trial Practice, Public Speaking, and investigations. He graduated from Stetson University College of Law and holds an MBA degree from University of West Florida and engineering degree from the United States Military Academy at West Point. At Zinober Diana Monteverde, PA, he focuses his practice in the areas of mediation and arbitration. He also is available to serve as a Special Master for the Courts as well as an expert witness in the areas of civil litigation, fees, and ethics.



Ret. Judge Emmett (Lamar) Battles is an experienced former trial judge skilled in Trials, Trial Practice and Advocacy, Mediation, Arbitration, and Public Speaking. He graduated from Florida Southern College (B.A. – Cum Laude), University of Florida College of Law (With Honors) and U. S. Army Judge Advocate General's School (Graduate Course, LLM Equivalent, Commandant's List). At Zinober Diana and Monteverde, P.A., he focuses his practice in the areas of mediation and arbitration. He is available to serve as a Special Master for the Courts as well as an expert witness in the areas of civil litigation, fees, and ethics.