



COVID-19 v. The Constitution: The New Normal?

2020 Constitutional Rights & Responsibilities Section CLE

Thursday, December 3, 2020
Live Webcast

North Carolina: 6.00 MCLE Hours

Includes:

1.00 Substance Abuse/Mental Health

Planned by the NCBA Constitutional Rights & Responsibilities Section

In 2020, the COVID-19 crisis has raised new constitutional issues that have not been seen in court in quite some time. This CLE not only brings the constitutional practitioner current, recent North Carolina and SCOTUS significant decisions of this year but also brings the practitioner up to date on the COVID-19 wars, including the federal First Amendment law on protesting in a pandemic and the state “fruits of one’s labor” clause litigation update from the front.

This is a CLE you don’t want to miss.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2020
8:55 A.M.–4:00 P.M.

8:55 Welcome and Introductions

**9:00 2020 Cases from the North Carolina Supreme Court
Former Justice Edmunds Jr., Former Justice Jackson
and Shelton**

Listen as the panel reviews 2020 cases from the Supreme Court of North Carolina that provides context for the presentations later in the program. Troy Shelton, a Fox Rothschild associate whose practice focuses on state and federal appeals, gives an overview of the most salient constitutional law opinions issued by the Supreme Court of North Carolina. Former Justices Jackson and Edmunds also call on their experiences on the bench to discuss particular aspects of Supreme Court practice.

10:30 Break

**10:40 2020 Cases from the United States Supreme Court
Parker**

Hear a review the significant cases from the October 2019 term of the SCOTUS, preview significant cases in the October 2020 term and discuss the implications for the future of the court following the death of Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

12:10 Lunch Break

**12:40 Litigating COVID-19 Issues in North Carolina
Castro, Doran, Kasper and Kitchen**

During this session, the speakers discuss the front of currently pending COVID-19 cases from the barricades.

1:40 Break

**1:50 COVID-19 and the First Amendment
Joyce and Martin**

COVID-19 restrictions on group meetings have brought new law to the First Amendment, including right to assemble and right to worship. Review the law and its meaning for practitioners.

2:50 Break

**3:00 Best Mental Health Practices in a COVID-19
Environment†
Ellington and Hicks**

COVID-19 has remade the practice of law and created new mental health stresses for practitioners. Help is on the way.

4:00 Adjourn

SPEAKERS

- Former Justice Robert H. Edmunds Jr., Fox Rothschild LLP, Greensboro
- Former Justice Barbara A. Jackson, North Carolina Supreme Court, Raleigh
- Brian F. Castro, Womble Bond Dickinson (US) LLP, Winston-Salem
- Jeanette K. Doran, North Carolina Institute for Constitutional Law, Raleigh
- Nicole “Nicki” Ellington, North Carolina Lawyer Assistance Program, Raleigh
- Richard Hicks, HRC Behavioral Health & Psychiatry PA, Chapel Hill
- Robert P. Joyce, UNC School of Government, Chapel Hill
- Andrew A. Kasper, North Carolina Department of Revenue, Raleigh
- S. Chuck Kitchen, Kitchen & Turrentine PLLC, Raleigh
- C. Amanda Martin, Stevens Martin Vaughn & Tadych PLLC, Raleigh
- Wilson Parker, Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem
- Troy D. Shelton, Fox Rothschild LLP, Raleigh

PLANNERS

- Former Justice Robert N. “Bob” Hunter Jr., Higgins Benjamin PLLC, Greensboro
- Tommy Odom, The Odom Firm PLLC, Charlotte

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