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Virginia State Bar

CLE1: Mapping Virginia's Changing Legal Landscape: Driving Factors, Technological Considerations, and Shaping the Future

This dynamic CLE dives into the rapidly changing legal landscape across the Commonwealth, shaped by demographic shifts, economic pressures, and critical attorney shortages—especially in rural and underserved communities. Leveraging insights from the groundbreaking *Entry, Growth, and Distribution of Virginia Attorneys (EGAD) Report*, participants will uncover the realities of attorney distribution, explore the rise of legal deserts, and examine the forces influencing where and how lawyers choose to practice. The program goes beyond the numbers to tackle the economic and licensure challenges impacting access to justice, while spotlighting technology's transformative role—from digitized courts and remote practice to the promise and perils of AI. Attendees will leave with actionable strategies, innovative practice models, and forward-thinking solutions to strengthen legal services statewide.

This course is sponsored by the Access to Legal Services Committee and the Committee on Technology and the Future Practice of Law and has been approved for **2.0 hours Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 4, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 2A: Impacting Tomorrow's Legacies: Essential Strategies for Intellectual Property in Estate Planning and Administration

Explore the intersection of estate planning and intellectual property and learn how to plan for the transfer of intangible assets, including how to identify and value intellectual property assets, draft transfer provisions, identify tax and regulatory considerations, address royalties, assignments, and disputes among beneficiaries, and learn what went wrong with a few celebrity estates.

This course is sponsored by the VSB Intellectual Property Section and has been approved for **1.0 hour Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 4, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 3: What Does It Mean to Be a Practice-Ready Lawyer? Insights from Virginia Law School Deans and the Law School Accreditation Council

Hear a robust discussion with Justice Melissa Hart, Chair-Elect of the Accreditation Council, and Virginia law school deans. Panelists will delve into the current state of legal education and recent trends, with a focus on how well law schools prepare students to practice law. Other topics will include whether the bar exam effectively measures lawyer readiness, and how the legal community can contribute to the professional growth and development of new lawyers.

This course is sponsored by the VSB Section on the Education of Lawyers in Virginia and the Young Lawyers Section and has been approved for **1.5 hours Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit, including 1.5 hours ethics**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 5, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 4A: Legal Education, Bar Admission, Access to Justice and Maximizing Performance: How Do These Fit Together and How Can Practitioners Get Involved?

An interactive panel will discuss where we are and where we're heading in Virginia regarding: (1) the way we educate and admit new lawyers to the VSB; (2) the provision of legal services in "legal deserts" and how technology can play a key role, (3) changes to MCLE approval processes and requirements and (4) mental health and wellness initiatives focused on "maximizing performance" as judges, lawyers, law students and legal staff. The discussion will include information on how practicing and retired lawyers can get involved.

This course is sponsored by the VSB MCLE Board, Committee on Technology and the Future Practice of Law, and former Entry Growth and Distribution Committee and has been approved for **1.0 hour Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit, including 0.5 hour ethics**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 5, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 4B: Helping Clients Maneuver Catastrophic Medical Events; Can Bankruptcy Be Avoided?

There is a tension between senior living and bankruptcy when someone is faced with significant health issues, including total disability. This program will focus on how to plan for a significant medical condition/event and preserve the assets of a debtor or disabled person. Speakers will touch on Medicaid "spend down" planning and bankruptcy, and their respective "look back" periods, "exempt assets" and potentially "fraudulent conveyances". The panelists will also discuss relevant benefits for veterans and their survivors through the Department of Veterans affairs which can further aid in preserving assets and increasing access to care and monetary benefits for disabled veterans and survivors.

This course is sponsored by the VSB Bankruptcy, Senior Lawyers, and Military and Veterans Law Sections and has been approved for **1.0 hours Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 5, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 5A: How Virginia Lawyers Can Make a Difference the Ted Lasso Way

Be a Goldfish. Be Curious, Not Judgmental. *Ted Lasso* conveys many lessons that we can incorporate into our practices. These lessons remind us they can be zealous advocates while still performing their work with civility and professionalism. If you find yourself in an ethical dilemma, just ask, “What Would Ted Lasso Do?”

This course has been approved for **1.0 hour Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit, including 1.0 hour ethics**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 5, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 5B: Veterans Treatment Courts in Virginia: How Do They Work? What Do They Need? How Can They Expand?

The Virginia Veterans Treatment Court Statewide Strategic Plan was officially adopted in November 2019, and Fairfax County has had a Veterans Treatment Docket since 2015. There are now Veterans Treatment Dockets in four Circuit Courts and six District Courts across Virginia. This panel of Veterans Treatment Court Judges and personnel will describe their experiences and discuss what is needed to make these courts of even greater service to Veterans.

This course is sponsored by the VSB Diversity and Military and Veterans Law Section and has been approved for **1.0 hour Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 5, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 6: Embracing Change to Improve Bench-Bar Relations

Judges and attorneys will discuss the ethics of informal and social communications between the bench and the bar, addressing the Judicial Canons and Rules of Professional Conduct regarding relationships between judges and lawyers. The panelists will address how recent changes to the canons were meant to encourage better bench-bar relations and why those relations are so important to our profession. The presentation will discuss examples of positive bench-bar relations, how attorneys and judges successfully foster good relationships, and how such relationships could be improved.

This course is sponsored by the VSB Bench-Bar Relations Committee and has been approved for **1.0 hour Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit, including 1.0 hour ethics**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 5, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.

CLE 7: Judicial Squares: Point or Point Break?

Get ready to ride the wave with Judicial Squares, the CLE game show making a splash for another year at the Annual Meeting! Attorneys will dive back into familiar waters as they revisit Bar Exam style questions but this time with some of Virginia’s favorite judges making waves from the bench. Contestants will be thrown a series of questions related to Virginia civil and criminal law, with the judges offering answers that may feel steady... or may pull you straight into a riptide.

When the last wave breaks, only one side will be left standing on the shore. Will it be the attorneys, or will the judges own the beach?

This course is sponsored by the VSB Young Lawyers Section and has been approved for **2.0 hours Pre-Recorded (on-demand) CLE credit, including 0.5 hours ethics**. If you viewed this course LIVE on June 6, 2026, you cannot also claim credit for this on-demand offering.