

AGENDA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION SEMINAR

Attorney General's Office – Multipurpose Room

Thursday, December 14, 2017

(Total M.C.L.E. Hours: 6.0, including 1.0 hours of Ethics Credit)

Morning Session

- 8:30 AM **Registration Begins**
- 8:55 AM - 9:00 AM **Welcoming Remarks**
- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Labor and Employment Update**
Dorman Walker, Esq.
Balch & Bingham
- 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM **Supreme Court of Alabama: A View from the
Appellate Bench**
Hon. William B. Sellers, Associate Justice
Supreme Court of Alabama
- 11:00 AM - 11:15 AM **BREAK**
- 11:15 AM – 12:15 PM **Impeaching Sheriff Clark: A Case Study**
Michael Duffy, Esq., Deputy Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General

Megan Kirkpatrick, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General
- 12:15 PM - 1:30 PM **LUNCH (on your own)**

Afternoon Session

- 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM **Open Records Law: A Primer**
Ward Beeson, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
Chief, Opinions Section - Office of the Attorney General
- 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM **Ethical Quicksands**
Jeremy McIntire, Esq., Assistant General Counsel
Alabama State Bar Association
- 3:30 PM - 3:45 PM **BREAK**
- 3:45 PM - 4:45 PM **Alabama's Litigation Against the EPA's Waters of
the United States Rule: A Case Study in Combating
Federal Overreach**
Andrew Brasher, Esq., Alabama Solicitor General
Office of the Attorney General
- 4:45 PM - 4:50 PM **Closing Remarks and Evaluations**

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES
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DORMAN WALKER, ESQ.

DORMAN WALKER is a Partner in Balch & Bingham's Montgomery office and member of the firm's Labor & Employment Practice Group, and the firm's Litigation Section. He has practiced employment law since 1987. Mr. Walker received a B.A. with honors from Washington & Lee University in 1978, and a J.D. from the University of Alabama in 1987. At the University of Alabama, he was Alabama Editor of the Alabama Law Review and a Hugo L. Black Scholar. Mr. Walker is married to United States Magistrate Judge Susan Walker.

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM B. SELLERS

JUSTICE WILL SELLERS is a life-long resident of Montgomery. He graduated from Hillsdale College, *magna cum laude*, The University of Alabama School of Law, and in 1989 received an LL.M. in Tax Law from New York University. Before joining the Court in May 2017, Justice Sellers maintained a general business practice with emphasis on taxation, business organizations and finance. In 2012, Justice Sellers received the President's Award for service to the Alabama Bar Association. Justice Sellers previously served as Chairman of the Fair Ballot Commission and was a member of the Alabama State Council on the Arts. He was a member of Electoral College in 2004, 2008, 2012, and 2016. Currently he is the community liaison for the International Officers School at Maxwell Air Force Base. He and his wife Lee have 3 adult children.

MICHAEL DUFFY, ESQ.

MICHAEL DUFFY is a Deputy Attorney General in the Special Prosecutions Division of the Attorney General's Office. He investigates and prosecutes violations of the Alabama Ethics Act and other public corruption or white collar crime cases. Before working as a prosecutor, Mike spent three years as a civil defense attorney at the Bradley law firm in Birmingham.

MEGAN KIRKPATRICK, ESQ.

MEGAN KIRKPATRICK received her B.A. in Government: Strategic Intelligence, *magna cum laude*, from Patrick Henry College and her J.D., *summa cum laude*, from The University of Alabama School of Law. After law school, she clerked for the Honorable Bobby R. Baldock of the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit in Roswell, New Mexico. After her clerkship, she worked as a staff attorney for the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in Atlanta, Georgia. Megan has also served as Assistant and Deputy Solicitor General in the Alabama Attorney General's Office. She is now a prosecutor in the Special Prosecutions Division of the Attorney General's Office.

WARD BEESON, ESQ.

WARD BEESON received his B.A. from Huntingdon College and his J.D. from the University of Alabama School of Law. He joined the Alabama Attorney General's Office in 1997 and has worked in the Opinions Division since 2004. Prior to that, he practiced with Hardwick, Hause and Segrest; served as Staff Attorney for Judge Francis A. Long, Sr. on the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals; and served as a Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Appeals Division of the Attorney General's Office. As Chief of the Opinions Section, Mr. Beeson gives formal and informal advice to state and local public officials and governmental entities, including counties and cities, on a wide range of issues. He also represents the Alabama Justice Information Commission and the Alabama Water Resources Commission, and advised the Governor on extradition matters during most of his state career. Mr. Beeson is a past member of the Board of the National Association of Extradition Officials. He has been a CLE presenter for the University of Alabama School of Law Programs, Alabama Association of Municipal Attorneys, and Municipal Judges Association.

JEREMY MCINTIRE, ESQ.

JEREMY MCINTIRE has been employed as an Assistant General Counsel with the Office of General Counsel at the Alabama State Bar since 2006. Prior to attending law school, he was a police officer with the City of Tuscaloosa. He graduated from the University of Alabama School of Law in 2002. After law school, he served as an Assistant Attorney General in the capital litigation division where he primarily handled Rule 32 appeals and federal habeas appeals. He is married to Keri, has two daughters, Kali (16 years old) and Jena (13 years old), and lives in Chelsea.

ANDREW BRASHER, ESQ.

ANDREW BRASHER is the Solicitor General of Alabama. Before joining the Attorney General's Office, Brasher was an associate at the law firm of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings in Birmingham and also served as a law clerk to Judge William H. Pryor Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit. Brasher graduated from Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review.