

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENT FOR CLE/CPE

Firearms Laws and Permits

Matthew Boyatt, Deputy General Counsel – North Carolina Sheriffs’ Association

This session will provide information regarding N.C. Requirements to Purchase Handgun – Pistol Purchase Permits, Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 / Concealed Handgun Permits, Transporting Weapons, the Felony Firearms Act, and Age Requirements for Purchase and Possession of Firearms. The purpose of this presentation is to provide the audience with a basic understanding of firearms laws in North Carolina.

(90 minutes)

Cybersecurity for Lawyers and Paralegals: Protecting Client Information and Securing Your Operations

Shannon Tufts – Professor of Public Law and Government; Director, Center for Public Technology

Cybersecurity attacks are at an all-time high, with threats coming daily in the forms of phishing attempts, data harvesting, and malware downloads. Understanding how to identify and prevent such attacks, which target your enterprise data, your confidential client data, as well as your personal and professional data, is paramount for lawyers. This session will provide requisite education on the topic of essential cybersecurity strategies and approaches for lawyers. Attendees will learn to identify potential attacks or attempts to compromise organizational systems, how to mitigate those potential attacks, and learn about the various breaches that have occurred across the state, impacting organizations at every level. The goal of the session is to ensure lawyers are able to improve their detection and defenses against breaches, while protecting confidential client data, as part of their daily law practice operations.

(75 minutes)

Substance Abuse & Ethics

The Honorable Scott Etheridge, District Court Judge – 19B

Substance Abuse: Exploring what Courts need to understand about substance abuse and its effect on the court system and the litigants.

Ethics: RPC: Is it relevant in 2023? Discussions will include March 1, 2023, amendments approved by the North Carolina Supreme Court, as well as recent ethics cases.

(90 minutes)

DSS/Child Welfare – Case Law and Legislative Update

Wendy Sotolongo, J.D. – Parent Defender at NC Indigent Defense Services – NC Courts

This session will review recent appellate and legislative changes impacting child welfare agencies and cases.

(90 minutes)