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The DRI Women in the Law Seminar gathers outstanding women from law firms and corporate legal departments across the country for top-notch education and networking opportunities in a program designed by and for women lawyers. Our distinguished faculty includes lawyers from some of the most recognized companies in the world, experienced trial lawyers, and national thought leaders on professional development and leadership. They will provide experience-based, concrete practice pointers on real-world legal and career-development issues, giving in-house lawyers and their outside counsel the tools to partner for success.



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What You Will Learn

- How to keep your cool when the stakes are high
- Challenge yourself in our Professional Responsibility quiz show
- Key insights on the business of practicing law
- How to recognize and overcome gender stereotypes




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- Discover the  **DRI Client Connection**—meet in-house and claims professional registrants and speakers.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

12:00 p.m. **Registration**

2:30–5:00 p.m.


Take Charge of Your Career


This highly interactive workshop will give you the tools you need to advance your career effectively on your terms. Based on data from years of research, our moderator will explain what *really* works for career advancement. You'll identify advancement strategies, practice techniques, and formulate your plan for success. A panel of in-house counsel will share the tactics and techniques they have used to reach their personal and professional goals.

MODERATOR | **Anna Beninger**, *Catalyst Inc.*, New York, NY

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 **Ruth Anderson Gates**, *Nissan North America Inc.*, Franklin, TN

 **Jill D. Jacobson**, *Husqvarna Group*, Charlotte, NC

 **Deborah Stupi Okey**, *The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.*, Akron, OH

6:00 p.m. **Networking Reception**

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7:30 p.m. **Networking Event** | Join us for an evening of networking fun. More information coming soon.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

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7:00 a.m. **Registration**

7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

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7:00 a.m. **First-Time Attendees Breakfast**

Heidi B. (Goldstein) Friedman,
Thompson Hine LLP, Cleveland, OH

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8:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction**

Laurie K. Miller, *Jackson Kelly PLLC*, Charleston, WV

Kirsten E. Small, *Nexsen Pruet LLC*, Greenville, SC

8:10 a.m. **Nothing Ventured, Nothing Gained**

Jessica Kornberg has done many different things as a lawyer—from establishing *Ms. JD* as a national voice on issues concerning women in the legal profession, to leading trial teams in groundbreaking cases, to serving as the first woman president and CEO of Bet Tzedek, a leading public interest law firm. Ms. Kornberg will provide insight into the importance of building relationships that lead to new opportunities, and how to assess and pursue those opportunities—all while making sure you stay passionate about your work.

Jessica C. Kornberg, *Bet Tzedek*, Los Angeles, CA

9:00 a.m. **It's Not All About Error Preservation: Appellate Counsel's Role on the Trial Team**

Too often, trial lawyers view appellate attorneys as a backup plan. In this informative session, an experienced appellate lawyer and two in-house attorneys will outline the value and practical advantages of involving an appellate lawyer at the earliest stages of a case and how doing so can be the key to a successful outcome.

 **Jessica L. Hodkinson**, *Panasonic Corp. of North America*, Newark, NJ

Natalie H. Mantell, *Gibbons PC*, Newark, NJ

 **Erica L. Visokey**, *Stryker Corp.*, Allendale, NJ

9:50 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

10:10 a.m. **Issues in Multi-Defendant Litigation**

It can get crowded on the defense side of the “v.” No matter the type of case, multi-defendant litigation creates unique challenges for lawyers and clients alike. This panel of experienced trial lawyers will discuss a range of issues that arise in multi-defendant litigation, including drafting joint defense agreements, effectively coordinat-

ing with co-counsel, and dealing with multi-party e-discovery issues, all while effectively advocating your client's interests.

MODERATOR | **Audra A. Dial**, *Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP*, Atlanta, GA

 **Paula-Marie Uscilla**, *United Technologies Corp.*, Farmington, CT

Susan V. Vargas, *King & Spalding*, Los Angeles, CA

11:00 a.m. **Two Tracks** (see below)

12:30 p.m. **Awards Luncheon**

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1:45 p.m. **Rewrite the Script: Overcoming the Gender Stereotypes That Are Holding You Back in Your Career**

Compared to their male colleagues, female attorneys are paid less, hold fewer management positions, and first-chair fewer trials. Gender stereotypes may be to blame, even in the best-intentioned law firms and legal departments. In this informative and engaging session, participants will role play, strategize over key scenarios, and develop an integrated series of communication techniques to avoid or overcome gender stereotypes and the discriminatory biases they foster.

Alton B. Harris, *Nixon Peabody LLP*, Chicago, IL

Andrea S. Kramer, *McDermott Will & Emery*, Chicago, IL

2:45 p.m. **Women in the Law Committee Meeting** (*open to all*)

3:15 p.m. **Refreshment Break**

3:30 p.m. **Small-Group Networking Breakouts** (*details onsite*)

NEW THIS YEAR! Every year, attendees tell us that they wish they had more time to network with old acquaintances and make new connections. In this innovative session, attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of small-group activities designed to encourage interaction, spark conversations, and grow our professional networks in ways we never have before. Bring your business cards and your sense of adventure. You will not want to miss this!

6:00 p.m. **Networking Reception**
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Thompson Hine Spotlight on Women

7:00 p.m. **Dine-Arounds** | Join colleagues and friends at selected restaurants for dinner (*on your own*). More details onsite.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS Thursday, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. (*choose one*)

	■ CORPORATE COUNSEL (<i>in-house attorneys only</i>)	■ LAW FIRM COUNSEL
11:00 a.m.	Key Strategies for Responding to Challenges Facing Corporate Counsel Today During this session, in-house counsel attendees will share best practices in a facilitated roundtable discussion focusing on emerging legal issues facing in-house lawyers.	Effective Advocacy: Taking It to the Next Level Back by popular demand, our “quick takes” session this year will focus on improving verbal advocacy skills in court, in person, and on the phone. Koriambanya (Kori) S. Carew , <i>Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP</i> , Kansas City, MO Edward P. Schwartz, PhD, MSL , <i>DecisionQuest</i> , Waltham, MA Sharon D. Stuart , <i>Christian & Small LLP</i> , Birmingham, AL Sandra J. Wunderlich , <i>Stinson Leonard Street LLP</i> , Saint Louis, MO

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7:00 a.m. **Registration**

7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. **Announcements**

Janet L. Hickson, *Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP*, Irvine, CA

8:15 a.m. **Litigating in the Spotlight**

Under national scrutiny, Kathryn Ruemmler delivered the prosecution's closing argument in the federal criminal trial of disgraced Enron executives Jeffrey Skilling and Kenneth Lay, both of whom were convicted. While most cases are not so highly publicized, in every case our clients expect and need us to perform under pressure. In this eye-opening presentation, Ms. Ruemmler, who served as Counsel to the President from 2011-2014, will discuss the skills and strategies essential to effective advocacy when the stakes are high.

Kathryn H. Ruemmler, *Latham & Watkins LLP*, Washington, DC

9:15 a.m. **Know When to Fold 'Em: Managing Litigation Risk**

Your client is facing a lawsuit or regulatory action and wants to know how to respond and limit liability. Your answer will depend not just on the law, but also on the type and degree of risk created (or avoided) by each potential action. Join us and discover best practices for identifying, evaluating, and responding to the risks of legal disputes from three presenters, each with a valuable perspective: a mediator, an in-house attorney, and a trial judge.

MODERATOR | **Amy L. Lieberman**, *Insight Employment Mediation LLC*, Scottsdale, AZ

PANEL

 **Zabrina M. Jenkins**, *Starbucks Coffee Co.*, Seattle, WA

The Honorable Steven P. Logan, *US District Court for the District of Arizona*, Phoenix, AZ

10:15 a.m. **Refreshment Break**


10:30 a.m. **An MBA Brain in a JD Head: Business Principles Every Lawyer Should Know**

Whether you practice in a firm or a corporate legal department, there is no escaping the reality that law is a business as well as a profession. Led by the managing partner of a regional law firm, this trio of knowledgeable lawyers will identify core concepts of the business of lawyering and explain how outside and in-house counsel can use these concepts to create value for their firms and their companies.

MODERATOR | **Jennifer Morgan DeMonico**, *Murtha Cullina LLP*, New Haven, CT

PANEL

 **Sheila M.M. Schiffman**, *Continental*, Fairlawn, OH

 **Ernest A. Tuckett**, *AkzoNobel*, Chicago, IL

11:20 a.m. **Professional Responsibility—The Quiz Show!**

Test your knowledge of legal ethics in this fast-paced, quiz show-style session on recent developments in professional responsibility. Vote anonymously from your phone on answers to questions based on real-life ethical dilemmas, and watch the results roll in. Would you do the same thing as your fellow attendees? Audience participants will be rewarded with prizes!

Kelly Wilkins, *Snell & Wilmer*, Phoenix, AZ

12:20 p.m. **Adjourn**

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The hotel block is limited and rooms and rates are available on a first-come, first-served basis. You must make reservations by **January 4, 2017**, to be eligible for the group rate. Requests for reservations made after **January 4, 2017** are subject to room and rate availability.

Hotel Accommodations

Registration Policy

Save \$100 when you register by January 4, 2017. (See the registration form for pricing.) The registration fee includes course materials, continental breakfasts, refreshment breaks, networking receptions, and access to the DRI App. If you wish to have your name appear on the registration list distributed at the conference and receive the course materials in advance, DRI must receive your registration by **January 11, 2017** (*please allow 10 days for processing*). Registrations received after **January 11, 2017**, will be processed on-site.

Refund Policy

The registration fee is fully refundable for cancellations received on or before **January 11, 2017**. Cancellations received after **January 11** and on or before **January 18, 2017**, will receive a refund, less a \$100 processing fee. Cancellations made after **January 18** will not receive a refund, but a \$100 certificate good for any DRI seminar within the next 12 months will be issued. All cancellations and requests for refunds must be made in writing. Fax (312.795.0747) or email (seminars@dri.org) to DRI's Accounting Department. Processing of refunds will occur within four weeks after the date of the seminar. All refunds will be processed in the same method that the payment was received. Substitutions may be made at any time without charge and must be submitted in writing.

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- Speakers and times may be subject to last-minute changes.
- A small portion of your room rate offsets the costs of the seminar.
- DRI policy provides there will be no group functions sponsored by others in connection with its seminars.

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Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV*

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Trial Tactics
*The Venetian Palazzo Resort,
Las Vegas, NV*

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Employment and Labor Law
Hilton Nashville, Nashville, TN

June 22-23
Young Lawyers
*The Westin Austin Downtown,
Austin, TX*

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***The Women Lawyers' Guide to Making, Maintaining, and Excelling at the
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Diversity is a core value at DRI. Indeed, diversity, which includes sexual orientation, is fundamental to
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Inclusiveness is the chief means to increase the diversity of DRI's membership and leadership positions. DRI's members and
potential leaders are often also members and leaders of other defense organizations. Accordingly, DRI encourages all national,
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