

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO



NOTICE FROM THE CLERK NO. 22-14

Virtual Continuing Legal Education Program on October 27-28, 2022

The United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico ("USDCPR") is sponsoring a Virtual Continuing Legal Education ("CLE") program, to be held on **October 27 and 28, 2022**. This Virtual CLE will be a two-day, ten-hour program, to be offered free of charge to members of the Bar in good standing. Every effort will be made to obtain accreditation from the Puerto Rico Supreme Court's Continuing Legal Education Program.

The CLE program will consist of the following lectures: 1) The U.S. Supreme Court Review: Key Decisions of 2021-2022 Term and Preview of Upcoming Term; 2) Free Speech and Internet Communications; 3) Legal Aspects of Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain; 4) Analytic Structure of Fourth Amendment Claims and Fourth Amendment Aspects of Digital Searches and Seizures.

The Program's featured speakers are:

1. **Barry P. McDonald**, Professor of Law at Pepperdine University School of Law. Mr. McDonald is a recognized expert on Constitutional Law, the U.S. Supreme Court, and First Amendment Law. He has published several articles and essays on the law governing freedom of expression and religion in such prominent journals as the *Emory Law Journal*, *Illinois Law Review*, *Northwestern University Law Review*, *Notre Dame Law Review*, *Ohio State Law Journal* and *Washington & Lee Law Review*. His current projects include a book on the U.S. Supreme Court tentatively entitled *Divided We Stand: How the Supreme Court Made Matters Worse*. Mr. McDonald is frequently interviewed or writes in such major media outlets as *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Boston Globe*, *The CBS Evening News*, *BBC World News*, *BBC World Radio*, CNN, Fox News, and National Public Radio.

2. **Lata Nott**, Senior Legal Counsel at the Campaign Legal Center (CLC). She works in Washington, D.C., at the state and federal levels to ensure that voting is accessible for all citizens. Prior to joining the CLC, Ms. Nott was Deputy Director of Policy for State Voices, and Executive Director of the First Amendment Center at the Freedom Forum. She is a fellow at the Freedom Forum, where she serves as a subject matter expert on First Amendment Law. Ms. Nott regularly speaks, writes, and comments on topics relating to freedom of expression, media literacy, and internet speech policy, and she has been quoted in publications such as *The Atlantic*, *Vox*, *The Washington Post*, and CNN.com, among others. Ms. Nott is a contributor to "*The First Five*," a syndicated column that reacts to breaking news around the five freedoms, and examines the effects or import of proposals engaging the First Amendment.

3. **Gary Marchant**, Regents' Professor and Faculty Director of the Center for Law, Science & Innovation at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University (ASU). Mr. Marchant's research includes the legal aspects and governance of emerging technologies such as genomics, biotechnology, nanotechnology, artificial intelligence, neuroscience and blockchain. Mr. Marchant frequently lectures about the intersection of law and science at national and international conferences, and has authored more than 150 articles and book chapters on various issues relating to emerging technologies. He is a lifetime member of the American Law Institute and is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He also chairs the IEEE Working Group (P2863), which creates a governance standard for entities that develop or use artificial intelligence.

4. **Thomas K. Clancy**, Professor Emeritus at the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he taught from 2001-2014. Mr. Clancy is a nationally recognized expert on the Fourth Amendment and Cyber Crime. He frequently organizes lectures at judicial and other conferences on Fourth Amendment and Cyber Crime issues. Mr. Clancy has written more than 20 articles on the Fourth Amendment and is author of two law books: *Cyber Crime and Digital Evidence* (Carolina Academic Press – 4th ed. 2023) and *The Fourth Amendment: Its History and Interpretation* (Carolina Academic Press – 3d ed. 2017).

The Virtual CLE Program will run from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. For your convenience, a detailed agenda, speaker information, and lecture materials will be posted in the CLE Program page of the USDCPR website. Requests for reservation will **only** be received through the USDCPR's CLE Registration Application.

Prior to submitting the CLE's Registration Application, be advised that:

- You should click on the CLE Registration Application **link** embedded in your e-mail invitation.
- Each attorney must make his/her own reservation.
- Attorneys must be in good standing to register (contact the Clerk's Office Cashier at 787-772-3061 to verify status).
- To request CLE accreditation from the Puerto Rico Supreme Court CLE Program, participants will be required to provide their registered "RUA" number as part of the application.
- Only attorneys with confirmed registration may access the virtual CLE Program.
- Confirmed attorneys must commit to attend the two-day Virtual CLE Program.
- Registration deadline is **October 14, 2022**.
- Attorneys with a confirmed registration who fail to attend must explain reasons in writing.
- Registered participants are encouraged to test their access to the Virtual CLE internet webpage prior to the start of the program.
- **Telephone calls for registration to the virtual CLE program will not be accepted.**

After the registration period has closed, the Office of the Clerk will send a confirmation notice to registered attorneys to the e-mail address listed in the CM/ECF System. Attorneys with confirmed registration must notify any cancellations on or before October 20, 2022, by sending an email to: prd-cle-registration@prd.uscourts.gov.

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For updated information on the October 27 and 28, 2022 Virtual CLE Program, bar members are encouraged to regularly visit the USDC's website at (www.prd.uscourts.gov) and official Twitter account ([@USCourtsPRD](https://twitter.com/USCourtsPRD)).

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 22nd day of September 2022.



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