



## Critical Issues Summit

*Equipping Our Lawyers:  
Law School Education, Continuing Legal Education,  
and Legal Practice in the 21st Century*

## Agenda

**October 15-17, 2009**

**Fairmont Scottsdale, Scottsdale, Arizona**

### **Wednesday, October 14, 2009**

7:30 p.m. Reception—*Hosted by Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University (Hacienda Plaza and Trellis)*

### **Thursday, October 15, 2009**

7:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast (South Foyer)

8:30 a.m. Welcome

8:45 a.m. **The Future of the Legal Profession**  
(Grand Ballroom Salon ABC)  
**How is legal practice changing and what do those changes mean for lawyers' professional education?** Among the changes affecting legal practice today are economic factors; competition and client pressures; increasing use of technology; multi-jurisdictional and global practice; commoditization of legal work,

including contract lawyers and offshore legal talent; and cultural and generational differences among lawyers and among clients. How can we keep pace with and respond to these developments? How can the profession ensure that its members continue their professional growth in the face of these changes and resulting pressures?

***Faculty:** Tsan Abrahamson, Cobalt LLP (moderator); Professor Harry Arthurs, Osgoode Hall Law School; Ward Bower, Altman Weil; Corinne Cooper, Professional Presence®; Stuart Forsyth, The Legal Futurist*

10:15 a.m.

Break

10:30 a.m.

**The Impact of Technology on Lawyer Development**

(Grand Ballroom Salon ABC)

**What's next for technology and its application to legal practice and professional education?** Technology has transformed legal practice and lawyers' professional education. Lawyers on the go, and especially the newest lawyers, want technology at their fingertips, including access to CLE. But is migrating traditional forms of CLE to the Internet enough? What's next for law practice technologies and lawyers' distance education? What technological skills will lawyers need in the future? How can technology be used to provide not just more, but also better, resources for the legal profession?

***Faculty:** Craig D. Ball, Law Offices of Craig D. Ball, P.C (moderator); Barbara A. Bichelmeyer, Indiana University; Todd Flaming, Schopf & Weiss LLP; Barron K. Henley, HMU Consulting*

Noon

Group Lunch (Grand Ballroom Salon DE)

1:30-5:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions (assigned) (Grand Ballroom Salon A, B, and C):

*Bar Admissions—Competencies for Entering Practice*

*Generational Issues—Changing Demographics, Preferences, and Needs*

*CLE—Models for the New Millennium*

Overview; table discussions; reports from tables; group discussion/consensus/ recommendations

7:00 p.m.

Group Dinner (*registrants only, please*)  
(Grand Ballroom Salon ABC)

**Friday, October 16, 2009**

- 7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast (South Foyer)
- 8:15 a.m. Plenary Review/Discussion of Day One Recommendations (Grand Ballroom Salon DE)  
Reports from Day One breakout sessions; plenary discussion/consensus/recommendations
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Breakout Sessions (assigned) (Grand Ballroom Salon A, B, and C):  
*Law Schools—Transitioning from Law School to Practice*  
*In-House Professional Development—Training in Practice*  
*MCLE—Meeting Standards, Meeting Needs*  
Overview; table discussions; reports from tables; group discussion/consensus/ recommendations
- 11:45 a.m. Group Lunch (Grand Ballroom Salon DE)
- 1:00 p.m. Continuation of morning breakout sessions (Grand Ballroom Salon A, B, and C)
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:30 p.m. Plenary Review/Discussion of Day Two Recommendations (Grand Ballroom Salon DE)  
Reports from Day Two breakout sessions; plenary discussion/consensus/ recommendations
- 5:30 p.m. Conclusion of Day Two review; dinner on own.

**Saturday, October 17, 2009**

- 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast (South Foyer)
- 8:30 a.m. Plenary Review/Discussion of Preliminary Summit Recommendations (Grand Ballroom Salon DE)
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Continuation of Plenary Review/Discussion of Preliminary Summit Recommendations (Grand Ballroom Salon DE)
- 11:30 a.m. Working Lunch: Discussion of Post-Conference Initiatives (Grand Ballroom Salon ABC)
- 1:00 p.m. Adjournment