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SEMINAR AGENDA

1:30-2:30 RESPONDING TO LAWSUITS: MOTIONS, DEFENSES, AND ANSWERS

Discussing 12(b) Defenses; Motions to Dismiss; Motion for Failure to State a Claim; Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings; Motion for More Definite Statement; Motions to Strike; affirmative defenses; waiver of defenses; pleadings, answers and amendments.

2:30-3:00 DISCOVERY: METHOD, SCOPE & WRITTEN DISCOVERY

Discussing the method and timing of discovery; scope of discovery; supplementing responses; filing discovery; interrogatories; production of documents; request for admissions; physical and mental exams; protective orders; motions to compel; failure to comply; and extensions of time.

3:00-3:30 DISCOVERY: DEPOSITIONS AND THE RAMBO LITIGATOR

Discussing the taking of depositions; use of depositions; depositions by written questions; subpoenas; 30(b)(6) depositions; depositions techniques; and handling the rambo litigator in depositions.

3:30-4:00 RULES OF EVIDENCE: SPECIFIC CIVIL EVIDENTIARY RULES

Discussing judicial notice; subsequent remedial measures; offers to compromise; payment of medical expenses; liability insurance; expert opinions; admissions in pleadings; medical narratives; identification of medical bills; subpoenas; and proof.

4:00-4:15 DAMAGES: SPECIAL, GENERAL AND PUNITIVES

Discussing damages related to past and future medical expenses; lost earnings; lost earning capacity; loss of future earnings; lost profits; diminished capacity to labor; pain and suffering; aggravation of pre-existing condition; loss of consortium; punitive damages; apportionment and collateral source.

4:15-4:30 ATTORNEY'S FEES: OFFER OF SETTLEMENT & 13-6-11

Discussing attorney's fees under O.C.G.A. §§ 9-11-68; 9-15-14; and 13-6-11. Discussing abusive litigation; insurer's bad faith; and motor vehicle demands.

MYCLE FACULTY: PARAG SHAH



Parag Y. Shah is an attorney, mediator, author and judge in Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Shah practices law with his wife The Shah Law Firm, where he prosecutes and defends civil cases. He is a Pro Hac Judge for the City of Atlanta Municipal Court where he presides over traffic offenses and city ordinances. He also mediates and arbitrates civil litigation cases at Miles Mediation.

Mr. Shah is an adjunct professor at Ohio Northern University Law School where he teaches jury selection and cross-examination. He is also a former faculty member for the Georgia Trial Skills Clinic and AAJ's Deposition College.

Mr. Shah has been acknowledged as Georgia's Top 40 Under 40 by the Daily Report, a "Rising Star" by Super Lawyers Magazine, Georgia Trend Magazine, & the Georgia Asian Pacific American Bar Association; "AV" rated by Martindale Hubbell; and rated 10 out of 10 by Avvo.com. In 2011, Mr. Shah was featured as an expert in criminal defense on NPR's "This American Life", Episode 430 - Very Tough Love. In addition, Mr. Shah regularly provided legal commentary on CNN's Nancy Grace and HLN's Crime and Justice with Ashleigh Banfield.

Mr. Shah is the author of three Georgia pocketbooks: The Code Criminal, The Code Civil and The Code Evidence. The Code is currently published by MyCLE.

The written materials for this seminar are *The Code: Civil Edition* and *The Code: Evidence Edition* pocketbooks authored by Parag Y. Shah.

The Code Civil is a small, concise pocketbook version of Title 9 (The Civil Practice Act) of the Official Code of Georgia. It breaks down the key components of Georgia civil practice into a manageable, quick reference guide. The Code includes statutory law through the 2017 regular session of the Georgia General Assembly. All code section references are to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) and certain case citations have been abbreviated to conserve space.

The Code Evidence is a small, concise pocketbook version of Title 24 (The Rules of Evidence) of the Official Code of Georgia. It breaks down the key components of Georgia evidence into a manageable, quick reference guide. The Code includes statutory law through the 2017 regular session of the Georgia General Assembly. All code section references are to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) and certain case citations have been abbreviated to conserve space.

The books were provided for free to all attendees prior to the seminar.

