



MDLA 2020 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

*Going Through
the Motions*

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION

**JANUARY 24-26, 2020
GREAT WOLF LODGE
BLOOMINGTON, MN**

JOIN US

The Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association (MDLA) is pleased to announce registration is open for the Mid-Winter Conference on January 24–26, 2020 at Great Wolf Lodge in Bloomington, MN. This year's theme is "Going Through the Motions."

MDLA's Mid-Winter Conference (MWC) promises programs of interest to all defense lawyers. Hear how our presenters have used a unique or interesting angle/approach to a trial or area of practice, and how you can apply them to your own practice!

The presentations will be delivered by an outstanding roster of speakers:

- Kelly Magnus, Tomsche, Sonnesyn & Tomsche PA
- Nick Rauch, Lind Jensen Sullivan & Peterson
- Jeff Grace, Blethen Berens
- Andy Rorvig, McEllistrem, Fargione, Landy, Rorvig & Eken, PA
- Mike Skram, O'Meara, Leer, Wagner & Kohl, PA
- Honorable Joseph R. Klein 4th Judicial District
- Scott Nesvold, Crane Engineering
- Rachel Beauchamp, Cousineau, Van Bergen, McNee & Malone PA
- Natalie Walz, Tomsche, Sonnesyn & Tomsche PA
- Eric Hayes, Brown & Carlson PA
- Kathryn Hammers, Brown & Carlson PA
- Kate Johnson, Meagher & Greer, PLLP

Now is the time to sign up for a great opportunity to connect and learn from defense lawyers throughout the State of Minnesota. We look forward to seeing you in Bloomington this winter!

HOTEL INFORMATION

Great Wolf Lodge

1700 American Blvd E
Bloomington, Minnesota 55425

MDLA has secured a special room rate of \$159 per night and local taxes and resort fee available until January 3, 2020 or until the room block is exhausted, whichever comes first.

To make a reservation, call 844-561-9653 or visit the Great Wolf Lodge website at greatwolf.com/minnesota. Mention MDLA or use offer code **2006MINNES** to receive our special room rates.

SCHEDULE

Friday, January 24, 2020

2:00–6:30pm	Registration
3:00–3:05pm	Welcome and Announcements — <i>Tammy Reno</i>
3:05–3:35pm	Legal Research for Motion Writing — <i>Kelly Magnus, Tomsche, Sonnesyn and Tomsche, P.A.</i>
	Behind The Curtain: What Do Judges And Clients Really Think About Your Motion?
3:35–4:05pm	— <i>Nick Rauch, Lind Jensen Sullivan & Peterson</i>
	Break
4:05–4:20pm	Effective Oral Arguments
4:20–4:50pm	— <i>Jeff Grace, Blethen Berens</i>
5:00–6:30 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
5:15–6:15pm	New Lawyers Dinner – <i>Tentative</i>
6:30–8:30pm	Welcome Reception

Saturday, January 25, 2020

7:30am–1:00pm	Registration
8:00–8:40am	Continental Breakfast
8:40–8:50am	Welcome and Announcements — <i>Tammy Reno</i>
8:50–10:00 am	May the Best Advocate Win
	— <i>Plaintiff: Andy Rorvig, McEllistrem, Fargione, Landy, Rorvig & Eken, PA; Defense: Mike Skram, O'Meara, Leer, Wagner & Kohl, PA; Judge: Honorable Joseph R. Klein (4th Judicial District)</i>
	Break
10:00–10:15am	Effectively Using an Expert in Defending your Construction Defect Claim
10:15–11:05am	— <i>Scott Nesvold, Crane Engineering</i>
	DEFENSE AGAINST THE DARK ARTS: Motion Practice in Commercial Trucking Defense
	— <i>Rachel Beauchamp, Cousineau, Van Bergen, McNee & Malone, PA</i>
11:10am–Noon	On Your Own
	Cocktail Reception
	Dinner
	Movie Night

Sunday, January 26, 2020

8:00–11:00am	Registration
8:00–8:30am	Continental Breakfast
8:45–8:50am	Welcome and Announcements — <i>Tammy Reno</i>
8:50–9:40am	Following the Yellow Brick Road to Dismissal of Real Estate Misrepresentation Claims
	— <i>Natalie Walz, Tomsche, Sonnesyn & Tomsche, PA</i>
9:40–10:45am	Defending Motions in Workman's Comp Cases
	— <i>Eric Hayes, Brown & Carlson PA; Kathryn Hammers, Brown & Carlson PA</i>
	Break
10:25–10:45am	Effective Motion Practice in Medical Malpractice Cases — <i>Kate Johnson, Meagher & Greer, P.L.L.P.</i>
10:45–11:30am	

MDLA MID-WINTER CONFERENCE POLICIES

Registration Information

Online registration requires credit card payment; MDLA accepts American Express, Visa, Mastercard, and Discover. If you want to register online, please visit www.mdla.org/event/MWC2020. Payment is required prior to the event.

To edit your registration, please contact the MDLA office at info@mdla.org or 1+ (651) 290-6293.

Both members and nonmembers need to log in to register for events. If you are a member or have previously created an account on the MDLA website, [login here](#). If you are a nonmember, please [create a guest account](#) in the system; we will require your first and last name, organization, email, username and password.

Join MDLA

If you are not a member and would like to join to receive reduced conference rates, please [join here](#). To renew your membership and receive member rates, [log into your profile](#), renew, then return to register for the event. These will be two separate transactions. You also have the option to pay for both by downloading forms.

Attendance Policies

ATTENDEE CANCELLATION

To receive a registration refund, less a \$25 processing fee, all cancellations must be received via [this form](#) by December 3, 2018 11:59 p.m. U.S. Central Time. No refunds will be granted thereafter. No-shows will not be refunded. Registrations can be transferred to another person within your organization with the same membership status by contacting info@mdla.org.

CONFERENCE MODIFICATION OR CANCELLATION

MDLA reserves the right to modify the course's schedule or program as necessary. MDLA also reserves the right to cancel this conference, in which case a full refund of the registration fee will be provided. We are unable to refund any travel costs (flight, hotel, etc.) in the case of MDLA cancellation.

DATA PRIVACY/GDPR

We host events throughout the year, including our annual conference, webinars, and trainings (collectively "events"). If you are a member and register for one of our events, we will access the information in your member account to provide you with information and services associated with the event. If you are not a member and you register for one of our events, we will collect your name and contact information, which we will store in our database and use to provide you with information and services associated with the event. If you are a presenter at one of our events, we will collect information about you including your name, employer and contact information, and photograph, and we may also collect information provided by event attendees who evaluated your performance as a presenter. As an attendee, speaker, or sponsor/exhibitor, we will keep a record of your participation to provide you with post-event information including details on upcoming events you may be interested in. Your contact information may be shared via an event mobile app or attendee list as part of your participation in the event. Your hotel reservation information may be shared between MDLA and the hotel.

PCI COMPLIANCE

Please do not email forms with credit card information. To protect your data and to comply with PCI standards, the MDLA office will not accept emailed credit card information.

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Address _____

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Phone _____ E-mail _____

Registration Rates Registration fee includes the conference and breaks (*Saturday dinner not included*).

	By Jan 1	After Jan 1
MDLA Member	\$295	\$345
Non-Member	\$345	\$395
Judges, Law Clerks and Students	\$75	\$125

Optional: Saturday Family Dinner (this dinner is not included with registration)

Please specify the number of people who will attend the Saturday Family Dinner.

_____ Adults (13+) - \$30 ea. \$ _____
_____ Children (8-12) - \$15 ea. \$ _____
_____ Children (7 & under) - FREE \$ _____

By registering, I have read and agree to abide by MDLA's Mid-Winter Conference Policies.

Dietary Restrictions

Staff will do our best to accommodate reasonable dietary restrictions. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the office at info@rehabpro.org.

Please select all that apply: Allergy (please explain) Gluten Free Kosher Lactose Intolerant Sugar Free Vegan Vegetarian

Other (please explain) Please explain your (or your guest's) dietary restriction needs (if applicable): _____

Accessibility

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, do you/your guests require specific aids or services? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

Do you or your guests require accessibility adjustments or services? Audio Mobile Visual

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St. Paul, MN 55114 • or fax to 651-290-2266

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