

2025 Trial Advocacy Program (TAP) CLE



THURSDAY, JUNE 5 AND FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025

Approved for 11.0 CLE credits  
(10.0 Law and Legal Procedure + 1.0 Ethics).  
\$399 - Standard  
\$149 - New Members\*

Registration for the two-day CLE is \$149 for New Members, and \$399 for Standard tuition. The two-day CLE and Mock Trial together are \$199 for New Members and \$499 for Standard Tuition.

Washington State Bar Association  
1325 Fourth Ave., Suite 600 | Seattle, WA 98101

IN-PERSON &  
WEBCAST

DESCRIPTION

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The two-day CLE will take place both online and in person at the WSBA office in downtown Seattle on Thursday & Friday, June 5 & 6. Those joining the two-day CLE in person will benefit from networking breaks throughout both days plus a catered lunch. If you have dietary restrictions and plan to attend in-person, please email [CLE@wsba.org](mailto:CLE@wsba.org) after you register.

Following the CLE, a mock trial will take place in person only at the WSBA office on Saturday, June 28. The mock trial offers attorney participants the unique opportunity to put into practice what they learned at the two-day CLE without the pressure of an actual trial and get feedback from volunteer judges.

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CO-CHAIRS  
Austin Field - King County Department of Public Defense, Seattle  
Hong Tran - King County Department of Public Defense, Seattle

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SCHEDULE

Day 1: Thursday, June 5, 2025

8:00 a.m. > Check-in • Walk-in Registration • Morning Refreshments

8:10 a.m. > Webcast Lobby Opens

8:25 a.m. > Opening Remarks/Housekeeping

8:30 a.m. > Voir Dire  
75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP  
• Ramona Brandes - Washington Defender Association, Seattle

9:45 a.m. > BREAK (15 minutes)

10:00 a.m. > Objections and Motions in Limine  
75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP  
• Lindsey Whyte - Washington Innocence Project, Seattle

11:15 a.m. > BREAK (15 minutes)

11:30 a.m. > Opening Statements  
75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP  
• James Carr - The Defender Association, Seattle  
• Lindsey Whyte - Washington Innocence Project, Seattle

12:45 p.m. > Lunch provided for in-person attendees (45 minutes)

1:30 p.m. > Trial Ethics  
60 minutes, 1.0 Ethics  
• Merri A. Baldwin - Rogers Joseph O'Donnell PC, Seattle  
• Judge Janet M. Helson - King County Superior Court, Seattle

2:30 p.m. > BREAK (15 minutes)

2:45 p.m. > Direct Examination and Exhibits  
75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP  
• Jason Brookhyser - King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Seattle

4:00 p.m. > Adjourn and Evaluations

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NOTE: Two scholarships are available for this program. To learn more and apply, please visit this link: [2025 Trial Advocacy Scholarship Application](#). Applications are due on Friday, May 2.

# WSBA CLE NME250605 SEA/WEB

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### Day 2: Friday, June 6, 2025

**8:00 a.m. > Check-in • Walk-in Registration • Morning Refreshments**

**8:10 a.m. > Webcast Lobby Opens/In-person Sign-in opens**

**8:25 a.m. > Opening Remarks/Housekeeping**

**8:30 a.m. > Presenting Evidence and Demonstrative Evidence**

*75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP*

- **Lei Young** – Washington State Office of Public Defense, Olympia

**9:45 a.m. > BREAK (15 minutes)**

**10:00 a.m. > Cross Examination and Redirect**

*75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP*

- **Cassie Trueblood** – Snohomish County Public Defender Association, Everett

**11:15 a.m. > BREAK (15 minutes)**

**11:30 a.m. > Preparing Witnesses and Issues with Expert and Hostile Witnesses**

*75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP*

- **Michael Scheuer** – Heyman & Schueler, PLLC, Seattle

**12:45 p.m. > Lunch (45 minutes)**

**1:30 p.m. > Closing Arguments**

*75 minutes, 1.25 L&LP*

- **Paul Sewell** – PWRFL, Seattle

**2:45 p.m. > Adjourn and Evaluations**

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# REGISTRATION

Please fill out the registration form and mail to WSBA seven business days prior to the program. To register online, go to [www.wsbacle.org](http://www.wsbacle.org) and enter 250605 in the search box. For your security, do not email or fax credit card information.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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If special accommodations are needed, please email [cle@wsba.org](mailto:cle@wsba.org) or call toll-free at 1-800-945-9722.

☐ Please omit my name from the networking list made available to exhibitors and/or attendees.

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

- ☐ **NME250605SEA, attend in Seattle, 6/5/25 & 6/6/25**  
☐ \$399 - Standard  
☐ \$149 - New Members\*
- ☐ **NME250605WEB, attend via webcast, 6/5/25 & 6/6/25**  
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*\*New Members who have been admitted to practice in Washington for fewer than five years are eligible to receive the new member tuition.*

- ☐ **Check enclosed payable to WSBA**
- ☐ **Visa**    ☐ **MasterCard**    ☐ **AmEx**

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*Registrations received less than 48 hours before a seminar are not guaranteed a coursebook or other presentation materials on-site.*

### Seminar Registration Transfers, Refunds and Cancellations

In most circumstances, if you cannot attend the live event, we can transfer your registration to the on-demand product, once available (8-10 weeks from the program delivery date). Generally, for webcast/ webinar registrations, tuition fees may be refunded, less \$25 for processing, for written cancellations postmarked, emailed, or faxed up to the start of the event. For in-person registrations, tuition fees may be refunded, less \$25 for processing, for written cancellations postmarked, emailed, or faxed by 5 p.m. up to three business days before the event. No refunds will be provided after the dates specified. You may also send a substitute in lieu of canceling. *When applicable, specific exceptions to these policies will be noted on individual event registration pages.* Please email [cle@wsba.org](mailto:cle@wsba.org) with any requests or questions.

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- MAIL >** Please fill out this registration form and mail to WSBA seven business days prior to the program along with your check payable to WSBA. Credit card payments by mail or fax are no longer accepted.