



Delaware Chapter of the Federal Bar Association



DISTRICT OF DELAWARE **BENCH & BAR CONFERENCE** SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2023 | WILMINGTON, DE

Thursday, September 21

8:30 am – 9:15 am	Registration & Breakfast
9:15 am – 9:30 am	Introduction by Jeff Castellano (President, Del. Chapter FBA) & Welcome Remarks by Chief District Judge Colm F. Connolly (D. Del.)
9:30 am – 11:00 am	PLENARY SESSION 1: In-house Counsel Perspectives (1.5 credits) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paul Grewal (Chief Legal Officer, Coinbase)• Emily O'Brien (Managing Counsel, Litigation, Google)• Lori Wolfe (Associate GC, N. America IP Litigation, Teva)• In-House Representative from Apple• Moderator: Chad Stover (Barnes & Thornburg LLP)
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Networking Break
11:15 am – 12:30 pm	PLENARY SESSION 2: Strategies for Surviving Appeal (1.25 credits) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Circuit Judge Todd M. Hughes (Fed. Cir.)• Circuit Judge Kent A. Jordan (3d. Cir.)• Circuit Judge Sharon Prost (Fed. Cir.)• Circuit Judge Leonard P. Stark (Fed. Cir.)• Moderator: Nitika Gupta Fiorella (Fish & Richardson P.C.)
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Lunch

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Thursday, September 21 (Continued)

BREAK-OUT SESSION 1 (1.0 credit)

OPTION 1: *Intellectual Property: Litigation Finance—A Changing Landscape*

- Chief District Judge Colm F. Connolly (D. Del.)
- Paul A. Bondor (Desmarais LLP)
- Alexander R. Dahl (Strategic Policy Counsel, PLLC)
- Nevin M. Gewertz (Bartlit Beck LLP)
- David Perla (Burford Capital)
- Sarah Tsou (Omni Bridgeway)
- Moderator: Stephen B. Brauerman (Bayard, P.A.)

OPTION 2: *Bankruptcy: Fiduciary Duties During Financial Distress & In Bankruptcy*

1:45 pm – 2:45 pm

- Bankruptcy Judge John T. Dorsey (Bankr. D. Del.)
- Bankruptcy Judge Thomas M. Horan (Bankr. D. Del.)
- Bankruptcy Judge J. Kate Stickles (Bankr. D. Del.)
- Christopher K. Kiplok (Hughes Hubbard & Reed, LLP)
- R. Stephen McNeill (Potter Anderson & Corroon, LLP)
- Moderator: Erin Fay (Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati)

OPTION 3: *Criminal: Third Circuit Year in Review*

- Circuit Judge Thomas L. Ambro (3d Cir.)
- Circuit Judge Stephanos Bibas (3d Cir.)
- Whitney Cloud (DLA Piper)
- Peter Goldberger (Law Office of Peter Goldberger)
- Moderator: Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Coyne (Chief of Appeals, D.N.J.)

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Newer Attorneys Reception

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Garden Tours of Winterthur

Note: Shuttles will be provided from the Hotel DuPont to Winterthur starting at 5:30 pm, and from Winterthur back to the Hotel DuPont starting at 8:30 pm.

6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Cocktails & Dinner at Winterthur with Special Guest Speaker U.S. Senator Chris Coons

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Friday, September 22

8:30 am – 9:00 am	Registration & Breakfast
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Fireside Chat with USPTO Director Kathi Vidal (1.0 credit) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kathi Vidal (Director, USPTO)• Polk Wagner (Professor, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School)
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Networking Break
10:30 am – 11:30 am	PLENARY SESSION 3: Panel with the Delaware Magistrate Judges (1.0 credit) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Magistrate Judge Christopher J. Burke (D. Del.)• Magistrate Judge Sherry R. Fallon (D. Del.)• Magistrate Judge Laura D. Hatcher (D. Del.)• Moderator: Andrew Mayo (Ashby & Geddes, P.A.)
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	BREAK-OUT SESSION 2 (1.0 credit) OPTION 1: Intellectual Property: Jury Trial Demanded—The Role of Juries in Patent Cases <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Circuit Judge William C. Bryson (Fed. Cir.)• District Judge Gregory B. Williams (D. Del.)• District Judge Alan Albright (W.D. Tex.)• William F. Lee (WilmerHale)• Moderator: Kate Mowery (Richards Layton & Finger, P.A.) OPTION 2: Bankruptcy: Evolution of DIP Financing Orders <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chief Bankruptcy Judge Laurie Selber Silverstein (Bankr. D. Del.)• Bankruptcy Judge Mary F. Walrath (Bankr. D. Del.)• W. Austin Jowers (King & Spalding LLP)• Robert J. Lemons (Goodwin Procter LLP)• Moderator: Sophie Rogers Churchill (Morris Nichols Arsht & Tunnell LLP) OPTION 3: Criminal: Sentencing Advocacy—What Works & What Doesn't <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior District Judge Joel H. Slomsky (E.D. Pa.)• District Judge Richard G. Andrews (D. Del.)• District Judge Joshua D. Wolson (E.D. Pa.)• Moderator: Assistant U.S. Attorney Shawn Weede (Criminal Chief, D. Del.)
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch

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Friday, September 22 (Continued)

BREAK-OUT SESSION 3 (1.0 credit)

OPTION 1: Intellectual Property: Patent Litigation Pitfalls—Mistakes to Avoid

- Circuit Judge Timothy B. Dyk (Fed. Cir.)
- District Judge Maryellen Noreika (D. Del.)
- District Judge Mitchell S. Goldberg (E.D. Pa.)
- Juanita Brooks (Fish & Richardson P.C.)
- Moderator: Brian Biggs (DLA Piper)

OPTION 2: Bankruptcy: Supreme Court Bankruptcy Cases

- Bankruptcy Judge Craig T. Goldblatt (Bankr. D. Del.)
- Bruce Grohsgal (Widener University)
- Moderator: Katie Good (Potter Anderson & Corroon, LLP)

OPTION 3: Criminal: Substance Use Disorder: Considerations for Practitioners and Resources for Defendants

- Magistrate Judge Christopher J. Burke (D. Del.)
- Dr. Naomi Sadeh, PhD (University of Delaware)
- Dr. Tisha Wiley, PhD (National Institute on Drug Abuse)
- Kenneth Walton (Social Worker, Federal Detention Center, Philadelphia)
- Moderators: Assistant Federal Public Defender Conor Wilson (D. Del.); Assistant U.S. Attorney Jennifer Welsh (D. Del.)

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

PLENARY SESSION 4: Panel with the Delaware District Judges (1.0 credit)

- Chief District Judge Colm F. Connolly (D. Del.)
- District Judge Richard G. Andrews (D. Del.)
- District Judge Maryellen Noreika (D. Del.)
- District Judge Gregory B. Williams (D. Del.)
- Moderator: Karen E. Keller (Shaw Keller LLP)

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

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Closing Remarks from Chief Judge Connolly (D. Del.)

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2023 Bench & Bar Registration

The full attendance registration fee includes all CLE sessions, breakfast and lunch at the conference on Thursday and Friday, and dinner at Winterthur Gardens on Thursday evening.

Conference Fees

Full Attendance Private Sector	\$995
Full Attendance Public Sector	\$250
Criminal Track Only	\$75
Guest for Thursday Dinner	\$150

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