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**Trial Tactics Workshop**

March 15-16, 2024

University of Richmond Jepson Alumni Center  
**DRAFT AGENDA**

*Requesting 7.0 HRS CLE*

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15**

1:00 – 5:00 Coaching – Teams meet with coaches and witnesses. Counsel will arrange a briefing of witnesses to fit all schedules.

Thomas G. Bell, Jr., *TimberlakeSmith* Jonathan Hyslop, *Furniss Davis Rashkind & Saunders*

Suroush (Surge) Moghaddassi, *Harman Claytor Corrigan & Wellman* Julie S. Palmer, *Harman Claytor Corrigan & Wellman*

John Peterson, *Hancock Daniel*

Bill Nossen, *Babcock Moore & Lambert*

Marshall Ross, *Emeritus Bar Member* Clinton W. Verity*, Harman Claytor Corrigan & Wellman*

3:00-4:00Afternoon Coffee & Snack Break Available

**5:00 – 6:00** **Preserving Error in the Trial Court and Beyond** Tracy Taylor Hague, *Woods Rogers* *Vandeventer Black*This session will discuss what information the record must contain for the appellate court to review your appeal. Meritorious issues frequently are waived because the record fails to show that the question was raised below, or that an objection to the court’s ruling was preserved. The session will ask you to put yourself in the judge’s position to determine what will he or she need to know to rule in your favor.

6:00 – 7:00 Networking Reception

7:15 Dinner for Judges (with VADA Leadership and Coaches)

Dinner for all others (on own or with Young Lawyers group)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16**

8:00 – 8:30 Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 8:45 Morning Briefing (for all, then disperse to separate courtrooms)

8:45 – 3:45 Moot Courts

Judges: Hon. David B. Carson, *Roanoke City Circuit Court*Hon. Lawrence R. Leonard, *United States Magistrate Judge, Eastern District*Hon. Robert B. Rigney, *Norfolk Circuit Court*Hon. Tanya Bullock, *Virginia Beach Circuit Court*

8:45-9:30 Opening Statements/Critique (in separate courtrooms)

9:30-10:30 Plaintiff’s First & Second Witnesses, Followed by Evaluation

10:30-10:45 Morning Break

10:45-11:45 Plaintiff’s Third & Fourth Witnesses, Followed by Evaluation

11:45-12:15 Lunch

12:15-2:15 Defense Witnesses (All), Followed by Evaluation

2:15-2:30 Afternoon Break

2:30-3:00 Closing Statements

3:00-3:45 Judges’ comments and critiques; participants’ questions

3:45 Adjourn