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North Carolina Judicial College

Special Topics in Small Claims: Conducting Trials

June 14-18, 2021

Monday, June 14

- 10:00 a.m. **Course Overview, Learning Objectives, & Small Claims from the POV of the Other Players** [120 mins]
Dona Lewandowski, UNC School of Government
- 12:00 p.m. *Break*
- 2:00 p.m. **Focus on You & How You Begin** [120 mins]
- 4:00 p.m. *Adjourn*

Tuesday, June 15

- 10:00 a.m. **Preparing for Court: Before You Hear the Evidence** [120 mins]
Dona Lewandowski, UNC School of Government
- 12:00 p.m. *Break*
- 2:00 p.m. **Hearing the Case: Order of Presentation & Essential Elements** [120 mins]
- 4:00 p.m. *Adjourn*

Wednesday, June 16

- 10:00 a.m. **Evidence: Eliciting Information, Asking Questions, Listening to Answers, & Assessing Credibility** [120 mins]
Dona Lewandowski, UNC School of Government
- 12:00 p.m. *Break*
- 2:00 p.m. **Evaluating Evidence: Relevance, Weight, Significance** [120 mins]
- 4:00 p.m. *Adjourn*

Thursday, June 17

- 10:00 a.m. **Attorneys & The Rules of Evidence** [120 mins]
Dona Lewandowski, UNC School of Government
- 12:00 p.m. *Break*

2:00 p.m. **Entering Judgment & Transitioning to the Next Phase** [120 mins]
4:00 p.m. *Adjourn*

Friday, June 18

10:00 a.m. **What We Didn't Get To & Developing a Plan for Change** [120 mins]
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12:00 p.m. *Adjourn*

Total Education Hours: 18.00

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