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## A courtroom look at the opioid crisis

Get a front row seat as expert litigators argue an overdose death case before presiding judge Hon. David A. Hansher, Wisconsin ABOTA's Trial Judge of the Year.

### How you'll benefit:

- Receive valuable tools, insights, and methods for going to trial
- Learn the impacts of certain trial strategies
- Gain insight into a juror's perspective by observing deliberations and post-verdict interviews
- Look at how the process differs when two defendants are involved

### Who should attend:

- Civil litigators
- Tort lawyers
- Personal injury litigators
- Criminal litigators
- Insurance attorneys

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### Key Issues

- Duty of co-drug users to render help when an overdose occurs
- Duty of a homeowner when a person overdoses in their home
- Admissibility of expert opinion that the deceased would have lived if there had been appropriate and timely medical treatment
- Insurance coverage when a person overdoses and dies

## Faculty

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# Schedule

<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Introductory Remarks by President of ABOTA</b> <i>Emile H. Banks, Jr.</i>
<b>8:05 AM</b>	<b>Seat Jury/Remarks from Judge</b> <i>Hon. David A. Hansher</i>
<b>8:10 AM</b>	<b>Opening Statements</b> <i>Plaintiff: Kelly L. Centofanti</i> <i>Defense: Michael P. Malone</i> <i>Defense Coverage: Frederick J. Strampe</i>
<b>8:50 AM</b>	<b>Direct Examination of Plaintiff</b> <i>Direct Exam: J. Michael End</i> <i>Cross Exam: Ann C. Emmerich</i> <i>Cross Coverage: Ross A. Anderson</i>
<b>9:45 AM</b>	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:15 AM</b>	<b>Direct Examination of Defendant</b> <i>Adverse Exam: Christine Bremer Muggli</i> <i>Direct Exam: Paul R. Erickson</i> <i>Cross Coverage: Frederick J. Strampe</i>
<b>11:05 AM</b>	<b>Direct Examination of Police Officer</b> <i>Direct Exam: Steven T. Caya</i> <i>Cross Exam: J. Drew Ryberg</i>
<b>11:25 AM</b>	<b>Direct Examination of Doctor</b> <i>Direct Exam: Kelly L. Centofanti</i> <i>Cross Exam: Michael P. Malone</i>
<b>11:55 PM</b>	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>12:10 PM</b>	<b>Lunch (on your own)</b>
<b>1:10 PM</b>	<b>Direct Examination of Witness</b> <i>Direct Exam: W. Patrick Sullivan</i> <i>Cross Exam: James A. Pitts</i> <i>Coverage Exam: Donald H. Carlson</i>
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Direct Examination of Witness</b> <i>Direct Exam: Claude J. Covelli</i> <i>Cross Exam: James R. Jansen</i> <i>Coverage Exam: Donald H. Carlson</i>

<b>2:50 PM</b>	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>3:05 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:20 PM</b>	<b>Instruct Jury</b>
<b>3:35 PM</b>	<b>Closing Arguments</b> <i>Plaintiff: Steven T. Caya</i> <i>Defense: Todd M. Weir</i> <i>Coverage: Arthur P. Simpson</i>
<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>4:45 PM</b>	<b>Jury Deliberation</b>
<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Verdict/Panel Discussion/Questions to Jury</b>
<b>5:50 PM</b>	<b>Program Concludes</b>

*Following program start time, actual webcast replay schedule will vary slightly from above listed times.*

# Dates / Location

## Live Seminar

Thursday, November 14, 2019  
**Pewaukee**, The Ingleside Hotel  
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## Case Synopsis

A man gets together with a woman and several friends to watch a basketball game. During this time, the group consumes illegal drugs. The man and woman leave the party to stay at her mother's condominium. That night, the woman notices the man is having trouble breathing. She calls 911 several hours later, but the man is pronounced dead at the hospital. On behalf of his estate, the man's parents are suing the woman for negligence and wrongful death.

The parties are disputing whether the woman's actions were volitional or not, further determining whether the insurance company will classify the death as an "occurrence" and provide coverage under the condominium unit owner's policy. The jury will be asked to assign liability.

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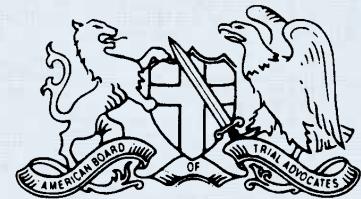
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