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From bankruptcy and business transactions to divorce and personal injury, many legal situations have a financial component. If you suspect that having a better understanding of finance could amount to better results during transactions, negotiations, and litigation, then *Finance for Lawyers* can help strengthen your skill set.

Joseph Novello, CPA, MBA, will use his wealth of experience in business and financial management to break down the complexities of financial data and explain key financial and accounting concepts. He'll show you how to interpret financial transactions and communicate more effectively with business and financial colleagues. You'll also explore key numbers and ratios, business valuation methodologies, basic concepts of financial investing like risk vs. return, and more!

How you'll benefit:

- Gain an edge in negotiation or litigation with a greater understanding of financial matters
- Learn to identify and use financial and accounting information in a wide range of legal situations
- Better help your clients meet their legal and financial goals

Who should attend:

- Any attorney who needs a better understanding of financial transactions and accounting matters
- Bankruptcy, insolvency, and creditors' rights attorneys
- Estate planning and probate lawyers
- Real estate lawyers
- In-house counsel
- Business lawyers
- Personal injury lawyers
- Civil litigators
- Family lawyers
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Schedule

- 8:30 AM Welcoming Remarks and Introduction
- 8:35 AM Foundations of Modern Accounting and the Basic Equation of Finance
- 8:50 AM Financial Statements
 - Balance sheets
 - Income and cash flow statements
 - Notes to financial statements

9:50 AM Break

10:05 AM Financial Statements (continued)

- Statement of equity and other comprehensive income
- Management discussion and analysis
- Auditor's report
- SOX certifications
- **11:05 AM Financial Statements Group Exercise**

11:20 AM Accounting Methodologies and Principles

- Accrual vs. cash basis
- Other principles
- 11:35 AM Who's Who in Financial Reporting
 - Government and nongovernment regulators

11:50 AM Lunch Break

12:50 PM Private Company Accounting

- Big company vs. small company GAAP
- Role of finance in a company and related legal support
- Private companies and the CPA
- Alternative services reviews and compilations

1:05 PM Key Numbers and Ratios

- Earnings per share (EPS)
- Price/earnings (PE) ratio
- Revenue and earnings growth
- Financial ratios-liquidity, solvency, and profitability

1:35 PM Present Value Concepts and Business Valuations

- Why do you need to value a business?
- Simple present value; Value of annuities
- Business valuation methodologies
- Resources geared toward lawyers

2:50 PM The Lawyer's Role in Financial Audits

• ABA and AICPA joint process

3:20 PM Basic Concepts of Financial Investment

- Risk vs. return
- Modern portfolio theory and diversification
- 3:50 PM Financial Fraud Schemes
- 4:05 PM Program Concludes

Following program start time, schedule may vary slightly from above listed times.

Featured Presenter

Joseph Novello, CPA, MBA, began his career in accounting and management consulting at Ernst & Young, Certified Public Accountants, in New York City and obtained his Certified Public Accounting (CPA) license in New York. He earned a bachelor's degree from Brooklyn College and an MBA in finance from New York University.



His rich experience comes from working with American and International Fortune 500 companies as Controller, CFO, and in other positions. Since founding the Financial Training Organization in 2010, Joseph has presented his finance programs to thousands of participants in 17 U.S. states and Canada.

What past attendees say about Joseph Novello

"I thought the seminar covered a broad range of topics in a very interesting and easily explained way... I would recommend it to any lawyer who needs some background in finance and business evaluations who does not have the time to take an accounting or auditing course. Thank you for having Mr. Novello!"

- "Really appreciate the variety of topics covered. Thanks for making a sometimes dry topic into an interesting presentation."
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