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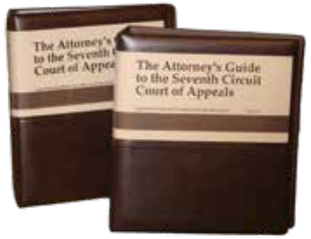

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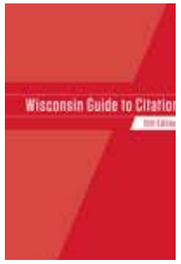

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SCHEDULE

8:00 AM **Registration**

8:30 AM **Executive Orders**
- A brief history of executive orders in the United States
- An analysis of the judicial framework for evaluating executive orders
- A review of nationwide injunctions involving executive orders
- A review of recent cases addressing executive orders

Grant C. Killoran, Ian A.J. Pitz

9:30 AM **The Constitutional Legacy of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health***
- Explore the implications for constitutional interpretation post-*Dobbs*
- Discuss recent constitutional issues in reproductive rights post-*Dobbs*

Carrie N. Killoran

10:30 AM **Break**

10:45 AM **Recent SCOTUS Developments Regarding Parental Rights**
- Historical foundations of parental rights in the United States
- Constitutional sources for protection of parental rights, including under the First and Fourteenth Amendments
- Recent and pending Supreme Court cases, including *Mahmoud v. Taylor, Mirabelli v. Bonta,* and *International Partners v. Ferguson*
- Emerging questions and potential future developments in the constitutional protection of parental rights

Donald A. Daugherty, Jr.

11:45 AM **Lunch (on your own)**

12:50 PM **SCOTUS Update**
- A review of some key Supreme Court cases from the past term
- A discussion of the impact of those decisions on the lower courts

Chad Baruch, Grant C. Killoran, Ian A.J. Pitz

2:05 PM **Break**

2:20 PM **Firearms**
- Historical interpretation of the Second Amendment
- Review of recent Supreme Court decisions on firearms

Chad Baruch

3:05 PM **Program Concludes**

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Grant C. Killoran, Co-Chair, O'Neil Cannon, Milwaukee
Ian A.J. Pitz, Co-Chair, Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, Madison
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8:30 AM **Legal Writing — How to Persuade, Engage, and Even Entertain**

- Getting to the point: Introductions that make a difference
- Formatting in the e-file age
- Knowing which facts matter (and omitting the rest)
- Avoiding common (and not-so-common) pitfalls

Chad Baruch

9:35 AM **Editing for Yourself and Others**

Charolotte J. Gibson, Colin T. Roth

10:35 AM **Break**

10:50 AM **Perceptions from the Appellate Bench on Quality Legal Writing**

- Improve your understanding of what legal writing techniques are effective in the minds of appellate court judges
- Learn what appellate judges suggest as common errors made in appellate briefs, including particularly problematic approaches
- Engage in a discussion with an appellate court judge who will candidly answer your questions about how best to write appellate and other briefs

Hon. Thomas M. Hruz

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