



# Connecticut Bar Association Litigation Section 2022 Litigation Retreat

Chatham Bars Inn, Chatham, MA ◀ May 11-13, 2022



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## Programs

### Wednesday, May 11, 2022

6:00 p.m. **Reception at Beach House Grill Chatham Bars Inn - Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres/Carving Station**

### Thursday, May 12, 2022

8:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast including the Inn's Culinary Specialties**

9:00 a.m. **Arbitration is Not Litigation Sitting Down!** Making the process faster and cheaper.

[David Reif](#), FCI Arb., Reif ADR, Branford

10:15 a.m. **Facilitating Agreements in Mediation.** Best techniques in communication and psychology for a win-win perception by all.

[Christopher B. Kriesen](#), Kalon law firm LLC, Hartford

[Lynda B. Munro](#), CT Superior Court Judge (Ret), Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

11:30 a.m. **Recent Developments in Business Litigation.** CT supreme and appellate court decisions analyzed for your practices

[William J. O'Sullivan](#), O'Sullivan McCormack Jensen and Bliss PC, Glastonbury

12:30 p.m. **Lunch** (Mediterranean buffet featuring Inn's specialties and outdoor patio access)

1:30 p.m. **Appellate Preservation for the Busy Litigator.** Essential trial practice tips not to forget.

[Karen L. Dowd](#) and [Scott Garosshen](#), Horton Dowd Bartschi & Levesque PC, Hartford

2:45 p.m. **U.S. Chief Justice Oliver Ellsworth (1796 to 1800).** A first person narrative in crimson & wig w/ Ellsworth Museum highlights.

[Brian O'Donnell](#), Reid and Reige PC, Hartford

4:00 p.m. **Latest Ethics Pitfalls in Litigation.** Remember the third-party beneficiary/silent observer and other potential downfalls.

[James F. Sullivan](#), Logan Vance Sullivan & Kores PC, West Hartford and [Suzanne Sutton](#) Cohen and Wolf PC, Bridgeport

### Friday, May 13, 2022

8:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast with culinary health requests from Retreat Chair**

9:00 a.m. **Preserving the Civil Jury Trial through Agreement and Innovation.** The Hon. Mark A. Drummond (Ret.)

Civil jury trials give clients, attorneys and judges guidance on what the community considers claims worthy of merit. If we lose these trials we lose that crucial compass. This interactive presentation will review jury innovations and attorney agreements that will assist judges and attorneys who are interested in preserving this method of resolving disputes; a method which our founders considered crucial when forming this country. Judge Drummond was a trial lawyer for 20 years followed by 20 years as a trial judge. He has led trainings in advocacy skills on five continents. He returned to the practice of law and is currently the Executive/Judicial Director of the Civil Jury Project at NYU School of Law.

11:00 a.m. **Closing Remarks**

[John L. Bonee III](#), Litigation Retreat Chair, BoneeWeintraub LLC, West Hartford

[Edward P. McCreery III](#), Litigation Section Chair, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport

12:00 p.m. **Chatham Bars Inn box lunch on Seabreeze Veranda for farewell conversation and weekend planning**



This May the CBA's litigation Section education committee is offering a creative program for our biannual retreat. We endured a postponement of our 2021 Retreat as a result of the pandemic and we are most eager to interact with one another to broaden our knowledge so as to benefit our clients and their pursuits. Our offerings seek to globally deepen our understanding of evolutionary aspects of civil trial practice so that we can best decide when to settle, arbitrate, mediate, go to trial and/or appeal, and in addition, how to most advantageously approach each aspect. In our series we hope to impart an understanding of methods by which an innovative lawyer can work with the authority conducting a dispute resolution forum to modify and design the approach and not just passively accept whatever accustomed procedure has always been the tradition in the past. A sense of history and how we all got to where we are right now will be essential to address this task. Hopefully when we depart we shall agree that it was well worth the endeavor and at the same time feel renewed health and refreshment from the salt air, excellent food and amenities which the Chatham Bars Inn is famous for offering.

John Bonee, Retreat Chair

# 2022 Litigation Retreat Registration Form

May 11-13, 2022

**Chatham, MA**

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We require that all in-person visitors to the building or off-site CBA-hosted events review our [In-person Visitor and Event Attendance Policy](#). When visiting the building in-person or by registering for and attending an in-person CBA event, you agree that you have read the CBA's requirements and affirm your commitment to comply with these requirements.

Please fill out this registration form and return it, with your payment, to: Connecticut Bar Association, 30 Bank Street, New Britain, CT 06051 or fax with your credit card information to (860)223-4488. You may also call the CBA Member Service Center to register at (844)469-2221.

Please check the appropriate price category:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$199 CBA Member

\_\_\_\_\_ \$99 YLS Section Member

\_\_\_\_\_ \$399 Non-member

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 Guest for Wednesday Evening Reception

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**Except in compelling circumstances, refunds of seminar payments will not be granted  
for cancellations received after 5:00 p.m. on March 4, 2022.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check if you are a judge, public official, or state employee (for compliance with State of CT code of ethics)

Hotel Room Reservation Details *(This must be done by you separately from the CBA registration process. Hotel reservations must be received by February to receive the reduced pricing.)*

Stay at the Chatham Bars Inn on May 11 or 12 for \$289 per night. Rooms are available for double occupancy with two queen beds or one king bed. State your accommodation needs at the time of reservation. A limited block of rooms has been reserved and are being held on a "first come, first served" basis. All reservations must be received by **Friday, March 11, 2022** to receive the group rate. Please contact Chatham Bars Inn at 1-800-527-4884 and reference the Connecticut Bar Association Litigation group to receive the above rates. One night's deposit is required at the time of booking. Seven (7) days prior to arrival, the remaining room balance is charged. Reservations may be cancelled up to thirty (30) days prior to arrival less a \$25 cancellation fee. For cancellations received within twenty-nine (29) days of arrival, deposit is not refundable.

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