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#### **Peter G. Archangeli**

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**Peter G. Archangeli** is Vice President at Trident Public Risk Solutions (TPRS), a division of Argo Group, a domestic and international specialty carrier. His undergraduate degree is from Penn State University, and his law degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law. He is admitted to practice. He has been in the insurance industry for nearly 30 years, and has been directly involved in the handling and management of public entity claims for the past 18 years. In addition, he is involved in training and forms drafting for TPRS.

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#### **Lori V. Berke**

Principal

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**Lori V. Berke** is the founder and principal of the Berke Law Firm PLLC in Phoenix. Ms. Berke's primary areas of practice are governmental and public entity liability, commercial litigation, professional liability and family law. She has represented numerous cities, counties and school districts in Arizona. Significant portions of her governmental and public entity liability cases involve 1983 claims. Ms. Berke is a member of the State Bar of Arizona Maricopa County Bar Association, Arizona Association of Defense Counsel, Arizona Women Lawyers Association and DRI. She is the chair of DRI's Governmental Liability Committee and serves on the National Foundation for Judicial Excellence 2009 Program Committee. Lori V. Berke has been practicing law in Phoenix, Arizona for 21 years, and is the founder and principal of Berke Law Firm PLLC. She has represented public entities throughout Arizona, including cities, counties, school districts and public transportation organizations. The majority of cases she handles for public entities include 42 U.S.C. 1983 civil rights defense, accident and injury

litigation, premises liability, road design, construction and maintenance liability, and transit litigation. Lori is AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell and has been designated a Southwest Super Lawyer.

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### **Karen M. Blum**

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**Karen M. Blum** is a Professor of Law at Suffolk University Law School where she teaches Federal Courts and Police Misconduct Litigation. She received her B.A. from Wells College, a J.D. from Suffolk University Law School and an LL. M. from Harvard Law School. Professor Blum has been a regular faculty participant in 1983 Civil Rights Programs and Institutes throughout the United States. In addition, she serves as a faculty member for workshops sponsored by the Federal Judicial Center for Federal Judges and Federal Magistrate Judges. She has authored numerous articles in the section 1983 area and is co-author, along with Michael Avery, David Rudovsky, and Jennifer Laurin of *Police Misconduct: Law and Litigation*.

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### **Erwin Chemerinsky**

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**Erwin Chemerinsky** is the founding dean and distinguished professor of law at the University of California Irvine School of Law, with a joint appointment in Political Science. His areas of expertise are constitutional law, federal practice, civil rights and civil liberties, and appellate litigation. He is the author of seven books, most recently, *The Conservative Assault on the Constitution* (October 2010, Simon & Schuster) and nearly 200 articles in top law reviews. He frequently argues cases before the nation's highest courts, and also serves as a commentator on legal issues for national and local media.

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### **Dane S. Ciolino**

Professor of Law  
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**Dane S. Ciolino**, serves as the Alvin R. Christovich Distinguished Professor of Law at Loyola University New Orleans School of Law. His principal scholarly and teaching interests include Legal Ethics, Trial Advocacy, and Evidence. Professor Ciolino graduated cum laude from Rhodes College in 1985, and magna cum laude from Tulane Law School in 1988, where he was inducted into Order of the Coif and served as Editor in Chief of the Tulane Law Review. After graduating from law school, Prof. Ciolino worked as a law clerk for the United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, and as an associate with Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York City, and Stone, Pigman, Walther & Wittmann in New Orleans. Professor Ciolino has served as reporter to the Louisiana State Bar Association Ethics 2000 Committee, as a chairperson of a Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board Hearing Committee, as a member of the Louisiana State Bar Association ("LSBA") Professionalism Committee, as a member of the LSBA Lawyer & Judicial Codes of Conduct Committee, as chairperson of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana Lawyer Disciplinary Committee and as a member of the LSBA Ethics Advisory Service. In addition to teaching at Loyola, Professor Ciolino represents lawyers and judges in disciplinary proceedings, and provides consultations on legal-ethics issues. His blog, Louisiana Legal Ethics, is at [lalegaethics.org](http://lalegaethics.org).

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## **Jody C. Corbett**

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**Jody C. Corbett** has been practicing law in Phoenix, Arizona for 16 years. She has represented numerous public entities throughout Arizona in cases involving the following issues: civil rights pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1983, premises liability, construction and maintenance liability, road design, personal injury, and intentional torts. She also has experience in contract law, insurance, and collections, including garnishment actions. Jody also has extensive experience representing clients in state, federal, and tribal appellate courts regarding numerous issues some of which include jurisdiction, immunities, proper jural entities, and res judicata.

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## **David P. Corrigan**

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**David P. Corrigan** has tried over 100 cases to verdict including employment, construction, civil rights, defamation, products liability, automobile, premises and property cases. Mr. Corrigan specializes in representing state and local governments and their employees. He has handled constitutional cases and employment discrimination and tort claims of all types against cities, counties, towns, school boards and regional authorities. He has defended school superintendents, principals, guidance counselors and teachers, and he frequently represents mayors, city council members, county supervisors, police officers and police brass.

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## **Daniel E. Eaton**

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**Daniel E. Eaton** is a partner in the litigation department of Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitek in San Diego where he advises and represents employers. A former chair of the SDCBA Legal Ethics Committee, for ten years Dan edited Ethics Quarterly, a publication abstracting California state and federal legal ethics cases. He has presented numerous DRI seminars. Dan also has provided analysis of on legal and ethical issues to San Diego and national media, including essays on CNBC.com.

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## **Benjamin E. Griffith**

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**Benjamin E. Griffith** is principal in Griffith Law Firm in Oxford, Mississippi. A member of DRI's Governmental Liability Committee since 1983, his multistate defense practice focuses on federal civil litigation at the trial and appellate level under 42 USC 1983, vote dilution and redistricting under the Voting Rights Act, First Amendment claims and insurance defense. Ben is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Mississippi School of Law, a member of the ABA Board of Governors, and editor and chapter author of *America Votes: Challenges in Voting Rights and Election Law* (ABA 2016, 3rd ed.).

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## **Mark E. Hanna**

Special Counsel

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**Mark E. Hanna** is Special Counsel at Mouledoux Bland Legrand & Brackett LLC, in New Orleans, Louisiana. He is a graduate of Creighton University (B.A.) and Tulane University Law School. He has participated in numerous trials, both as lead counsel and second chair in state and federal courts. Mr. Hanna has received Martindale Hubbell's highest "AV" rating. Mr. Hanna is the Program Chair for this Seminar.

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## **David J. MacMain**

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**David J. MacMain** is the Managing Partner of The MacMain Law Group, LLC located in Malvern, Pennsylvania. David is a member of the Defense Research Institute and the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, has been named a "Pennsylvania Super Lawyer" multiple times in the field of Civil Rights, is rated "AV" Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell, and has been selected for inclusion in the Best Attorneys of America. After college, David served as a Pennsylvania State Trooper stationed at the Avondale, Chester County Barracks where he engaged in all aspects of police work in the twenty-seven (27) municipalities that the Avondale station covered, before attending Temple University School of Law where he graduated cum laude.

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## **Laurie K. Miller**

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**Laurie K. Miller** is an attorney in the Charleston, West Virginia, office of Jackson Kelly PLLC. She practices in the firm's health care practice group where she represents hospitals, doctors, nursing homes and other health care providers in litigation matters. Ms. Miller is a member of DRI's Law Institute.

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## **Todd M. Raskin**

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**Todd M. Raskin** is a founding partner of Mazanec Raskin & Ryder Co. LPA, which has offices in Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio, and Lexington, Kentucky. He has a diverse legal practice with an emphasis on civil rights and government liability defense, as well as the defense of employers, both public and private. He has tried

more than 100 cases to conclusion in 35 years of private practice in many courts throughout Ohio and the Midwest and is a member of a number of professional organizations, including the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), the Association of Defense Trial Attorneys (ADTA), the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel (FDCC), and the Litigation Counsel of America (LCA). Todd has been selected as a Best Lawyer in America for Civil Rights Law (2012-2016) and an "Ohio Super Lawyer" for Municipal Law (2012-2016), in addition to being named "Civil Rights Lawyer of the Year" in Cleveland by Best Lawyers in 2013.

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## **Jay Alan Sekulow**

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**Jay Alan Sekulow** is Chief Counsel of the American Center for Law and Justice and the European Centre for Law and Justice. An accomplished and internationally respected judicial advocate, Mr. Sekulow has presented oral arguments before the Supreme Court of the United States in numerous cases in the defense of constitutional freedoms, especially those involving religious liberty. The National Law Journal has twice named Mr. Sekulow one of the 100 most influential lawyers in America. Mr. Sekulow is the author of numerous publications and legal articles. His book, Rise of ISIS, reached number one on The New York Times bestsellers list. In 2014, he was honored by the Greek Orthodox Order of St. Andrew the Apostle with the prestigious Athenagoras Human Rights Award. Previous recipients of the award include former U.S. presidents Jimmy Carter and George H.W. Bush and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Mr. Sekulow received his Ph.D. from Regent University, with a dissertation on American Legal History; is an honors graduate of Mercer Law School, where he served on the Mercer Law Review; and an honors graduate of Mercer University. He completed an executive program at Vanderbilt University's Owen School of Management. In 2014, he was a visiting fellow of Oxford University at Harris Manchester College, where he lectured on Middle East Affairs and International Law. In 2014, Mr. Sekulow completed a course of study at Oxford University's History, Politics and Society program on Religion and the Middle East. Mr. Sekulow has also served as a faculty member for the Office of Legal Education at the United States Department of Justice, and he has lectured around the globe. Immediately following graduation from law school, Mr.



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## **Casey C. Stansbury**

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**Casey C. Stansbury** focuses his practice on civil rights and governmental liability issues, insurance coverage and bad faith, professional liability and licensing, product liability, construction and commercial litigation, including auto and commercial trucking. He represents local, regional and national clients. He is a frequent speaker, has received numerous awards, including DRI's 2014 Albert H. Parnell Outstanding Program Chair Award, and he is also the DRI Government Liability Committee Vice-Chair and the Kentucky Defense Counsel President.

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## **Seth W. Stoughton**

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**Seth W. Stoughton** is an Assistant Professor at the University of South Carolina School of Law, where he is affiliated with the Rule of Law Collaborative. His scholarship focuses on the regulation of police and has appeared in the *Minnesota Law Review*, the *Tulane Law Review*, the *Virginia Law Review*, and other journals. He has appeared on national and international media and written for *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *The State*, and other news publications. He teaches in the criminal law area, including Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, and the Regulation of Vice. Seth served as an officer with the Tallahassee Police Department for five years. In that time, he trained other officers in report writing, helped create policies to govern the use of new technologies, earned multiple instructor and operator certifications, and taught personal safety and self-defense courses in the community. In 2004, he received a Formal Achievement Award for his role as a founding member of the Special Response Team. After leaving the police department in 2005, Seth spent three years as an Investigator in the Florida Department of Education's Office of Inspector General, where he handled a variety of criminal and administrative investigations. In 2008, he received a statewide award for his work combating private

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### **Linda Weber**

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**Linda Weber** is a Litigation Consultant at Visual Evidence Corp. based in Valley View, Ohio. Linda has over 25 years of experience in the legal industry. In her capacity as a Litigation Consultant, she assists attorneys with comprehensive litigation support through consulting and creation of demonstrative exhibits. Linda is called upon to assist attorneys with litigation related presentations from inception to creation. She has worked with jury consultants, focus groups and testifying experts. Linda speaks frequently at seminars and law firms on the topics of courtroom technology and effective use of demonstrative evidence exhibits.

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### **Monté L. Williams**

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**Monté L. Williams**, a former state trooper, works to protect his clients at trial, managing litigation, negotiating settlements, conducting investigations, or partnering with them to find ways to avoid future problems. Monté collaborates with his clients long before litigation is a reality to protect them and fight for the best possible outcome.

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### **John T. Wixted, Ph.D.**

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**John T. Wixted, Ph.D.**, is a Distinguished Professor in the Department of Psychology at University of California San Diego. His research is concerned with understanding the mechanisms of human memory, focusing on the neuroscience of memory and amnesia, signal-detection analyses of recognition memory, and eyewitness memory. He is the author of more than 100 research articles and book chapters, and in 2011, he was the recipient of the Howard Crosby Warren Medal for outstanding achievement in experimental psychology.

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