

# 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FEDERAL CIVIL PRACTICE SEMINAR

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Register  
by April 25  
for reduced  
rate

## Friday, May 16, 2025

### Agenda

**9:00 AM – 4:15 PM**

**Richland Federal Courthouse**

**Lunch provided**

825 Jadwin Ave., Richland, WA

**Non-Refundable** Registration Fee:

**\$150 if register by April 25**

**\$175 if register by May 9**

**6 CLE Credits:**

**including 1 Ethics Credit**

**(Application pending with WSBA)**

## Register

**Register online at:**

<https://bfbacivilcle.regfox.com/benton-franklin-county-bar-association-19th-annual-civil-cle->

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**Seminar materials will be emailed**

- 9:00 am Welcome**
- 9:05 am What Discovery Can I Get: comparing federal and Washington discovery rules**  
*Casey Bruner and Asti Gallina, Riverside NW Law Group*
- 10:00 am Walk the Line: the ethics behind jury investigation and selection**  
*Jay McEntire and Colin Prince, Connelly Law*
- 10:45 am Break**
- 11:00 am Caselaw Update**  
*Judge Mary Dimke, Magistrate Judge Alexander Ekstrom, and Magistrate Judge James Goeke*
- 11:45 am Lunch at the Holiday Inn on the River**
- 12:45 pm EDWA Updates**  
*Diana Garcia, Columbia Legal Services  
Paul Stewart, Paine Hamblin*
- 1:00 pm Return to Courthouse**
- 1:15 pm Social Security: updates and advocacy in federal court**  
*Chad Hatfield, Hatfield Law  
James Tree, Tree Law Office*
- 2:00 pm We Can Think of 237.6 Million Reasons Why Non-Economic Damages are Important**  
*Chad Mitchell and Quinn Oppenheim, Summit Law Group*
- 3:00 pm Break**
- 3:15 pm Ask-the-Judges Panel: advocacy tips**  
*Judge Mary Dimke, Judge Rebecca Pennell, and WDWA Magistrate Judge Michelle Peterson, moderated by Magistrate Judge Ekstrom*
- 4:15 pm Adjourn**