

FBA 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & CLE INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION & AGENDA

The 2021 FBA Annual Conference and CLE will be held **in-person*** on **Friday, October 8, 2021, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Spokane Convention Center** in Spokane, Washington, located at 334 West Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, Washington, 99201. The conference is in **Room 300B in the Centennial Lobby** area, which is located on the northeast side of the campus, e.g., to the northeast of the Doubletree Hotel (please see the attached map below). **Please arrive at least 15-20 minutes prior to the conference start time for the check-in process.**

The full conference agenda is attached below.

*The FBA anticipates it will not be offering live streaming of the conference to the Richland or Yakima federal courthouses as offered in the past. If you were planning on attending the live stream at either one of these locations, please contact FBA President, Amy Mensik, at 509-755-2081 or amm@witherspoonkelley.com by no later than October 1, 2021.

REGISTRATION & COST

Register for the conference here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-fba-eastern-district-of-washington-in-person-conference-cle-tickets-163586063319>.

Cost to attend the conference is **\$90.00 per person**, representing the annual FBA membership fee. Please note that the online event-management vendor charges an additional fee per ticket and credit card is the only form of payment accepted. Due to attendance management protocols, an individual ticket is required for each attendee (i.e., no general group/firm registrations). The FBA appreciates attendees' understanding and assisting the FBA manage this event's logistics.

Registration closes on October 7, 2021. Please bring a copy of your ticket to the conference.

CLE INFORMATION

The FBA anticipates that the Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) will approve at least 5.5 CLE credits for the conference and CLE, including at least one ethics credit. Materials will be distributed electronically to registrants the day prior to the conference.

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS & REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS

The FBA looks forward to welcoming attendees back in person to interact in a safe manner. COVID-19 protocols and mandates will be observed. **Masks will be required in accordance with current Washington indoor mandates.** Seating will also be provided in a socially distanced manner and attendees will be asked to maintain social distancing.

If you require a reasonable accommodation to attend the conference, please contact FBA President, Amy Mensik, at 509-755-2081 or at amm@witherspoonkelley.com by **October 4, 2021.**



FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON CALL FOR TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS

Call for Trustee Candidates & Voting

The Federal Bar Association for the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington (FBA) is seeking nominations for one (1) open Trustee position on its Board. The Board's Officers and Trustees for 2021/2022 will be elected by the FBA membership at the upcoming annual conference on October 8, 2021. **You must attend the conference to vote.**

Trustee Role & Eligibility

Trustees serve two-year terms on the FBA Board. Trustees assist the Officers in organizing and hosting the annual district conference, as well as assist the Officers in serving as the primary liaison between the federal bench and the attorneys who practice in the district. To be eligible to serve as a Trustee, the individual must be a current member of the FBA (including paying the current annual dues and licensed to practice before the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington). Eligible individuals can become current members of the FBA by registering for the 2021 FBA District Conference & CLE via the conference registration link here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-fba-eastern-district-of-washington-in-person-conference-cle-tickets-163586063319>.

The \$90 registration fee represents the annual membership fee and includes admission to the conference. Additional information about the conference is available via the court's CM/ECF email conference announcement or on the court's website.

How to Nominate a Trustee Candidate

Nominations should include the name of the individual being nominated and a short statement (150 words or less) regarding the nominee's experience in federal court and why that individual would make a good Trustee. **Please send nominations via email (subject: FBA Trustee Nomination) to FBA President, Amy Mensik, at amm@witherspoonkelley.com, before close of business Monday, October 1, 2021.**

For any questions, please contact FBA President, Amy Mensik, at the email above, or 509-755-2081.



EASTERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE & CLE

Spokane Convention Center

October 8, 2021

The conference will be held **in-person** at the Spokane Convention Center.* Please join or renew your membership to register for the 2021 conference and CLE. The \$90 annual membership fee includes the District Conference and CLE.

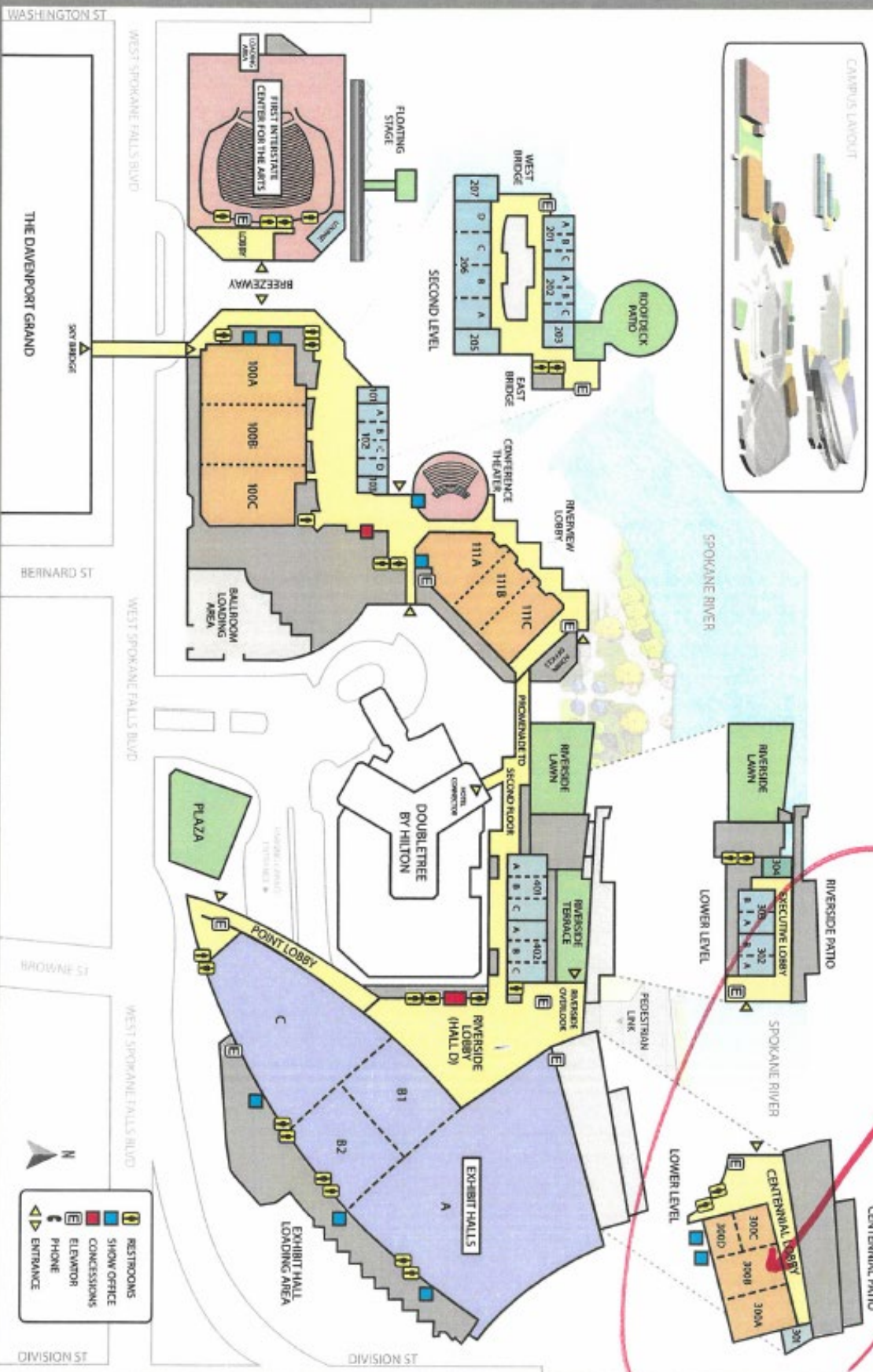
PROGRAM SCHEDULE

8:30 – 8:40 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks Amy Mensik (Witherspoon Kelley; Eastern District FBA President)
8:40 – 9:15 a.m.	State of the District Hon. Stanley A. Bastian (Chief Judge, Eastern District of Washington)
9:15 – 9:30 a.m.	State of the Circuit Hon. Eric. D. Miller (Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals)
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	Remotely Litigating – Part 1: Pre-Trial Hon. Michelle L. Peterson (Magistrate Judge, Western District of Washington) Sally Harmeling (Jeffers, Danielson, Sonn & Aylward, P.S.)
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	<i>Break</i>
10:45 – 11:45 a.m.	Remotely Litigating – Part 2: Trial Hon. Michelle L. Peterson (Magistrate Judge, Western District of Washington) Michelle N. Bradford (Barnes & Thornburg LLP)
11:45 – 1:00 p.m.	<i>Lunch</i> (on your own)
1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Impact of <i>State v. Blake</i> on Criminal Sentencing James Goeke (Moderator) (Magistrate-Appointee, Eastern District of Washington) Colin Prince (Chief Appellate Attorney, Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington) Stephanie Van Marter (Assistant U.S. Attorney, Eastern District of Washington)
2:00 – 2:50 p.m.	Break Out Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Action Residuals: Advancing Equal Justice for All – Main Auditorium Nancy Isserlis (Moderator) (Winston & Cashatt) Hon. Stanley A. Bastian (Chief Judge, Eastern District of Washington) Mark Griffin (Class Action Counsel) Caitlin Davis (Executive Director, Legal Foundation of Washington) • Bankruptcy 101: Bankruptcy for Non-Bankruptcy Attorneys – Location TBD Daniel Gibbons (Witherspoon Kelley)
2:50 – 3:00 p.m.	<i>Break</i>
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Section 230 & the Law of the Internet: What It Is, What It Isn't, & Where It's (Maybe) Going Ari Cohn (Law Office of Ari Cohn; Adjunct Fellow, TechFreedom)
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Confronting Structural Racism in Indian Country Jurisdictional Laws: The Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women Crisis & the Federal Response (Ethics) Bree Black Horse (Kilpatrick & Townsend)

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