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**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**February 6-7, 2015 – Houston**  
**Crowne Plaza Hotel -- Downtown**

**Friday, February 6, 2015**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Breakfast**

**9:00 – 9:15 a.m.**

**Welcome and Housekeeping Matters**

**9:15 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Member Roundtable Discussion**

**10:00 – 10:30 a.m.**

**NCLDB Annual Business Meeting**

**10:30 – 10:45 a.m.**

**Break**

**10:45 – 12:15 p.m.**

**Session I. Perspectives on the  
Appropriate Sanction in Attorney  
Discipline Cases (Joint NCLDB/NOBC  
Session)**

A panel consisting of representatives of the adjudication, prosecution and defense functions or attorney regulation will join with a law professor and a representative of the ABA Center for Professional Responsibility to discuss determining the correct sanction from all of their perspectives. The panel will discuss the application of the ABA Standards for Imposing Lawyer Discipline, and address the decision-making process in jurisdictions which have not adopted the Standards. The panel will address hypotheticals and seek input from conference attendees in a lively educational experience. [*Moderator: Daniel Mack Traynor (ND); Panelists: Paul J. Burgoyne (PA); Donald D. Campbell (MI); Prof. Michael S. McGinniss (ND); Hon. Catherine D. Purcell (CA); Jamie Sudler (CO)*]

**12:15 – 1:30 p.m.**

**Lunch**

**1:30 – 2:30 p.m.**

**Session II. Managing Public Relations  
and Public Expectations**

This session will explore the various ways in which lawyer disciplinary boards interact and communicate with the public. The session will provide examples of information available on court and bar association web sites that describe the disciplinary process, how disciplinary agencies respond to media requests and inquiries, and tools for managing grievant expectations through the intake and investigation process. [*Presenter: Richard A. Dove (OH)*]

**2:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Session III. ABA Review of Lawyer and  
Judicial Disciplinary Systems**

Since 1980, the ABA Standing Committee on Professional Discipline, at the invitation of state supreme courts, has helped jurisdictions improve their lawyer disciplinary systems. The Committee does so through its successful lawyer discipline system consultation service. In turn, the Committee has learned from other jurisdictions of practices and procedures that can translate nationally for the benefit of the public and the profession. The consultation program focuses not only on the investigative and prosecutorial parts of the system, but on the adjudicative pieces. *[Moderator: Jacqueline Rogers (ME); Panelists: Chuck Plattsmier (LA); Donna Roberts (LA); Ellyn Rosen, (ABA Center for Professional Responsibility)]*

**3:30 – 3:45 p.m.**

**Break**

**3:45 – 5:00 p.m.**

**Session IV. Scoundrels, Thieves, and  
Other Notorious Characters**

Case reviews involving notorious respondents from Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Texas who made names for themselves by their nefarious deeds that have established case law and set the standard for years to come. *[Moderator: Elaine Bixler (PA); Panelists: Richard A. Dove (OH); Maureen Mulvenna (IL); Howell K. Rosenberg (PA); Beth Stevens (TX)]*

**Saturday, February 7, 2015**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Breakfast**

**9:00 – 10:15 a.m.**

**Session V. Public Perception of Attorney  
Discipline & Volunteer Adjudicators**

A panel composed of two non-lawyers and a disciplinary agency staff member will discuss three related topics: (1) the public's perception of attorney ethics and discipline; (2) recruiting & engaging volunteer adjudicators; and (3) effective methods of training volunteers. A particular focus will be placed on the engagement of public member volunteers. *[Moderator: Jordan D. Huck (LA); Panelists: Maureen Mulvenna (IL); Dr. Robert A. Simon (CA); Linda P. Spain (LA)]*

**10:30 – 10:45 a.m.**

**Break**

**10:45 – 11:45 a.m.**

**Session VI. Negotiated Discipline/ADR  
Options in Disciplinary Cases**

This panel will explore the different approaches that certain jurisdictions use to reach settlements prior to formal hearings. Among the approaches to be discussed are stipulations, consent and voluntary settlement conferences. *[Moderator: Hon. Leslie Hayashi (HI); Panelists: Mark Armitage (MI); Glenn Grossman (MD)]*