

# BRIDGE-THE-GAP I PROGRAM

JANUARY 22-24, 2010 BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES OF 2009 & 2008

## Satisfy all of your New York State MCLE Requirements

Attorneys admitted to the New York State Bar on or after October 1, 1997 are required to complete 16 hours of approved Continuing Legal Education courses per year during the first two years of admission. Brooklyn Law School will be presenting **PLI's Bridge-the-Gap I** program on January 22-24, 2010, which will enable you to satisfy all of your annual requirements for Mandatory Continuing Legal Education for Newly Admitted Attorneys in the State of New York at one time. Why not take advantage of this one-time only opportunity to attend this program at Brooklyn Law School and earn your MCLE credits at a significantly reduced cost?

This program is designed to give you the practical skills and techniques essential to your practice. Each program attendee will receive a complimentary copy of PLI's comprehensive course materials, which provide practical pointers and sample forms.

**Please note: Even if you DID NOT pass the 2009 New York State Bar Examination, you may still take this program and carry your credits over until the date of your admission.**

### New York State MCLE Rules, Effective January 2002:

In accordance with New York State MCLE Rule (2)(D)(1) Partial Credit — Credit shall be awarded only for attendance at an entire session of a course or program. No credit shall be awarded for attending a portion of a course or a portion of a session.

### New York State MCLE Rule 2(D)(2) Repeat Attendance

— No CLE credit hours may be earned for repeating the same course or program, in any format, even if the course or program is repeated in a subsequent reporting cycle. **Therefore, if you attended the 2009 Bridge-the-Gap I program at Brooklyn Law School, or Bridge-the-Gap I at the Practising Law Institute, you cannot receive MCLE credit for attending this 2010 program.**

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2010

6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

3 NYMCLE Credit Hours—  
Ethics and Professionalism

6:00 - 7:45

### The Deadly Dozen: 12 of the Most Common Mistakes Lawyers Make When Dealing with Clients

**Chair: Gordon Eng**, *Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, New York City*

**Faculty: Sari Gabay-Rafiy**, *Gabay-Rafiy & Bowler LLP, New York City; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2000*

**Ronald C. Minkoff**, *Frankfurt, Kurnit Klein & Selz PC, New York City*

**Lewis Tesser**, *Tesser Ryan & Rochman LLP, New York City*

7:45 - 8:00 Break

8:00 - 9:00

### What Every New Attorney Must Know About Ethics

**Pery D. Krinsky**, *Law Offices of Michael Ross, New York City*

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2010

10:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.

7 NYMCLE Credit Hours (Skills — 6 Credit Hours,  
Practice Management — 1 Credit Hour)

10:00 - 12:00

### Real World Practice Skills

**Richard Abend**, *Abend & Silber, PLLC, New York City; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002*

**Samuel Krantz**, *Krantz & Krantz LLP, New York City; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2000*

(There will be one 15-minute break.)

12:00 - 1:00

### Managing Stress in a Down Economy

**Arnie Herz**, *Legal Sanity Programs, Port Washington, New York*

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 3:00

### Real World Practice Skills (Continued)

3:00 - 3:15 Break

3:15 - 4:30

### Jury Selection

**Richard Abend**, *Abend & Silber, PLLC, New York City; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002*

4:30 - 5:30

### Public Speaking – Personal Presentation

**Jay Hewlin**, *Life Management Institute, Washington, D.C.*

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2010

10:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

6 NYMCLE Credit Hours—  
Professional Practice

10:00 - 11:15

### Matrimonial Practice

**Elena Karabatos**, *Schlissel Ostrow Karabatos PLLC, Garden City, New York; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 1986*

11:15 - 11:30 Break

11:30 - 12:45

### Using Bankruptcy to Help Your Client

**Norma E. Ortiz**, *Ortiz & Ortiz LLP, New York City*

**Rachel Blumenfeld**, *Law Office of Rachel Blumenfeld, New York City; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2000*

*Blumenfeld, New York City; Brooklyn Law School Alumna, Class of 2000*

12:45 - 1:45 Lunch

1:45 - 3:00

### Healthcare Law

**Margaret J. Davino**, *Kaufman Borgeest & Ryan LLP, New York City*

3:00 - 3:15 Break

3:15 - 4:30

### Employment Law Practice

**Kevan Cleary**, *Office of the United States Attorney General, New York City*

**Keisha-Anne Gray**, *Proskauer Rose, New York City*

**Steven Warshawsky**, *The Warshawsky Law Firm, New York City*