

# BRIDGE-THE-GAP I PROGRAM

PRESENTED AT BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 22-24, 2013

Dean Prince Moot Court Room, 7th Floor, 250 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, New York

## BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES OF 2012 & 2011

### 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 February 22-24, 2013, 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 2012 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 2012 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 2013 program.**

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2013 • 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

3 NYMCLE Credit Hours — Ethics and Professionalism

6:00 P.M. – 7:45 P.M. **The Deadly Dozen: 12 of the Most Common Mistakes Lawyers Make When Dealing with Clients**

**Chair: Gordon Eng**, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer, Sky Harbor Capital Management, LLC

**Faculty: Vincent T. Chang**, Wollmuth, Maher & Deutsch LLP

**Lewis Tesser**, Tesser Ryan & Rochman LLP

7:45 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Break

8:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. **What Every New Attorney Must Know About Ethics**

**Pery D. Krinsky**, Krinsky PLLC, New York City

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2013 • 10:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

6 NYMCLE Credit Hours — Professional Practice

10:00 A.M. – 11:15 A.M. **Matrimonial Practice**

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

11:15 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. Break

11:30 A.M. – 12:45 P.M. **Using Bankruptcy to Help Your Client**

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

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

12:45 P.M. – 1:45 P.M. Lunch

1:45 P.M.-3:00 P.M. **Employment Law Practice**

**Kevan Cleary**, Office of the United States Attorney General; Adjunct Assistant Professor of Clinical Law, Brooklyn Law School

**Keisha-Ann G. Gray**, Proskauer Rose LLP

**Steven Warshawsky**, The Warshawsky Law Firm; Adjunct Assistant Professor, Brooklyn Law School

3:00 P.M. – 3:15 P.M. Break

3:15 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. **Protest and the First Amendment**

**Gideon O. Oliver**, Law Office of Gideon Oliver; Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2003

**Martin R. Stolar**, The Law Offices of Martin R. Stolar; Staff Attorney, National Lawyers Guild

Program Attorney: Peter M. Beattie

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<http://www.brooklaw.edu/btg>

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2013 • 10:00 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.

7 NYMCLE Credit Hours

Skills — 6 Credit Hours, Professional Practice — 1 Credit Hour

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. **Communication Skills for Lawyers in the Digital Age**

**Gary A. Munneke**, Pace University School of Law

12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M. Lunch

1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. **Practicing in the NY State and Federal Court Systems**

**Richard H. Abend**, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

**Kenneth J. Anand**, Vandenberg & Feliu, LLP, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

2:00 P.M. – 3:15 P.M. **Key Skills for Starting a Practice: Entity Formation, Basic Filings, Trust Accounts, Malpractice Insurance, and Low-Cost Legal Research**

**Richard H. Abend**, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

**Kenneth J. Anand**, Vandenberg & Feliu, LLP, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

3:15 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. Break

3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. **Running the Business – Law Practice Management for Small and Solo Firms**

**Richard H. Abend**, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

**Kenneth J. Anand**, Vandenberg & Feliu, LLP, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. **Basic Drafting Skills – From Engagement Letters to Contracts**

**Richard H. Abend**, Abend & Silber, PLLC, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002

**Kenneth J. Anand**, Vandenberg & Feliu, LLP, Brooklyn Law School Alumnus, Class of 2002