

*Alaska Bar Association*

# 2022 ANNUAL CONVENTION

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October 26-28, 2022

Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center



Register at [www.alaskabar.org/2022Convention](http://www.alaskabar.org/2022Convention)

## 2022 Convention Information

### HOTEL

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Anchorage Marriott Downtown Hotel, 820 W. 7th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501. Make your reservations online using at [this link](#) or by calling 1-800-228-9290 or 907-279-8000. Mention the Alaska Bar Association.

Room rates are \$169 and based on availability. Reservations must be made by September 25, 2022 to get the group rate.

### MEETING SITE

Convention Registration, CLE programs, luncheons and Thursday night's banquet will be held at the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center, 600 W 7th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501.

Wednesday's Opening Reception will be held at the Alaska Native Heritage Center, 8800 Heritage Center Dr, Anchorage, AK 99504. Transportation will be provided.

### AIR TRAVEL TO THE CONVENTION

Alaska Airlines has provided a 7% discount on all travel to Anchorage. Make your reservation online at [www.alaskaair.com](http://www.alaskaair.com) and provide discount code **ECME126**.

### CAR RENTAL

Avis provides Alaska Bar Association members with a year-round discount program available at Avis Alaska airport rental locations in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kenai, and Juneau. Go to <https://reservations.avisalaska.com> enter "**AKBAR**" for your "Corp Discount Code" and special rates will be quoted for each vehicle offered. A valid driver's license and major credit card in renter's name is required.

### CONVENTION CANCELLATION POLICY

There is a \$50 cancellation fee on your registration. **No refund of registration fees can be made for cancellations after October 19, 2022.**

### MCLE ALASKA


New lawyers (admitted to the Alaska Bar five years or less) can pair with another new lawyer OR a more experienced lawyer to attend convention CLEs by paying a \$25 Companion Fare, when registering together with a lawyer paying the full 3 day registration fee. Both members must register together under one login and payment must be made with one credit card.

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### REGISTRATION FEES\*

\$350.....	3 Day access to all CLEs
\$250.....	1 Day access (Wed. or Thurs.)
\$129.....	1 Day access (Fri.)
\$50.....	Hard copy of course materials

\*Ticketed events  are not included in registration fees. A listing of all ticketed events and associated prices are on page 7. There is a \$50 cancellation fee on your registration. Add \$50 to registration fees after October 5, 2022.

No refunds can be made for cancellations after Friday, October 19, 2022.

QUESTIONS? Call the Alaska Bar office at 907-272-7469/fax 907-272-2932  
Or e-mail [cle@alaskabar.org](mailto:cle@alaskabar.org) for more information.

Free CLE Certificates: Free CLE Certificates do not apply to the convention.

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# Wednesday, Oct. 26

7:30 a.m.

**Registration and Exhibits Open – Breakfast provided**

8:20 a.m.

## **WELCOME ADDRESS**

*Jessica Graham, President*



Graham

8:30 a.m.

## **U.S. SUPREME COURT OPINIONS UPDATE**

**(1.5 General CLE Credits)**

*Dean Erwin Chemerinsky,  
University of California  
Berkeley Law School*

*Professor Laurie Levenson,  
Loyola Law School, Los  
Angeles*



Chemerinsky



Levenson

A comprehensive review of recent decisions of the Alaska Supreme Court and the Alaska Appellate Courts

10:00 a.m.

**Break**

10:30 a.m.

## **U.S. SUPREME COURT OPINIONS UPDATE continued**

**(1.5 General CLE Credits)**

*Dean Erwin Chemerinsky and Professor Laurie Levenson*

12:15 p.m.

## **LUNCHEON – TICKETED EVENT – UPDATE ON STATE AND FEDERAL COURTS IN ALASKA**

*Chief Justice of the  
Alaska Supreme  
Court Daniel Winfree  
and Chief Judge  
Sharon Gleason of the  
U.S.D.C. for the District  
of Alaska will report on*

*current issues, successes, and happenings in both  
the state and federal courts of Alaska.*



Winfree



Gleason

1:30 p.m.

## **Alaska Appellate Law Update**

**(1.5 General CLE Credits)**

*Dean Erwin Chemerinsky*

# 2022 Alaska Bar Annual Convention

## SPONSORS

## EXHIBITORS

## Wednesday, Oct. 26 *Continued*

3:00 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m.

### ■ **FEATURED SPEAKER**

*Elie Mystal | The Nation magazine*

**(1.5 General CLE Credits)**

Justice correspondent and attorney

Elie Mystal will share his personal journey from big law associate to legal correspondent. He will also discuss the importance of encouraging attorneys to participate in local media to help educate communities on important legal issues.



Mystal

5:00 p.m. **CLEs end**

5:30 p.m.

**Board buses at the Dena'ina Center for Welcome Reception**

6:00 p.m.

■ **WELCOME RECEPTION at Alaska Native Heritage Center**

**TICKETED EVENT – Alaska Native dance performance by ANHC Dancers**

8:00 p.m.

**Hospitality Suite opens at the Marriott Downtown**  
*Sponsored by the Anchorage Bar Association*

## Thursday, Oct. 27

7:30 a.m.

**Registration and Exhibits Open – Breakfast provided**

**Section Chairs Breakfast**

*(by invitation only)*

8:20 a.m.

### ■ **WELCOME ADDRESS**

*Jessica Graham, President*

8:30 a.m.

### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

**(1.5 General CLE Credits Each)**

### ■ **GAIN THE EDGE! NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES FOR LITIGATORS**

*Martin Latz, Esq. | Latz Negotiation Institute*

You negotiate every day. In fact, your ability to negotiate effectively may be the most critical skill a litigator can possess. Yet most negotiate instinctively or intuitively. This seminar will help



Latz

## Thursday, Oct. 27 *Continued*

you approach negotiations with a strategic mindset. And make no mistake – no matter how much you've negotiated, you can still learn. Adding that one new tactic may be the difference between winning and walking away empty-handed. Whether you are negotiating a settlement or a discovery dispute, this seminar will give you the knowledge, skills and power to deal with negotiation issues you encounter every day.

### ■ **BREAKING OUT OF THE FORM: SMART DIRECTION FOR BETTER CONTRACTS**

*Stuart Teicher, Esq. | The CLE Performer*

It is time to write contracts differently!

Stuart Teicher, Esq (the "CLE

Performer") uses his unique style to

explain why lawyers need to break free

from the restrictions of the past — those

dreaded forms. Whether it is rewriting

the form or drafting from scratch,

Stuart teaches us how to make our

contract drafting better by focusing on the essence of

transactional drafting, the details of proper contract

structure, and the key details in our writing. Topics

include:

- why contract structure is critical
- drafting contingencies that work, and the role of definitions
- drafting clearly and without ambiguity



Teicher

### ■ **BUILDING A HEALTHY PRACTICE - CONSIDERATIONS AND TOOLS LAWYERS NEED TO BUILD A CLIENT-CENTERED, FUTURE-FOCUSED FIRM**

*Stephanie Everett, Esq. | Lawyerist*

How can lawyers compete in today's market?

Clients expect a frictionless experience.

And yet, the way most law firms have

operated in recent memory didn't

prioritize their client's needs or make

attempts to make how a client works

with a law firm easier. In this session, you will hear the

possibilities for a new way to build your business. We

will explore how lawyers are changing the way they

approach their business to build a future-focused firm.

Then, we will give concrete examples of what lawyers

are putting in place to put their clients first. Finally,

you will hear what future-focused firms are doing to

address their client's needs in new and exciting ways.



Everett

10:00 a.m. **Break**

10:30 a.m.

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.5 General CLE Credits each)

### ■ GAIN THE EDGE! NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES FOR TRANSACTIONAL LAWYERS

*Martin Latz*

You negotiate every day. In fact, your ability to negotiate effectively may be the most critical skill a corporate, transactional or business lawyer can possess. Yet most negotiate instinctively or intuitively. This seminar will help you approach negotiations with a strategic mindset. And make no mistake – no matter how much you’ve negotiated, you can still learn. Adding that one new tactic may be the difference between winning and walking away empty-handed. Whether you are in a contract negotiation or helping sell a closely held company, this seminar will give you the knowledge, skills and power to deal with negotiation issues you encounter every day.

### ■ FLUFF IS FOR PILLOWS, NOT LEGAL WRITING

*Stuart Teicher*

Lawyers have been passing bad writing habits down from generation to generation. In this program, Stuart Teicher (the “CLE Performer”) teaches a new, more concise way of persuasive legal writing. Attendees will learn:

- the new paradigm for legal writing is what he calls the “Surgical Strike.”
- how lawyers can make their writings clear, concise, and direct by using Plain English.
- the proper overall structure for a document, as well as a stop-by-step process for an effective persuasive paragraph.

### ■ STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP - DEFINING VISION, VALUES AND NEXT PRIORITIES AS THE FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS

*Stephanie Everett*

Do you have a strategy in place for your law firm or are you handling each day as it comes? Your law firm strategy should be the drive of many of the smaller decisions you make within the firm, so you cannot afford to skip it. In this interactive workshop, you will complete the first three essential steps to building your firm’s strategic plan—vision, values, and firm priorities. You will not only understand the importance of each element, but you will start the work necessary to put these key elements in place for your firm. Your workshop facilitator, Stephanie Everett, will coach you throughout the process and help you if you get stuck in the process.

12:15 p.m.

## ■ LUNCHEON – TICKETED EVENT – ALASKA BAR ASSOCIATION DIVERSITY COMMISSION UPDATE

1:30 p.m.

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.5 Ethics CLE Credits each)

### ■ FAIL BETTER: CONTINUING EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE BIAS IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION

*Sean Carter, Esq. | Humorist at Law*

In this surprisingly funny seminar, Sean Carter will illustrate how even hidden and seemingly benign biases based on race, gender, religion, disability and sexual orientation can affect even the most fair-minded person, prevent lawyers from effectively representing clients and creating diverse and inclusive workplaces. And while these biases are somewhat unavoidable, it is possible for lawyers to “fail better” in a continuing effort to eliminate bias in the legal profession.



Carter

Specifically, the speaker will discuss in detail how each of the foregoing biases impairs our efforts to administer justice fairly both inside and outside of formal legal settings.

### ■ WHERE IS YOUR DATA? PRIVACY, SECURITY, AND YOUR ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

*David Elkanich | Buchalter*

Protecting law firm data is no longer as simple as locking the office door. Lawyers are now able to store, access, and communicate confidential client information electronically. And lawyers often do so remotely, which increases the risk that the data will be exposed to interception, misplacement or theft. In the age of wireless networks, cloud computing, and mobile lawyering, law firms must develop strategies to protect electronic data. This presentation will explore how lawyers can manage data security issues and will provide practical tips on the risks associated with working remotely.



Elkanich

3:00 p.m.

**Break**

# Thursday, Oct. 27 Continued

3:30 p.m.

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.5 Ethics CLE Credits each)

### ■ NICE LAWYERS FINISH FIRST

*Sean Carter, Humorist at Law*

It has been said that nice guys finish last. And while that might be true in the rough and tumble arenas of politics, professional prize fighting and marriage, nothing could be further from the truth in the practice of law. Zealous representation does not require us to be zealots. In fact, the most effective representation requires just the opposite. Nice lawyers finish first, and so do their clients!

In this offbeat presentation, Mr. Carter uses humor to stress the importance of not only being “nice,” but also embodying all the traits of true professionalism:

- Integrity -- making our word our bond.
- Civility -- being zealous but not zealots.
- Efficiency -- expediting client matters.
- Charity -- giving of our time and talents for the benefit of others.
- Conciliation -- always willing to entertain compromise.
- Accommodation -- making reasonable allowances for others.
- Humility -- putting the client’s interests first.

### ■ BLOGGING, TWEETING, AND LINKEDIN, OH MY! HOW LAWYERS CAN EFFECTIVELY ENGAGE IN SOCIAL MEDIA

*David Elkanich, Buchalter*

For better or worse, lawyers are using social media to interact with others. Lawyers tweet and blog about current events, use LinkedIn to connect with other professionals, and publish podcasts discussing the law. Every day, we see competent lawyers utilizing technology to more effectively market and provide services to clients. But with that convenience, also comes risk. This presentation will explore how the ethics rules apply to lawyers, both professionally and personally, in this changing landscape. From responding to negative social media posts to being anonymous online, we will discuss competency in this age of technology.

5:00 p.m.

**CLEs end**

6:00 p.m.

### ■ RECEPTION AND DINNER – TICKETED EVENT

**Keynote – Professor Victoria Nourse,  
Georgetown University Law Center**



Nourse

8:00 p.m.

## HOSPITALITY SUITE –

*Sponsored by the Anchorage Bar Association  
Anchorage Marriott Downtown*

# Friday, Oct. 28

7:30 a.m.

## Registration and Exhibits Open – Continental Breakfast provided

### Local Bar Presidents Breakfast

*(by invitation only)*

8:20 a.m.

### ■ WELCOME ADDRESS

*Jessica Graham, President*

8:30 a.m.

### ■ PANEL DISCUSSION WITH PROFESSOR NOURSE (1.5 General CLE Credits)

10:00 a.m.

**Break**

10:30 a.m.

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS (1.5 CLE Credits each)

### ■ ETHICS FOR ATTORNEYS SERVING AS DIRECTORS FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

*Bonnie Paskvan | Dorsey  
and Whitney, Anchorage  
Mackenzie McNaughton  
| Dorsey and Whitney,  
Minneapolis*

Lawyers are often approached to serve as directors of nonprofit organizations, which can be a professionally and personally rewarding experience. However, such service often raises both professional and ethical issues for lawyers, and this presentation will discuss related issues such as clarifying the role the lawyer is serving in with respect to the organization and identifying conflicts of interest. The discussion will include real-world experience from lawyers that have significant experience of advising and serving as fiduciaries for nonprofit organizations.



Paskvan



McNaughton



# Friday, Oct. 28 *Continued*

## ■ ETHICS FOR GOVERNMENT ATTORNEYS

Phil Shanahan | Bar Counsel, Alaska  
Bar Association State of Alaska Ethics

Attorney TBA Government attorneys practice in a broad range of areas: agency, municipal, and legislative counsel; prosecutors; public defenders; and adjudicators, to mention just a few.

This session examines ethical concerns that may arise for all government lawyers, as well as some particular issues that affect civil and criminal practitioners.



Shanahan

12:15 p.m.

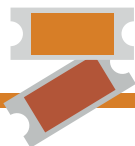
## ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON – TICKETED EVENT

Outgoing Board Members and Passing the Gavel

1:30 p.m.

**Convention ends**

## TICKETED EVENTS



### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

12:15 p.m.

**\$40**

#### Luncheon

##### Update on State and Federal Courts in Alaska

Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court Daniel Winfree and

Chief Judge Sharon Gleason of the U.S.D.C. for the District of Alaska

Rabinowitz Public Service Award

Court Community Outreach Award

6:00 p.m.

**\$50**

#### Welcome Reception at the Alaska Native Heritage Center, 8800 Heritage Center Drive

##### Alaska Native dance performance by ANHC

##### Dancers

Transportation will be provided.



### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

12:15 p.m.

**\$40**

#### Luncheon

##### Diversity Commission Update

Human Rights Award

2022 Benjamin Walters Distinguished Service Award

25, 50, 60 Year Membership Recognition

6:30 p.m.

**\$75**

#### Reception and Dinner

##### Keynote Speaker: Professor Victoria Nourse,

Georgetown University Law Center

2022 Bryan P. Timbers Pro Bono Awards

Judge Nora Guinn Award

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

12:15 p.m.

**\$40**

#### Annual Meeting Luncheon

Meeting is open to all members with optional lunch purchase. Outgoing Board Members; Passing the gavel; Awards

Distinguished Service Award

Alaska Bar Professionalism Award

Robert K. Hickerson Public Service Award

Layperson Public Service Award

# Speakers

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## Professor Victoria Nourse, Keynote Speaker

Professor Nourse is a Ralph Whitworth Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center. She is one of the nation's leading scholars on statutory interpretation, Congress, and the separation of powers.

Her latest book, *Misreading Law, Misreading Democracy*, was published by Harvard Press in 2016. She has also published widely on the power of the President and the separation of powers, *Reclaiming the Constitutional Text from Originalism: The Case of Executive Power*, 106 Calif. L. Rev. 1 (2018), and on constitutional rights, including her book, *In Reckless Hands* (Norton 2008), the story of *Skinner v. Oklahoma* and American eugenics. She is a coauthor with Yale's William Eskridge and Abbe Gluck of the most up to date casebook on legislation: *Statutes, Regulation, and Interpretation: Legislation and Administration in the Republic of Statutes* (2014 & 2018 Supp.).

Professor Nourse has had a distinguished career in government up and down Pennsylvania Avenue. In 2015-2016, she served as Chief Counsel to the Vice President of the United States. Prior to that she served as an appellate lawyer in the Justice Department and Special Counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee. The story of her role in the fight for the original Violence Against Women Act is told in the 2009 book *Equal: Women Reshape American Law*.



**Professor Victoria Nourse**

## Elie Mystal, Featured Speaker

Elie Mystal is the justice correspondent with *The Nation* magazine—covering the courts, the criminal justice system, and politics—and the force behind the magazine's monthly column "Objection!" He is also an Alfred Knobler Fellow at the Type Media Center. His first book, the best-selling *Allow Me to Retort: A Black Guy's Guide to the Constitution*, was released on March 1, 2022.

Mr. Mystal is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, a former associate at Debevoise & Plimpton, and a lifelong New York Mets fans. One of those things is not like the others. Prior to joining *The Nation*, Mystal was the executive editor of *Above the Law*. He is a frequent guest on MSNBC and Sirius XM.



**Elie Mystal**

## COVER ART

### "Alaska Love" by Dawn Gerety

Dawn Gerety was born in Sydney, Australia and raised across the globe in Girdwood, Alaska. As a lifelong Alaskan, she is moved by the natural splendor that has surrounded her her entire life – mountains, wildlife, rivers, wildflowers and outdoor activities. Dawn paints these images and creates her own language with a swipe of color or a rigid line of dots. She injects a fiercely whimsical vitality to Alaskan icons the only way she knows how.



# Speakers

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## Sean Carter

Sean Carter is a Harvard Law graduate who spent a decade practicing securities law before leaving the practice of law to pursue a career as the country's foremost Humorist at Law. Since then, Mr. Carter has crisscrossed the country delivering comedic professional educational seminars for more than 350 legal organizations in three dozen states. His presentation topics run the gamut from legal ethics to stress management to diversity. Yet, all of his presentations have one thing in common -- humor and plenty of it. In fact, in 2003, Mr. Carter was dubbed "America's Funniest Lawyer" by The Radio and Television Interview Report.

## Dean Erwin Chemerinsky

Erwin Chemerinsky became the 13<sup>th</sup> Dean of Berkeley Law on July 1, 2017, when he joined the faculty as the Jesse H. Choper Distinguished Professor of Law. Prior to assuming this position, from 2008-2017, he was the founding Dean and Distinguished Professor of Law, and Raymond Pryke Professor of First Amendment Law, at University of California, Irvine School of Law, with a joint appointment in Political Science.

## David Elkanich

Mr. Elkanich is a shareholder at Buchalter, in both the Portland and Seattle offices, and chairs the firm's Professional Responsibility Practice Group. Mr. Elkanich focuses his practice primarily on legal ethics, risk management, and discipline defense. He frequently counsels lawyers and law firms regarding how they can innovate through legal technology and the creation of new policies and firm structures to address client needs and the changing legal landscape. In particular, Mr. Elkanich is interested in how lawyers navigate an "electronic" practice, including cloud computing mining metadata, social media, data privacy and security issues particular to lawyers. Mr. Elkanich also is an adjunct professor at Lewis & Clark Law School, where he has taught ethics since 2012.

## Stephanie Everett

Stephanie Everett leads Lawyerist, the leading community and resource hub for starting, running, and growing a healthy small law firm. She is the co-author of Lawyerist's new book, *The Small Firm Roadmap* and is a sought-after keynote speaker at legal conferences and CLEs. Stephanie practiced at a big law firm for six years before co-founding her own firm. As the managing partner, Stephanie watched her firm grow from two lawyers to a team of twenty in just seven years. Stephanie is a 2020 recipient of the "Top Women in Legal Tech" Award from the American Bar Association.

## Chief District Judge Sharon Gleason

Sharon Gleason is currently the Chief Judge of the United States District Judge for Alaska, a position she assumed in January 2022. She has been a district judge of the District of Alaska since January 2012. She was nominated to the district court by President Obama in April 2011, and confirmed by the United States Senate in November 2011.

Judge Gleason's legal career began in 1983, when she served as a law clerk to then-Chief Justice Edmond Burke of the Alaska Supreme Court. She then worked as an attorney in private practice in Anchorage from 1984 until 2001, focusing primarily on family law. In 2001 she was appointed by then-Governor Knowles to the Anchorage Superior Court. In 2009, she became the presiding judge for the Superior Court's Third Judicial District in the Alaska Court System.

## Martin E. Latz

Renowned negotiation expert Martin E. Latz, Founder of the Latz Negotiation Institute, has trained over 100,000 lawyers and business professionals around the world to more effectively negotiate, including in Bangkok, Beijing, Brussels, Hong Kong, London, Prague, Seoul, Shanghai, and Singapore.

Latz, a Harvard Law cum laude graduate, is the author of *Gain the Edge! Negotiating to Get What You Want* and the recently published *The Real Trump Deal: An Eye-Opening Look at How He Really Negotiates* ([www.RealTrumpDeal.com](http://www.RealTrumpDeal.com)). He has also appeared as a negotiation expert on CBS, MSNBC, CNN, FOX and has been recognized in POLITICO, USA Today, The Economist, and many other publications. He writes a monthly negotiation column that appeared for many years in The Arizona Republic and that now is e-mailed to almost 40,000 readers per month.

## Professor Laurie Levenson

Laurie Levenson is Professor of Law and David W. Burcham Chair in Ethical Advocacy. She joined the Loyola faculty in 1989 and served as Loyola's associate dean for academic affairs from 1996-99. She has been a visiting professor at UCLA School of Law and a D&L Straus distinguished visiting professor at Pepperdine University School of Law.

# Speakers

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## **Mackenzie McNaughton**

Mackenzie McNaughton is a Senior Attorney in the Health Transactions and Regulations Group and Non-Profit and Tax Exempt Organizations Group at Dorsey & Whitney LLP in Minneapolis. With experience in a broad range of tax issues, Mackenzie is able to provide comprehensive advice to both tax-exempt organizations and taxable companies. She has particular expertise with advising tax-exempt organizations with taxable subsidiaries, organizations with unrelated business income-generating activities, and organizations requesting rulings from the IRS. In addition, Mackenzie has extensive experience working with U.S.-based and foreign-based healthcare organizations, higher education organizations, non-government organizations, faith-based organizations, and private foundations.

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## **Bonnie J. Paskvan**

Bonnie J. Paskvan is a Partner at Dorsey & Whitney LLP, and Co-Chair of Dorsey's firm-wide Indian & Alaska Native Law Practice Group. She is also the Diversity Partner for the Anchorage Office. Bonnie has practiced law for 35 years, 12 of which were in house at a NASDAQ-traded corporation as Corporate Counsel, two years as Chief Legal Officer of its wireless communication subsidiary, and nearly three years as General Counsel of Calista Corporation, an Alaska Native Regional Corporation. Born and raised in Alaska, one of Bonnie's significant accomplishments as an advocate was initiating the Alaska Model Entities Transaction Act, enacted into Alaska Statute for increased business flexibility.

## **Phil Shanahan**

Phil Shanahan grew up in the Boston area and graduated from Northeastern University School of Law in 1993. He moved to Alaska shortly after graduation and practiced as a criminal defense attorney in both state and federal courts. After a few years in private practice sharing office space with some of Anchorage's best and brightest criminal defense and family law attorneys, he joined the Office of Public Advocacy. In 2007, he joined a private criminal defense firm, and opened his own criminal defense practice in 2010. He is a founding member of the Alaska Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and served on its Board of Directors for four years, including one year as a marginally-effective Secretary of the Board. He began his role as Bar Counsel with the Alaska Bar Association in December of 2019.

## **Stuart I. Teicher**

Stuart I. Teicher, Esq. is a professional legal educator who focuses on ethics law and writing instruction. A practicing attorney for over two decades, Stuart's career is now dedicated to helping fellow attorneys survive the practice of law and thrive in the profession. Mr. Teicher teaches seminars, provides in-house training to law firms and legal departments, provides CLE instruction at law firm client events, and also gives keynote speeches at conventions and association meetings.

Stuart helps attorneys get better at what they do (and enjoy the process) through his entertaining and educational CLE Performances. His focus is on the ethical issues in social networking and other technology. Recently, Thomson Reuters published a book he wrote on the topic entitled, Navigating the Legal Ethics of Social Media and Technology. Stuart also speaks about "Practical Ethics"-- those lessons hidden in the ethics rules that enhance a lawyer's practice.

## **Chief Justice Daniel E. Winfree, Alaska Supreme Court**

Chief Justice Winfree joined the Alaska Supreme Court in January 2008. Born in the Alaska Territory in Fairbanks in 1953, he is the grandson of turn-of-the-century Yukon and Alaska gold rushers. From 1975 to 1978 he was a truck driver and warehouseman in pipeline construction camps and at Prudhoe Bay, working on the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. Justice Winfree earned a B.S. in Finance from the University of Oregon in 1977 and in 1981 earned M.B.A. and J.D. degrees from the University of California Berkeley. Admitted to the Alaska Bar in 1982, he spent twenty-five years in private practice in Anchorage, Valdez, and Fairbanks, working with large firms, small firms, and as a sole practitioner on matters across the state. He served nine years on the Alaska Bar Association Board of Governors and was its President from 1994-1995. He also served a term on the Bar Association's Ethics Committee and several terms on its Fee Arbitration Committee. The Bar Association presented him its Distinguished Service Award in 2007. After his final term on the Board of Governors, he joined the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Bar Foundation and served as its president for two years. He now chairs the Supreme Court's Code of Judicial Conduct Rules Committee and Appellate Rules Committee. Justice Winfree is married to another Fairbanks-born, third-generation Alaskan, Cathleen Ringstad Winfree. They have two adult children and two grandchildren, all of who live in Alaska.