



## **6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FAMILY LAW HOT TOPICS:**

### **War, Peace, and Unhappy Families Friday, October 7, 2011**

Washington State Convention Center, 800 Convention Place, 8<sup>th</sup> & Pike, Seattle

**5.50 General and .50 Ethics CLE Credits Approved, 6.00 Total Credits**

#### **Program Chair:**

**Cynthia Whitaker, Law Offices of Cynthia Whitaker**

Level: Intermediate to Advanced Program. Who Should Attend: Attorneys, Paralegals, Legal Secretaries, Parenting Evaluators, and Mental Health Professionals Interested in Family Law Issues.

#### **AGENDA**

8:00-8:30am Registration & Coffee Service

**8:30-8:40am Introduction & Overview of Topics (with apologies to Tolstoy)**  
*Cynthia Whitaker, Law Offices of Cynthia Whitaker*

**8:40-9:30am In the Trenches:  
Dispatches from the Commissioner**  
*The Honorable Les Ponomarchuk, Commissioner, King County Superior Court*

**9:30-10:00am The Nuclear Option:  
Navigating CPS for Your Family Law Client**  
*Katherine Kent, Law Offices of Cynthia Whitaker*

**10:00-10:30am Terms of Engagement:  
Ethics of Withdrawal and the Continuous Representation Rule**  
*Sam B. Franklin, Lee Smart, P.S., Inc.*

10:30-10:45am Break

**10:45-12:15pm Keep Calm and Carry On:  
Potential Pitfalls in Arbitration and Mediation**

*Jerry Kimball, Attorney at Law*

*The Honorable Charles Burdell, Judicial Dispute Resolution,  
King County Superior Court (Ret.)*

*The Honorable Paris Kallas, Judicial Dispute Resolution,  
King County Superior Court (Ret.)*

- Mediation Strategy
- Early Mediation: Pros and Cons
- What Kind of Mediation is Best for your Case?
- CR2A Drafting Issues
- Should You Agree to Mediation and Then Arbitrate with Same Facilitator?
- Standard of Review of Arbitration Decisions

12:15-1:30pm Lunch on your own

**1:30-2:30pm Why They Fight:  
Sixth Annual Case Law Review**

*Catherine Wright Smith, Smith Goodfriend, P.S.*

*Valerie Villacin, Smith Goodfriend, P.S.*

2:30-2:45pm Break

**2:45-3:45pm The Shape of the Table:  
Issues that Thwart Settlement**

*Carl Edwards, Law Offices of Carl T. Edwards, P.S.*

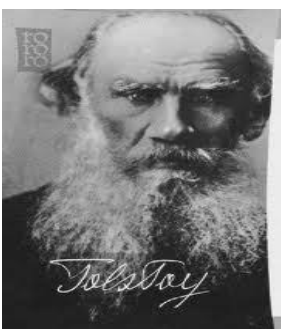
*Philip C. Tsai, Tsai Law Company, PLLC*

- Valuation, Ownership of Real Estate
- What is Income for Child Support Purposes?
- Maintenance
- Expectancies – When Will Grandma Die?
- Separate Property Claims

**3:45-4:15pm Supply Lines:  
Report on the 2011 Child Support Work Group**

*Kathleen E. Schmidt, Kathleen Schmidt Law Office*

4:15pm Evaluations & Adjournment



“Happy families are all alike;  
every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way.”

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

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**5 WAYS TO REGISTER!**

- WEB [www.kcba.org/CLE](http://www.kcba.org/CLE) (secured website)
- MAIL KCBA CLE, 1200 Fifth Avenue, Suite 600, Seattle, WA 98101
- CALL CLE Department, 206.267.7057
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**REGISTRATION FEES, FAMILY LAW HOT TOPICS**

Electronic Course Materials: The course materials will be distributed in an electronic format – searchable PDF files that you can download to your computer. Several days before the program, you will receive instructions on how to download your materials and save them to your computer.

**Priority Registration Received By 5:00pm, October 4, 2011**

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- \_\_\_ \$185 KCBA Member
- \_\_\_ \$225 Non-KCBA Member

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- \_\_\_ \$150 Non-Attorney Employees of KCBA Members
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**Registration Fee Received After 5:00pm, October 4, 2011**

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