# **Trying Divorce Cases**

Gain valuable insight into how to prepare and try a divorce case

Although only a small percentage of divorce cases are actually tried to conclusion, successful domestic relations practitioners must be prepared to try cases or successfully negotiate a settlement in the process. This program helps you improve your trial techniques by giving you the unique opportunity to observe seasoned domestic relations practitioners in action; the expert faculty try a mock divorce case from start to finish. A real estate broker and forensic accountant testify about the considerations in determining value of a marital home and how to locate and value assets and small business income. A lawyer experienced in alternative dispute resolution provides insight into the use of ADR options as a trial alternative and while preparing for trial. A Probate and Family Court judge presides over the trial, rules on evidentiary objections, provides advice, and critiques each segment as it is presented. Don't miss this unique opportunity to spend a day with litigation experts to gain valuable insight into how to prepare and try a divorce case!

## **Agenda**

- · What to Expect and How to Utilize Pretrial Hearings
- · Improving Your Witness and Case Preparation Skills
- Trial Preparation and Planning—The Last Thirty Days
- Analyzing the Value of Your Client's Marital Home
- Locating Hidden Assets and Inconsistencies in Lifestyle and Reported Income
- Direct and Cross-Examination of Experts on the Value of the Marital Home and Business
- Depositions at Trial and Use of Financial Statements During Witness Examination
- Use of the Child Support Guidelines and Alimony Considerations in Preparing Your Case
- Negotiation Strategies and Techniques
- · When, Why, and How to Use Dispute Resolution Options as a Trial Alternative
- Input and Commentary from a Probate and Family Court Judge
- "Ask the Experts" Q&A Session

# **Faculty**

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#### **BOSTON**

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- Complimentary print book for in-person registrants
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