

Eyewitness Identification

The landscape of trying ID cases

Eyewitness identification is considered one of the leading causes of wrongful conviction, accounting for more than 70 percent of exonerations revealed through DNA evidence. At the same time, such evidence remains an important tool for law enforcement to solve crimes and for the prosecution of criminal cases. Oftentimes, eyewitness identifications of a defendant are a critical point in a trial and thus it is important to begin considering the implications of eyewitness identifications from the case's inception.

Join our experienced panelists as we discuss the litigation surrounding eyewitness identifications and their admissibility. The panel addresses types of identification procedures, evaluation of identifications for suppression, conducting suppression hearings, and handling identification issues at trial.

Agenda

- Types of Identification Procedures
- Motions to Suppress Identification: Evaluation of Reliability of Identification Procedures; Crafting Motions to Suppress; Opposing Motions to Suppress; Preparation for the Evidentiary Hearing; and Conducting the Evidentiary Hearing
- Identifications at Trial: Pretrial Pleadings and Hearings; Presentation of In-Court Identification; Jury Instructions
- Expert Witnesses
- “Ask the Experts” Q&A Session

Faculty

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Dates & Location

Register at www.mcle.org

LIVE WEBCAST

Monday, October 7, 2024
2:00 pm–5:00 pm
Program # 2250095WBC

REBROADCAST

Tuesday, October 22, 2024
9:30 am–12:30 pm
Program # 2250095RB1

REBROADCAST

Wednesday, October 30, 2024
2:00 pm–5:00 pm
Program # 2250095RB2

ON DEMAND WEBCAST

View after Wednesday, October 30, 2024
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