

GDLA Trial & Mediation Academy

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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 21

- 3:30 pm Registration Open
- 4:00 - 6:30 pm Nuts & Bolts of Mediation Followed by a Mock Mediation:
Featuring BAY Mediation and Henning Mediation
(mediators TBA)
- 7:00 - 10:00 pm Reception/Dinner: Professionalism Keynote
by Fulton State Court Judge Susan Edlein
(Reception is 7:00 -8:00 pm)

THURSDAY AUGUST 22

- 8:00 am Breakfast
- 8:30 - 10:00 am Jury Selection: Faculty Demonstration
- 10:00 - 10:15 am Break
- 10:15 am -11:30 Plaintiff Opening Statement: Faculty Demo
- 11:30 - 11:45 am Break & Get Boxed Lunch
- 11:45 am - 1:00 pm Working Lunch: Opening Statements
- 1:00 - 2 15 pm Opening Statements Breakout Session:
Student performance of an opening statement
- 2:15 - 2:30 pm Break
- 2:30 - 3:15 pm Party & Lay Witness Examinations:
Faculty Demo & Discussions
- 3:15 - 4:00 pm Working Break: Party & Lay Witness
- 4:00 - 5:30 pm Breakout Session: Student performance of
direct and cross of parties and lay witnesses
- 6:00 - 6:30 pm Hospitality Suite Reception: Pizza Provided

FRIDAY

AUGUST 23

- 8:30 am Breakfast
- 9:00 - 10:00 am Consolidated Pretrial Order: Faculty Discussion
- 10:00 am - noon Faculty Demonstration: Expert Plaintiff
Faculty Demo Defendant
- 12:00 - 12:15 pm Break & Get Boxed Lunch
- 12:15 - 1:30 pm Working Lunch
Work on Cross- Examinations
- 1:30 - 3:30 pm Breakout Session: Student Demonstration of Direct
and Cross-Examination of Experts
- 3:30 - 3:45 pm Break
- 3:45 - 5:15 pm Closing Argument: Faculty Discussion and
Faculty Demo
- 5:15 - 6:15 pm Hospitality Suite Reception
- 6:15 pm Dinner on Your Own

SATURDAY

AUGUST 24

- 8:00 am Breakfast
- 8:30 - 10:00 am Closing Argument Breakout Session:
Student performance of a closing statement
- 10:00 am -noon Ethics Discussion and Awards Presentation
- 12:00 pm Adjourn

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