

Legal Issues Facing Veterans: Representing Veterans & Military Personnel

Developed by the KCMBF Legal Connection: Military Matters Program

Thursday, October 6, 2016 • 8:30 – 9:30 AM

KCMB Conference Center

Credit: Missouri – 1.0 / Kansas – 1.0

Cost: *Free for KCMB Members*

DESCRIPTION

Kansas City has a scarcity of lawyers trained to represent veterans with respect to their claims for benefits before the Veterans Affairs Administration. Too many veterans are unrepresented or under represented when they file their claims with the VA regional offices and with the Board of Veterans Appeals when their claims are denied. A Missouri Bar Journal article has noted that 45% of the appeals to the Board are in error, a rate that would be unacceptable in our civil court system. Kansas City veterans need lawyers to help prepare these claims and any appeals on a pro bono basis, so that veterans get better service and ultimately justice.

This program will cover the basics of providing legal services within the military system, the necessary steps to get accredited with the VA, the types of legal fee agreements the VA allows and the types of legal issues veterans are facing.

SCHEDULE

8:15 AM Check-in
8:30 AM Program
9:20 AM Questions
9:30 AM Adjourn

PANELISTS

Dale Bennett, *Law Offices of Dale E. Bennett, veteran*
Richard M. Curasi, *Colonel, US Army, Retired*
Dan Curry, *Brown & Curry*
Shawn Lee, *Law Office of Shawn Lee, veteran*
Linda Manlove, *Missouri Attorney General's Office, Retired, veteran*

KCMB CONFERENCE CENTER
TWO PERSHING SQUARE
2300 MAIN ST., SUITE 100
KANSAS CITY, MO 64108

4 WAYS TO PRE-REGISTER:

1. **Online** at kcmba.org
2. **Mail** completed registration form with payment to KCMB, Two Pershing Sq., 2300 Main St., Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64108.
3. **Fax** (816) 474-0103
4. **Phone** (816) 474-4322

Parking is available in the Two Pershing Square parking garage and will be validated at the event. Visit kcmba.org/parking for directions and a map.

Cancellations received 48 hours or more prior to the start of an event may receive a refund minus a \$25 processing fee, or a credit voucher in the full amount of the fees paid which will be valid for one year from the date of the event.

Substitutions for paid registrations are accepted. Credit vouchers are transferable.

No shows will not receive a refund or credit voucher. A request for refund due to emergency or hardship must be received in writing no more than 30 days after the event date.

Special accommodations may be made by contacting KCMB at (816) 474-4322 prior to the program date.

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