

**CORT TRIAL ADVOCACY SKILLS TRAINING**  
**July 23 – July 28, 2018**  
**Weber’s Inn, Ann Arbor, Michigan**  
*Agenda*

**Monday – July 23**

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| 10:00 - 1:00 | Trainer’s meeting and Lunch                                                                                                                             |
| 1:00 – 1:30  | Registration                                                                                                                                            |
| 1:30 – 2:00  | Welcome, Introductions, and Logistics                                                                                                                   |
| 2:00 - 3:00  | Lecture: Case Planning, Part I – Theory of the Case/Theme<br><i>Amy Myers, Supervising Attorney, Crime Victims Legal Assistance Project</i>             |
| 3:00 – 4:00  | Lecture: Case Planning, Part II – Structure of Trial, Order of Proofs<br><i>Amy Myers, Supervising Attorney, Crime Victims Legal Assistance Project</i> |
| 5:00 – 7:00  | Dinner (provided)                                                                                                                                       |

**Homework: Prepare exhibit examinations. Exercises 4, 9-11, 14-15, 17-18, 27-28 (exhibits, evidence); Exercises 12-13 (recollection), 16, 21 (impeachment).**

**Tuesday – July 24**

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| 8:00 - 9:00   | Continental Breakfast                                                                                                                                                           |
| 9:00 - 10:15  | Lecture: Exhibits, Evidence & Objections<br><i>Kenneth J. Kowalski, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law</i>                                                                       |
| 10:30 – 12:30 | Small Groups – Exhibits & Evidence – Exercises 4, 9-11, 14-15, 17-18, 27-28 (exhibits, evidence); Exercises 12-13 (recollection), 16, 21 (impeachment)<br><i>Breakout Rooms</i> |
| 12:30 - 1:30  | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1:30 – 2:30   | Lecture: Direct Examination – <i>Graham Teall, former Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office, E.D. of MI (retired)</i>                                                 |
| 2:45 - 3:45   | Lecture: Cross Examination – <i>Graham Teall, former Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office, E.D. of MI (retired)</i>                                                  |

4:00 – 5:00 Meet in small groups to finish any exhibits/evidence exercises and/or begin practicing for witness examinations *Breakout Rooms*

6:00 Dinner on your own  
**Homework: Prepare witness examinations. Exercises 5-8, 19-20, 22-23 (witness examinations (direct/cross)).**

**Wednesday – July 25**

8:00 - 9:00 Continental Breakfast

9:00 - 12:00 Small Groups – Begin direct/cross exams/objection exercises (with video review) Exercises 5-8, 19-20, 22-23 (witness examinations (direct/cross)) *Breakout Rooms*

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch

1:30 – 5:15 Small Groups – Complete direct/cross examination exercises (with video review) *Breakout Rooms*

5:30 - 7:00 Dinner (provided)  
**Homework: Begin to develop your opening statements and closing arguments. Exercises 3 & 25. Read Mauet on Jury Selection (chapter 3).**

**Thursday – July 26**

8:00 - 9:00 Continental Breakfast

9:00 - 10:00 Demonstration of Direct/Cross –  
*George Thomas (Direct)/Jennifer Taylor (Cross)*

10:00 – 11:00 Lecture: Opening Statement – *Michael Carter, Federal Defender Office*

11:00 – 12:00 Lecture: Closing Argument – *Julie H. Hurwitz, Goodman & Hurwitz*

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 Lecture: Jury Selection – *John Philo, Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice*

2:15 – 4:15 Small Groups – Opening statement and closing argument exercises (exercises 3 & 25) (with video review) *Breakout Rooms*

4:30 – 5:00 Partner assignments and instructions on mock pre-trials & trials

5:30 – 7:00 Dinner on your own

**Homework: Continue to work on opening statements and closing arguments. Exercises 3 & 25.**

**Friday – July 27**

- 8:00 - 9:00 Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 - 11:00 Small Groups – Complete opening statement and closing argument exercises (exercises 3 & 25) (with video review) *Breakout Rooms*
- 11:00 – 12:00 Demonstration of Opening/Closing –  
*Philip Althouse (Opening)/Veronica Martinez (Closing)*
- 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch
- 1:30 – 2:30 Explain logistics: mock trials and pre-trials
- 2:30 – 3:30 Meet with Partner

*Afternoon and evening: preparation for trial, meet with available witnesses.  
Meet with trial partner to prepare for pretrial and trial.*

- 5:00 - 6:30 Mock Pre-trials *Breakout Rooms*
- 7:00 Dinner on your own.

**Saturday – July 28**

- 7:30- 8:30 Continental Breakfast (at hotel and Courthouse)
- 8:00 - 4:00 Trials at Washtenaw County Courthouse

**Directions to Courthouse:**

Take Jackson Rd. east to downtown Ann Arbor - about 1.2 miles down Jackson Rd. becomes W. Huron St. continue on W. Huron St. until you come to Fourth Ave. (You will see the courthouse on your left side- 101 E. Huron, between Main St. and Fourth Ave.) turn left on to Fourth Ave. and the parking lot will be the first drive on your left side. It is approximately 2.27 miles away from the hotel.

Evaluations will be sent out electronically after the training.