

Connecticut Bar Foundation
James W. Cooper Fellows Symposium
Flash Forward or Lost: How Technology is
Changing the Practice of Law, and What's Next?
University of Connecticut School of Law
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Ten years ago, tweeting was something birds did, cell phones were just for making calls and electronic filing was a quaint dream. Today, you can file a motion from home in your pajamas, you can look up a case on your smart phone, and you can text a client from the beach.

Certainly, how we are practicing law is changing as we speak. This free symposium will explore multiple facets of the changing practice of law: From social media and Facebook, to the rise of internet self help sites; from Google and iPhones to cloud computing. We'll talk about how each generation is embracing (or shunning) these changes and how each generation is using (and can use) different tools to accomplish the same goals. We'll explore how 20th century rules apply to today's changes and discuss ways of adapting those rules to future needs. Finally, we'll have a special lunchtime talk on 'Would Lincoln get LinkedIn? Or Would He Tweet? Technology, Then and Now', bringing a historical perspective to our changing practice.

No matter if you're plugged in or think an 'app' is still something you order before dinner, this program is for you. This symposium features nationally recognized speakers from across the country and promises to be one of the most talked about programs of the year. It's free so don't miss your chance to be part of the discussion.

PROGRAM

7:45-8:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30-8:40 a.m. Introductions and Welcome:

- **Jeremy R. Paul**, Dean, University of Connecticut School of Law
- **Timothy S. Fisher**, Vice-President, Connecticut Bar Foundation; Partner, McCarter & English, LLP, Hartford, CT
- **Daniel A. Schwartz**, Member, Pullman & Comley, LLC, Hartford, CT

8:40-9:20 a.m.

Plenary Session: "Talkin' Bout My Generation: A Look at How Attorneys are Using Technology in Daily Life". This presentation will feature a Q&A with three attorneys representing three different "generations". Each attorney will discuss how work tasks are accomplished in their daily lives through the use (or non-use) of technology.

- **Julie Jones**, Moderator, Associate Director for Library Services, Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Connecticut School of Law
- **Tory Woodin Chavey**, Partner, Jackson Lewis, Hartford, CT
- **Sharon Wicks Dornfeld**, Attorney & Counselor at Law, Danbury, CT
- **Ryan McKeen**, Attorney, Leone, Throwe, Teller & Nagle, East Hartford, CT and Publisher, A Connecticut Law Blog

9:25-10:40 a.m.

Morning Session 1: "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs: How Technology (such as Cloud Computing) is Redefining the Lawyer/Client Relationship and the Future of the Delivery of Legal Services". What does it mean for the legal practice when so much information is available? How is technology changing client expectations and changing the way we communicate with clients? And where do we go from here?

- **Brad Saxton**, Moderator, Dean, Quinnipiac University School of Law
- **Joseph D. D'Alesio**, Executive Director, Connecticut Superior Court Operations
- **Timothy S. Fisher**, Partner, McCarter & English, LLP, Hartford, CT
- **Patricia R. Kaplan**, Executive Director, New Haven Legal Assistance, New Haven, CT
- **Louis R. Pepe**, Partner, Pepe & Hazard LLP, Hartford, CT

10:40-11:00 a.m. Break

11:00-12:15 p.m. **Morning Session 2A:** "It's Complicated: Technology for Non-Techies and How Technology is Changing the Practice of Law". Ross Kodner, President and Founder of MicroLaw, a legal technology consultancy, will speak to "non-techies" on how different types of technology can change how attorneys practice law and help make them more efficient.

- **Dwight H. Merriam**, Moderator, Partner, Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, CT
- **Ross L. Kodner**, President & Founder, MicroLaw, Milwaukee, WI

Morning Session 2B (concurrent session): "What's Your 'Avatar'? How Social Media Is Changing the Way We Work and How to Take Advantage of It". If Facebook were a country, it would now be the third largest country in the world. Clearly, social media and social networking are profoundly impacting the practice of law.

- **N. Kane Bennett**, Moderator, Raymond & Bennett LLC, Glastonbury, CT
- **Kevin O'Keefe**, Chief Operating Officer & Publisher, LexBlog, Seattle, WA
- **Brent Robertson**, President & Chief Creative Officer, Fathom, Hartford, CT

12:30-2:00 p.m.

Box Lunch Session: "Would Lincoln Get LinkedIn? Or Would He Tweet? Technology, Then and Now". This will be a breezy discussion about how each generation always thinks that the technology challenges they face are new and how what we're doing now is relevant to the legal profession.

- **Daniel A. Schwartz**, Member, Pullman & Comley, LLC, Hartford, CT; Publisher of *Connecticut Employment Law Blog*
- **Robert J. Ambrogi**, Attorney, Law Office of Robert J. Ambrogi, Rockport, MA; Media Consultant & Author of *The Essential Guide to the Best (and Worst) Legal Sites on the Web*
- **Wesley W. Horton**, Partner, Horton, Shields & Knox, PC, Hartford, CT

2:05-3:20 p.m.

Afternoon Session: "Up in the Air (and the Cloud): Addressing 20th Century Ethics Rules in a 21st Century Technological Age". Rules fashioned nearly a generation ago are buckling under the changes that technology has brought to the profession. This session will incorporate all the issues discussed during the day from an ethics perspective and discuss what's next for ethics.

- **Mark A. Dubois**, Moderator & Speaker, Connecticut Chief Disciplinary Counsel
- **David Atkins**, Member, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport, CT
- **Jane Moriarty**, Professor, Akron Law School, Akron, OH

Law and Technology Symposium Subcommittee

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From the East and West:

Take Route I-84 to Exit 46 – Sisson Avenue. (Left exit if heading East.)

At end of exit, turn right onto Sisson Avenue.

At second traffic light, turn right onto Farmington Avenue, and ***immediately*** turn left onto Sherman Street.

William F. Starr Hall is directly ahead where Sherman Street meets Fern Street.

Attendees may park in the lot right next to Starr. There is handicapped parking next to the building.

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Choice of Concurrent Sessions

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