



West Virginia State Bar

Young Lawyer Section

BRIDGE THE GAP PROGRAM

Bridgeport Conference Center
Bridgeport, West Virginia

October 17, 2022

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Check-In - Coffee, Pastries, and Meet-and-Greet
8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.	Introduction and Welcome to West Virginia State Bar: Services Offered by the Bar – Ashton Bias , Young Lawyer Board Chair & Taylor Coplin , Young Lawyer Board Secretary
8:40 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.	Living Greatly in the Law – Jack Bowman, Esq.
9:10 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Culture Shift: Tools for Sustainability in Legal Practice – Stephanne Thornton , Clinical Director for the West Virginia Judicial & Lawyer Assistance Program
10:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Legal Ethics: How to avoid the Office of Disciplinary Counsel and what to do if you have a complaint – Rachael Cipolletti, Esq.
11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Plight of the Everyday Young Lawyer: Work/Life Balance – Ashton Bias, Esq., Mitch Moore, Esq., and Joseph Ford, Esq. – Moderated by Jessie Robey, Esq.
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Federal v. State Court Civil Practice – Honorable Michael Aloi & Honorable Omar Aboulhosn, Magistrate Judges
2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	The Attorney’s Duty to the Court and Counsel – What Circuit Court Judges expect of new lawyers – Judge Joseph Reeder, West Virginia Circuit Court Judge
3:00 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.	Solo/Small Firm Practice – Eric Hayhurst, Esq.
4:00 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	The Art of Persuasion – Al Emch, Esq.