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Tuesday, October 20, 2015 Clarion Hotel, Portland

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2015 Superior Court Bench Bar Conference

The Maine State Bar Association's Continuing Legal Education Committee is pleased to present this **Bench Bar Conference**.

This special and unique program gives you the opportunity to get valuable, down-to-earth advice from judges from all over the state. Our panel of judges will conduct a frank and open discussion of issues that will interest any lawyer who may one day appear before them.

Schedule and Faculty

8:00 Registration

8:25 Welcome and Introduction

Jerrol A. Crouter, Esquire

8:30 Paperless Filing and Paperless Court Files: What's here and what's Coming

Chief Justice Roland A. Cole Justice Ann M. Murray

9:00 Management of High-Conflict Cases

Courtroom behavior, client control, conduct of trial, ad hominem attacks, speaking objections, and more.

Moderator: Justice Nancy Mills Panel: Superior Court Justices

10:00 Break

10:15 Rule 16B ADR vs. Judicial Settlement Conferences

- How they are similar?
- · How they are different?
- · Are they necessary?
- · Do they work?

Moderator: Chief Justice Roland A. Cole

Panel: Superior Court Justices and Former Justice Robert Crowley

11:00 The Best and Worst From the Courtroom

Moderator: Chief Justice Roland A. Cole

Panel: Superior Court Justices

12:00 Bench-Bar Luncheon

An opportunity for informal conversations between the lawyers and the justices.

Schedule Continued

1:00 Everything you need to know about:

- Business and Consumer Court
- 80B and 80C
- Unified Criminal Docket
- · Co-Occurring Disorder Court
- Veteran's Court
- Foreclosures
- Summary Judgment and Motions to Dismiss
- Jury Selection and Post-Selection Problems
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- Jury Selection and Post-Selection Problems
- Jury-Waived Trials

Moderator: James E. O'Connell, Esquire

Panel: Superior Court Justices

2:15 Break

2:30 More of What the Justices are Hearing

- What are jurors, clerks, marshals and court reporters saying to the justices after the trial is over?
- How do jurors react to a lawyer's courtroom style, openings, objections, sidebars, use of technology and closings?
- Can and should jurors contact lawyers?

Moderator: Chief Justice Roland A. Cole

Panel: Superior Court Justices

3:30 Questions from the Bar

4:00 Adjourn

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