

Perspectives on Public Corruption



Tuesday, November 16, 2021 – 9:00 AM – 11:35 AM
Neil Schultz Conference Center
Bureau of Workers' Compensation Building
30 W. Spring St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

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2.25 General Hrs. of CLE Credit (pending approval)

Agenda

- 8:30-8:55 Registration
- 8:55-9:00 Introduction
Tony Bledsoe, Legislative Inspector General
- 9:00-9:45 **The Prosecutor's Perspective
Bribery & Implicit Quid Pro Quo**
David DeVillers
- 9:45 – 10:30 **The Defense Attorney's Perspective
What to do when contacted by federal officials (whether it is a friendly call or a 6 AM knock on the door) and what leads public officials down the corruption path.**
Ashley Futrell
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 11:30 **Panel Discussion: The defense counsel, investigator and prosecutor perspectives**
Panelists: David Axelrod, Matthew DeBlauw & David DeVillers
Moderator: Ashley Futrell
- 11:30 – 11:35 Administrative & Evaluations

About the Seminar

The OLIG is seeking approval from the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education for 2.25 total CLE general hours

This seminar will provide a general overview of public corruption in Ohio from the perspective of the investigator, prosecutor and defense counsel.

Presenters

David DeVillers

David DeVillers is a partner at Barnes & Thornburg. From 2019 to 2021, David served as United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio. He also served as an Assistant United States Attorney from 2002 to 2019.

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Ashley Futrell

Ashley Futrell is an associate at Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick. Ashley is a former Assistant United States Attorney in the Criminal Division of the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio. She also served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office.

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Panelists

David Axelrod

David Axelrod is a partner at Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick. David served as Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida. He also served as a Trial Attorney for the Tax Division of the United States Department of Justice.

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Matthew DeBlauw

Matt DeBlauw is a Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) assigned to the FBI Cincinnati Division, Columbus Resident Agency. SSA DeBlauw spent a significant portion of his 9-year FBI career in the Cincinnati Division conducting various white-collar investigations to include public corruption and civil rights. SSA DeBlauw currently leads FBI Cincinnati's public corruption and civil rights squad along with the Southern Ohio Public Corruption Task Force.

SSA DeBlauw spent 18 months at FBI HQ in Washington D.C. in the Public Corruption Unit overseeing various public corruption programs in the Mid-West. During this assignment, SSA DeBlauw also spent time in San Salvador and Budapest providing training to the FBI's international law enforcement partners.

Registration

This seminar is available at no cost. However, seating is limited and pre-registration is required. To register for the seminar, please click [HERE](#). Registrations will not be accepted by mail, fax, or at the door. You will receive a confirmation of your registration via email.

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