

Northern Division Bench & Bar Seminar

June 12, 2026

*Approved for 5 MCLE including 1 hour of ethics
Program ID 793306*

AGENDA

- 11:30 a.m. Registration and Catered Lunch
- 12:00 p.m. Welcome
*-Chief Judge Stephen R. Clark, U.S. District Court
-Chief Judge Bonnie L. Clair, U.S. Bankruptcy Court*
- 12:10 p.m. Year in Review
*-Nathan M. Graves, Clerk of Court, U.S. District Court
-Dana C. McWay, Clerk of Court, U.S. Bankruptcy Court*
- 12:30 p.m. New Leadership, New Directives: An Inside Look into the U.S. Attorney's Office
-Thomas C. Albus, U.S. Attorney, Eastern District of Missouri
- 1:00 p.m. Eighth Circuit & Supreme Court Updates
*-Ram Desabhotla, Olivia Guidry, and Nathaniel Shulman
Judicial Law Clerks to Chief Judge Stephen R. Clark, U.S. District Court
-Matthew Rodman, Attorney Advisor, U.S. Bankruptcy Court*
- 2:00 p.m. Break
- 2:10 p.m. Last Lawyer Standing: A Federal Rules Trivia Challenge
*-Matthew Rodman, Attorney Advisor, U.S. Bankruptcy Court
-Matthew Ritter, Operations Manager, U.S. Bankruptcy Court*
- 2:40 p.m. The Crucial Role of Ethics in Today's Society
*-John Hark, Curl Hark & Holliday, LLC
Federal Practice Committee Member – Northern Division*

3:30 p.m.

Judges' Roundtable

-Chief District Judge Stephen R. Clark

-District Judge Cristian M. Stevens

-District Judge Zachary M. Bluestone

-District Judge Maria A. Lanahan

-District Judge Joshua M. Divine

-Chief Bankruptcy Judge Bonnie L. Clair

-Bankruptcy Judge Kathy Surratt-States

-Bankruptcy Judge Brian C. Walsh

*Moderated by Nathan M. Graves, Clerk of Court, U.S. District Court
and Dana McWay, Clerk of Court, U.S. Bankruptcy Court*

4:30 p.m.

Evaluations and Adjournment