

The ASSOCIATION of COMMERCIAL FINANCE ATTORNEYS, Inc.

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2025 Continuing Legal
Education Weekend

May 30 – June 1, 2025



Registration Deadline April 29, 2025



Continuing Education Program Agenda

Friday, May 30, 2025

1:00 pm–2:00 pm

Navigating Uncertainty: The “New Normal” for Trade and Economic Policy

Speaker: Gregory Donat
AlixPartners LLP
New York, NY

Mr. Donat will discuss how the current, highly-dynamic policy and economic climate might impact the nature and pace of corporate restructurings. Topics will include a discussion of how tariffs and trade, interest rates and geopolitical events might impact the business outlook in various sectors. Mr. Donat will also touch on the role of innovation and disruption, and the way it can interact with (or supersede) these other drivers in shaping the restructuring landscape.

2:00 pm–5:00 pm

The Annual UCC & Commercial Law Update

Panelists:	Penny Christophorou Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP New York, NY	Janet Nadile Milbank LLP New York, NY
	Edwin Smith Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP New York, NY	Steven Weise Proskauer Rose LLP Los Angeles, CA

The panel will discuss recent Uniform Commercial Code and other commercial law cases, the status of enactments of the 2022 UCC amendments, and some recent Uniform Law Commission drafting projects, including the Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors Act and the Commercial Finance Disclosure Act. The panelists will also discuss challenges that some groups are making to Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code.



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Saturday, May 31, 2025

8:00 am–10:00 am **Annual Bankruptcy Update**

Panelists:

Honorable Michael B. Kaplan Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of New Jersey	Daniel Besikof Lowenstein Sandler LLP New York, NY
Stephen Falanga Walsh Pizzi O'Reilly Falanga LLP Newark, NJ	Richard Levy, Jr. Pryor Cashman LLP New York, NY
Kevin Neiman Law Offices of Kevin S. Neiman, PC Denver, CO	

The panel will provide their informative annual update on developments in bankruptcy law of interest to secured creditors and their counsel.

10:00 am–11:00 am **Cybersecurity**

Speaker: Razvan Miutescu
Whiteford, Taylor & Preston LLP
Baltimore, MD

The client, the lawyer, the service provider, and the hacker: one is different from the others. Law firms are data companies with professional responsibilities in addition to legal obligations. Yet, as an industry, they continue to struggle in the face of increasing risks from cybersecurity failures. Ransomware, phishing, and business email compromise attacks take turns in being the top threat of any given year. And generative AI tools in the hands of hackers are making life worse. This presentation will review the threat landscape, remind of the importance of understanding data inventories and the lifecycles of that data, and recommend best practices to tackle the critical components of a law firm's cybersecurity compliance program.



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11:00 am–12:00 pm **The Gotchas that Getcha: Selected Commercial Finance Issues**

Panelists: Lisa Kresge
Brennan, Scungio & Kresge LLP
Providence, RI

Brandy Rapp
Whiteford, Taylor & Preston LLP
Roanoke, VA

Drafting commercial finance documents requires high attention to detail. As practitioners, we often focus on the material provisions to ensure that the deal terms are accurately memorialized. In doing so, we may gloss over boilerplate or cut and paste without a thorough review. This panel will highlight the implications of certain drafting pitfalls and tips to overcome them.



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Sunday, June 1, 2025

8:00 am–9:00 am **Diversity, Inclusion and Elimination of Bias**

Panelists: Suhuyini Abudulai
Borden Ladner Gervais
Toronto, Canada

Peter Sullivan
Borden Ladner Gervais
Toronto, Canada

This panel will discuss the new administration's war on DEI, including a review of various executive orders and the inclusion laws that they impact.

9:00 am–10:00 am **Delaware Law Updates**

Panelists: Jamie Judefind
Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP
Wilmington, DE

Ciara Sprance
Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP
Wilmington, DE

This panel will survey recent Delaware cases, highlighting takeaways that commercial finance practitioners should know.

10:00 am–12:00 pm **Ruminations on Ethics and Professionalism: Part XIV**

Panelists: R. Marshall Grodner
McGlinchey Stafford PLLC
Baton Rouge, LA

Aukse Joiner
McGlinchey Stafford PLLC
Baton Rouge, LA

Skyler Tanner
Parr Brown Gee & Loveless
Salt Lake City, UT

This year's ethics presentation will cover the latest updates on formal opinions from the ABA ethics committee and various state opinion committees, along with other notable developments in legal ethics and professionalism. Join us for an engaging discussion on the evolving standards of professional conduct and the ethical challenges influencing the legal profession today.



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Hotel Information

Check-In | Check-Out

Guest accommodations will be available at 4:00 pm on arrival day and reserved until 12:00 pm on departure day.

Attire

No swimwear, ripped, torn, or frayed clothing is permitted in the dining rooms. Casual and athletic attire is acceptable throughout the day as you enjoy the resort.

Additional Hotel Rooms

Cut-off date for the ACFA block is **April 29, 2025**. After the cut-off date or after the block has been filled, rooms may still be available upon request but will be sold at the prevailing rate.

Golf Tournament

This year's golf tournament will be held on-site at the Mohonk Mountain House on Saturday, May 31, 2025. First tee time is 2:00 pm.

Note that the entry fee (\$25.00), cost of rental clubs (\$30.00), cart rentals (\$16.00 per person for nine holes), golf accessories, etc., are the sole responsibility of the individual ACFA member and cannot be charged to ACFA.

Register for golf online when completing your online CLEW registration.

Additional Information

If you have questions or need additional information regarding the CLEW, please contact Kevin Rubinstein and Ruta Trivedi at KRubinstein@crowell.com and RTrivedi@crowell.com.



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The following activities are available to our overnight guests (please note the accessibility of some activities are based on space availability and some activities are seasonal). **Advanced reservations are required for Carriage Rides, Horseback Riding, Spa Services and Golf Tee Times.***

Complimentary Spring, Summer & Fall Activities:

Visit the Mohonk website for additional information on the activities offered:

<https://www.mohonk.com/recreation/>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 18-Hole Disc Golf Course• 18-Hole Putting Green• 85 Miles of Hiking• Award Winning Gardens & Maze• Barn Museum• Basketball• Billiards Room• Board Games – (available first-come/first-serve in Laurel Lounge) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boating – (Canoes, Kayaks, Row Boats, Paddle Boats, & Stand-Up Paddle Boards on Lake Mohonk)• Croquet• Daily Guided Hikes• Fishing – (complimentary on Lake Mohonk with your own pole; you may rent a pole or buy bait for additional costs from Boat Dock)• Fitness Center• Game Room• Golf | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Horseshoes• House Campfires• House History Tours• Indoor Swimming Pool• Lawn Bowling• Nature Walks• Playground• Rock Scrambles• Shuffleboard• Swim Beach |
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Activities which require an additional charge:

Mohonk Mountain House offers a variety of daily activities, including live entertainment, lectures, guided hikes, wellness and mindfulness sessions, and more.

Visit the Weekly Activity Schedule for the specific activities offered on your desired day:

<https://www.mohonk.com/recreation/schedule/>

- **Carriage Rides (reservation required):**
 - o Reservation required; to book: 845.256.2784 or stables@mohonk.com
 - o Private Carriage - \$400 per 25 minute ride; \$650 per 45 minute ride.
- **Golf (reservation required):**
 - o Reservation required; to book: 845.256.2784
 - o \$16 Golf Cart for 9 holes
 - o \$21 Golf Cart for 18 holes
 - o \$6 Pull Cart
 - o \$24 Club Rental
- **Mountain Biking:** \$35 per person per day
- **Private Garden Tour (reservation required):** \$125 for up to 25 people; inquire at 845.256.2021 or gardening@mohonk.com
- **Spa Services (reservation required):** prices depending on the services selected (for reservations: 877.877.2664 or spa@mohonk.com)