

**Friday, January 23, 2026**

**2:00 –5:15 p.m.**

**Senior Lawyers Division**

**3.0 MCLE Credit Hours; including up to .75 LEPR Credit Hours and**

**Supreme Court Commission on CLE Course #: 260140**

**Room Location: 100-101**

## **South Carolina-From the Revolution to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

South Carolina is making a concerted effort to recognize, and celebrate, the state's critical role in the American Revolution. As we approach this 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, our Bar has been involved in this effort. Mr. Bill Davies, a retired Nelson Mullins partner, has served on the State Commission to commemorate this event. He will be a part of our CLE. The issue of tort reform has also been at the forefront this year. The Honorable Shane Massey, majority leader of the State Senate, will address tort reform, to include legislation that has passed along with pending legislation that may be addressed in next year's legislative session. Wellness is a key to senior lawyers. A former partner in Nelson Mullins and Hull Barrett, Tara Simkins, will talk about wellness, work life balance, and how to set and stick to boundaries. Finally, a distinguished group of former trial and appellate judges, who now serve as active mediators, will talk about best practices and ethical issues in Mediations.

### **Agenda**

<b>2– 2:40 p.m.</b>	<b>250-year Anniversary of July 2, 1776</b>
	Bill Davies <i>Edisto, SC</i>
<b>2:40 – 3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lawyers: How to Set and Honor Boundaries- a Path to Wellness</b>
	Tara Simkins <i>Soul Shine Labs</i> <i>Augusta, GA</i>
<b>3:30 - 3:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:45 – 4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Tort Reform “Passed” and Pending</b>
	Senator Shane Massey <i>Massey and Massey, LLC</i> <i>Edgefield, SC</i>

4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

### **Mediation Best Practices and Ethics**

Neal Dickert  
*Dickert Mediation, LLC*  
*Augusta, GA*

The Honorable Costa Pleicones  
*Haynesworth, Sinkler, Boyd*  
*Columbia, SC*

The Honorable James Lockemy  
*SC Court of Appeals, Retired*  
*Dillon, SC*

The Honorable Lisa Kinon  
*SC Family Court, Retired*  
*Myrtle Beach, SC*

**Course Planner/Moderator:**

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