

**Thursday, January 22, 2026**  
**1:30– 4:45 p.m.**  
**International Law Committee**  
**3.0 MCLE Credit Hours**  
**Supreme Court Commission on CLE Course #: 260350**  
**Room Location: 102-104**

## **International Legal Issues: 2025 Retrospective and Things to Come**

The International Law Committee will offer a lively retrospective on 2025, a year of many international developments. The first panel will cover immigration and feature a discussion of how an immigration practitioner's day has changed since January 2025. The second panel will focus on international trade and transactions; how new tariffs are affecting international business practice in South Carolina, and what should practitioners know to guide clients through a rapidly-changing trade environment. What about in-bound foreign investment? How has that practice changed in the last year? What should foreign direct investment lawyers know for the coming years? The final panel will discuss international dispute resolution in a rapidly evolving international scene. How are methods of dispute resolution changing and what trends can be expected?

### **Agenda**

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.      **Immigration Changes in 2025: The Courts, the Consulates and CBP**  
Melissa B. Drennan  
*Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer (US) LLP*  
*New York, NY*

Brad Banias  
*Banias Law, LLC*  
*Charleston, SC*

Allison Razet  
*ParkerPoe*  
*Charleston, SC*

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.      **Interesting Times: Trade and Foreign Business Transactions**  
W. Ford Graham  
*McGuire Woods Consulting, LLC*  
*Columbia, SC*

Jay Rogers  
*Nelson Mullins*  
*Greenville, SC*

Doug Fraser  
*Ingevity*  
*North Charleston, SC*

**Moderator:** Julius H. Hines

*Hines & Gilsenan, LLC  
North Charleston, SC*

3:30– 3:45 p.m.

**Break**

3:45 – 4:45 p.m.

**Developments in International Dispute Resolution**

Usher Winlett  
*ADR Office of Usher Winslett  
Georgetown, SC*

Kathleen Paisley  
*Ambos Lawyers  
Brussels, Belgium*

Henry L. Parr  
*Wyche, P.A.  
Greenville, SC*

Kate Gonzalez  
*Airbus  
Washington, D.C.*

**Moderator:** Brent Clinkscale  
*Clinkscale Global ADR  
Greenville, SC*

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