SUMMARY: In this program, Cornell Law School Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law, W. Bradley Wendel, explores the relationship between the practice of law and the truth-telling obligations for lawyers, in and out of their roles as professionals, including application of the relevant North Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct. Following the featured speaker, a panel of experienced lawyers and Federal District Court Judge Frank Whitney lead the audience in thought-provoking discussions of relevant hypothetical fact scenarios. This interactive discussion explores the moral, ethical and legal aspects of a lawyer’s duty to be truthful.
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9:15a  **Registration and Continental Breakfast**  
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9:55  **Welcome, Announcements and Introductions**  
Kathryn W. Bradley and Gregory A. Scott

10:00  **Keynote Presentation: Truth, Truthfulness & BS in (and Sometimes Out of) the Practice of Law**  
W. Bradley Wendel | Sponsored by Brock & Scott PLLC, Winston-Salem  
Professor Wendel discusses lawyers’ obligation for truthfulness in a variety of contexts, the implications for the justice system of non-compliance, and the consequences for the lawyers who stray too far from the truth.

10:45  **Break**

11:00  **Audience Breakout: Group Discussions of Hypotheticals**  

11:30  **The Duty to be Truthful — An Interactive Discussion**  
Panelists | Chief Judge Frank D. Whitney, Catharine B. Arrowood, Burton Craige, Andrew “Drew” H. Erteschik, Mark W. Merritt and Anne M. Tompkins  
Discussion of hypothetical situations led by the panelists with participation of the featured speaker, Professor W. Bradley Wendel.

12:30p  **Networking Lunch**  (included at Live program only)

1:30  **The Duty to be Truthful – Continuing the Discussion**  
Panelists | Chief Judge Frank D. Whitney, Catharine B. Arrowood, Burton Craige, Andrew “Drew” H. Erteschik, Mark W. Merritt and Anne M. Tompkins  
Continued discussion of hypothetical situations let by the panelists with participation of the featured speaker, Professor W. Bradley Wendel.

2:30  **How Your Life Stress Affects your Cases**  †  
Katrina Kuzyszyn-Jones  
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3:30  **Adjourn**

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