Are you intimidated by the thought of examining an expert? Overwhelmed by the rules surrounding using experts in your case? Tired of witnesses running rough-shod over your best-laid plans?

If you answered *yes* to any of these questions, you're in luck! Join us for:

THE JUDGE HUGH MEANS INN OF COURT PRESENTS:

# ARE YOU IN CONTROL: MANAGING EXPERTS & FACT WITNESSES

JUNE 6, 2025 9 AM – 4 PM DOUGLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

This robust all-day training, presented by familiar faces and special guests, aims to sharpen your skills and advance your advocacy when it comes to experts, including:

> Witness Prep <>
> Direct & Cross Examination <>
> Disclosures <>
> Witness control <>

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# & SCHEDULE &

(Each session is pending approval for one hour of Kansas CLE.)

### 9 AM to 9:50 AM

<u>The Ethics of Witness Prep</u> Bethany Roberts, Barber Emerson, L.C.

### 10:00 AM to 10:50 AM

<u>Rules of Experts, including Disclosures</u> Hon. Cathy Theisen, Douglas County District Court

### 11:00 AM to 11:50 AM

<u>Direct & Cross Examination of Experts</u> Chris Joseph, Joseph Hollander & Craft L.L.C. Michele Bush, Loehrs Forensics

### 11:50 AM to 1:10 PM Lunch in the Community

1:10 PM to 2:00 PM Witness Control

Hon. Amy Hanley, Douglas County District Court

2:10 PM to 3:00 PM Panel Discussion:

Common Problems with Experts

Jessica Glendening, Chief Public Defender
for Douglas County
Casey Johnson, Director of Advocacy
at Kansas Legal Services
Terence Leibold, Petefish, Immel, Hird, Johnson &
Liebold, LLP

## > TRAINERS -

**Bethany Roberts** is a family law attorney in Lawrence. She is a highly regarded litigator, representing parents and children in the courtroom. She has extensive skill in interviewing and preparing child witnesses. She is also adjunct faculty at University of Kansas School of Law.

**Hon. Cathy Theisen** is a district court judge in Douglas County. A seasoned civil litigator, she practiced at Barber Emerson, L.C. in Lawrence for approximately 15 years before taking the bench in late 2022. Judge Theisen is a graduate of the University of Kansas School of Law.

**Chris Joseph** is the managing member of Joseph, Hollander, and Craft and practices out of their Lawrence office. An experienced litigator, Chris leads the firm's criminal defense and personal injury practice groups. He is also a Senior Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, an invitation-only trial lawyer society.

**Michele Bush** is a forensic expert and the owner of Loehrs Forensics. Frequently qualified as an expert witness, Michele has conducted digital forensic examinations all over the country. She holds numerous industry-recognized digital forensic certifications.

**Hon. Amy Hanley** is a district court judge in Douglas County. Prior to taking the bench in 2016, Judge Hanley conducted more than eighty jury trials while working for sixteen years as a criminal prosecutor. She teaches trial advocacy across the country and internationally, including Japan and Nigeria.

**Jessica Glendening** is an experienced public defender who has served as Chief Public Defender in both the Third and Seventh Judicial Districts. A seasoned trial attorney, Jessica has served as first chair for countless criminal jury trials in her career.

**Casey Johnson** is the director of advocacy and litigation at Kansas Legal Services. In this role, Casey works to mentor attorneys in their litigation skills. A skilled civil practitioner, Casey also coordinates and advises attorneys working on complex or emerging issues.

**Terence Leibold** is a partner at Petefish, Immel, Hird, Johnson & Leibold, LLP, in Lawrence. A civil litigator at heart, Terence has successfully won more than 15 trials for his clients. Currently, his practice includes real estate, creditor's rights, and representing small business and property owner associations.