

# Introduction to Federal Practice

A Primer for Practicing in the United States District Court  
And Admissions Ceremony for New Admittees

April 15, 2016

The Maryland Chapter of the Federal Bar Association is sponsoring a program for practitioners in Maryland's federal district court and/or for attorneys who want to be admitted to the Court. The CLE program will cover topics that include:

- **Summary Judgment and Oral Advocacy**
- **Jurisdiction, Venue and Removal**
- **Evidence**
- **Discovery**
- **Mediation**

The program will feature judges from the federal bench, as well as attorneys who regularly practice in the U.S. District Court. It also will include remarks and tips from the Clerk's Office of the United States District Court for the District of Maryland.

## **CLE Registration**

The program will be held in the **Ceremonial Courtroom in the United States District Court in Greenbelt** and will start promptly at 12:30 p.m., with registration beginning at noon. The program will be followed by a reception.

**An RSVP is required**, but the CLE program is offered **free of charge**. Please send RSVPs by e-mail to [sue@freemanrauch.com](mailto:sue@freemanrauch.com).

## **Admission to the Bar**

**Attorneys who want to be admitted to the U.S. District Court** must apply for admission and pay the \$200 admission fee electronically through the Court's website, <https://www.mdd.uscourts.gov/baradmapp/prerequisites.aspx>. Applicants must have a sponsor complete and sign the sponsor portion of the application, but sponsors need not attend the ceremony. Admission applications for the April 15, 2016 ceremony must be filed online by March 25, 2016. Applicants will be directed to register to attend the April 15 ceremony once their applications have been approved, but they must separately RSVP for the CLE program. The admissions ceremony will follow the CLE program and is scheduled for approximately 4:20 p.m. Admittees are welcome to have guests attend the ceremony. The reception will follow the admissions ceremony.