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Advantage CLE: Protecting the Privilege: Ethical Duties, Practical Pitfalls, and Professional Responsibility

June 25, 2026
12:00 pm CDT - 1:00 pm CDT

This program examines attorney-client privilege through the lens of ethical obligations and professional responsibility for counsel and clients. Participants explore how privilege applies in modern legal practice, common pitfalls that can result in waiver, policies for employers to utilize affecting privilege, and issues related to the use of AI by counsel and clients. The discussion will address real world scenarios illustrating how actions and inaction by counsel, managers, and employees can lead to unintended and, sometimes, irreversible waiver of privilege. The program will also analyze the ethical consequences of both proper and improper assertion of privilege, including risks to client interests, professional discipline exposure, and reputational harm, and will provide best practice guidance for ethically safeguarding privilege in today's workplace.

This session is being submitted for Ethics and/or Elimination of Bias where applicable.

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