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LITTLE AMERICA HOTEL
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CONCURRENT SESSIONS - please select one**Track 1: The Undiscovered Country: Opportunities for Wealth Preservation and Planning for Business Entities, Individuals and Trusts Having a Situs in the State of Wyoming**

1:30 - 4:45 p.m. (3 CLE credits)

⇒ Presenters: **Thomas N. Long**, *Long Reimer Winegar Beppler LLP*
Christopher M. Reimer, *Long Reimer Winegar Beppler LLP*
Natalie K. Winegar, *Long Reimer Winegar Beppler LLP*

Enjoy a discussion of reasons for establishment of Wyoming domicile for non-Wyoming individuals, trusts, and business entities, and the tools available to do so. Wyoming has emerged as a competitive player in the race among the states to become a favorable jurisdiction in which to locate a trust, a business, or individual wealth. The presenters will discuss broad considerations regarding the determination of the governing law (including tax law) applicable to an individual, business, or trust. The discussion will focus on the effect of choice of law rules and the principles that restrict other jurisdictions from interfering with the operation or taxation of a Wyoming resident, including principles of comity and the constitutional principles developed under the commerce clause and full faith and credit clause.

More specifically, the presenters will not only discuss financial advantages for individuals available in Wyoming, including low tax burdens, but also how to help a client become a Wyoming resident and how to assist a non-resident in re-domiciling their assets in Wyoming for tax and estate planning benefits; advantages enjoyed by Wyoming business entities, including cutting edge LLC and business corporation statutes, privacy, and tax considerations; practical considerations when relocating a business, including the process by which an entity can be moved (domestication, continuance, and merger); and opportunities that have made Wyoming a leading trust situs jurisdiction. Wyoming law offers a variety of useful tools, including near-perpetual dynasty trusts, privacy protections, directed trusts, trust protectors, purpose trusts, flexible migration and reformation procedures, common law decanting, virtual representation, and innovative asset protection tools.

Track 2: Getting It Wrong: The Causes and Consequences of Mistaken Identification

1:30 - 4:45 p.m. (3 CLE credits)

⇒ Presenters: **Prof. Diane E. Courselle**, *UW College of Law*
Kathryn A. Monroe, *Rocky Mountain Innocence Center*
Prof. Narina Luz Nunez, *UW Department of Psychology*

Eyewitness testimony is extremely powerful evidence and is credited by judges and juries, both in criminal and civil trials, as highly accurate. When eyewitnesses testify in court about an event that happened to them or that they observed, they are likely to be believed. However, studies show that human memory is extremely fallible, and mainstream eyewitness identification procedures have a tendency to decrease rather than increase reliability. Consequently, mistaken eyewitness identification is the number one cause of wrongful convictions.

This session will examine and address both the social science research and the case law concerning mistaken eyewitness identification and offer litigation tools for improving the reliability of eyewitness testimony. Panelists will include eyewitness experts and litigators, an innocent person wrongly convicted as the result of mistaken identification, and a crime victim who misidentified her attacker.

Track 3: Immigration Basics That Affect Your Law Practice

1:30 - 3 p.m. (1.5 CLE credits)

⇒ Presenter: **Elisabeth M.W. Trefonas**, *Trefonas Law, PC*

Review the different legal issues facing immigrant, nonimmigrant, and undocumented individuals in State and Federal Court. Participants will benefit from a basic introduction to immigration law and clarification of the various levels of immigration status. Learn the ramifications of proceedings in criminal, civil, or family courts on an individual's legal status, including potential threats of deportation and affirmative avenues to immigration benefits.

This session will also provide a review and clarification of potential avenues for relief from removal, whether an individual can "get papers," and suggestions for practitioners interested in representing clients in the Executive Office of Immigration Review, the Board of Immigration Appeals, and