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World Trade Center Mezzanine Room, Building 2 26 SW Salmon, Portland

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## **Developing Winning Themes**

An important key to any trial is developing coherent, believable and compelling themes that will allow the judge and jury to see the facts as building blocks supporting the result you desire. Two of the state's most respected trial lawyers, **Daniel H. Skerritt** of Tonkon Torp LLP and **Janet Lee Hoffman** of Janet Hoffman & Associates LLC, will draw from their 60+ years of combined experience in civil and criminal trials to offer some tips on how to identify and develop trial themes and how to construct your case presentation to use those themes effectively.

Dan Skerritt represents both plaintiffs and defendants in complex commercial litigation and disputes, including securities, corporate governance, energy and general business issues. He is the current state chair of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a fellow in the International Society of Barristers. Janet Hoffman defends individuals and corporations threatened with serious and complex criminal or regulatory proceedings, including investigations and indictments involving the SEC, EPA and DOJ. She is recognized locally and nationally for her courtroom skills and her innovative defense strategies and has been listed in Best Lawyers in America for over 10 years.

**For more information:** Call Caroline Harris Crowne, Tonkon Torp at 503.802.2056. For registration questions, call the MBA at 503.222.3275.

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