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THE PA APPELLATE COURTS: THE ERAS TOUR!

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Thursday, November 14, 2024

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Supreme Court Courtroom, 8th Floor, City County Building, Pittsburgh, PA

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❖ BEFORE APPEAL:

- **Motions in limine - Com. v. Stevenson:** *How to properly preserve evidentiary issues for appellate review.*
- **Role of statutory construction - In Re TQB, 71 MAP 2023; Commonwealth v. Lehman, 41 WAP 2022**
- **Interlocutory orders** - What factors do the intermediate appellate courts consider in reviewing interlocutory appeals by permission.
- **Appealing the denial of summary judgment after trial.**

❖ ON APPEAL:

- How to make non-substantive parts of brief persuasive - Rule #1 - respect the page limit!
- What is the judge thinking during oral argument?
- Why so many questions!!

❖ AFTER APPEAL:

- The dissent - What role does the dissent play in an appellate decision and how can it benefit/be used by a litigant?
- The allocatur - How does the Supreme Court review allocatur?
- Pending en banc issues.

❖ HOPE FOR THE FUTURE:

- Superior Court rule changes - Amendments to Rules 102, 103, 904, 2113, 2135, 2136, 2185, and 2322.
- Commonwealth court news.
- Supreme Court secrets:
 - Does the Supreme Court have a fast track for children's cases?
 - Is there a "shadow docket" for the PA Supreme Court like for SCOPA?
 - How does the Supreme Court view a reversal by the Third Circuit in PCRA cases? Does a reversal change how the Court views the issue in future cases?
- Decisions to watch for.

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Question(s) for panel members: _____
