



Virtual MCLE Event
Tuesday, May 21, 2024
12:00pm – 1:00pm

THE NUTS AND BOLTS OF WILL CONTESTS

1 hour participatory MCLE credit

No-cost, free event

Program Description

Will contests can be emotional and dramatic, in and out of court. Although many California decedents use living trusts, and many do no estate planning at all, wills remain an important tool; and a complex network of statutes governs their validity, and the process by which they are admitted to probate, as well as the process for contesting them. This program will introduce the audience to the procedures and the substantive law concerning will contests. The educational objectives for this course will include being able to identify the requirements for a valid will, the proper timing and procedures for contesting a will, as well as general familiarity with the substantive grounds on which a will can be contested.

About the Speaker

Matthew D. Kanin is Of Counsel to Greenspoon Marder LLP, where his practice includes trust and estate disputes, conservatorships, probate and trust administration, civil litigation, and appeals. Matt is a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law (by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization), and a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Trust & Estates Executive Committee, as well as President-elect of the Woodland Hills Tax & Estate Planning Council, and is a regular lecturer for these and other organizations, including the California Lawyers Association. He has extensive experience in probate, conservatorship, and trust litigation, including will contests, and trials. Matt is a 2007 graduate of Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, California, and a 2004 graduate of the George Washington University in Washington D.C., where he majored in International Affairs and Philosophy. He is also a native Angeleno, a third-generation California attorney, and married his fiancé, Maggie, on April 19, 2024. This is his second time virtually visiting the Alameda County Law Library.

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