

The Supreme Court of Ohio

March 17, 2020

Dear Sponsor of Continuing Legal Education in Ohio,

The Commission on Continuing Legal Education in Ohio has been monitoring the situation surrounding the Coronavirus – COVID-19, and the cancellation of many live continuing legal education programs. At this time, the Commission is not recommending a waiver of Ohio's twelve-hour cap on self-study. The CLE deadline for attorneys whose last names start M-Z is not until December 31, 2020 and for attorneys whose last name starts with A-L it is not until December 31, 2021. In addition, the Supreme Court of Ohio approved a new program type in July 2019 called "live interactive webinar" and although activities that have been approved in Ohio as "live interactive webinars" are self-study, they do not count towards the 12-hour cap, and can be used to fulfill up to 24 hours of the CLE requirements.

The Commission has agreed that if a sponsor cancels a live course and wants to apply for self-study for the program, the following shall apply:

1. The \$25 application fee is waived;
2. In order for the activity to be approved, a sponsor must file an application and the program must meet all the rules to qualify as a regular self-study:
<http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/AttySvcs/CLE/forms/Form10.pdf>
or live-interactive webinar:
<http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/AttySvcs/CLE/forms/Form30.pdf>,
whichever is appropriate;
3. Sponsors may email, instead of mailing, the new applications for any programs they are switching from live CLE, which are submitted prior to the next CLE meeting, which is May 8, 2020 to ccle@sc.ohio.gov

Recognizing that this is an evolving situation, the Commission on Continuing Legal Education will be reassessing the circumstances as they exist at its next meeting on May 8, 2020.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this difficult time,

Sky Pettey, Chair
Commission on Continuing Legal Education

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