Misappropriation of Client Funds, the Recent Supreme Court Cases and Attorney Trust Accounting: How to Avoid the Mistakes that are Endangering the Careers of Experienced Lawyers

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9:00am - 12:35pm

Robert B. Hille, a partner in the firm's Healthcare and Litigation Departments, will speak at the webinar "Misappropriation of Client Funds, the Recent Supreme Court Cases and Attorney Trust Accounting: How to Avoid the Mistakes that are Endangering the Careers of Experienced Lawyers," to be presented by the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education (NJICLE) on Thursday, November 18, 2021 from 9:00am - 12:35pm.

The New Jersey Supreme Court recently decided several cases in which experienced attorneys inadvertently misappropriated client funds and were disbarred or suspended. These attorneys did not knowingly steal the funds, but they violated prescribed trust accounting rules due to faulty or non-existent procedures.

An attorney can possess a sharp legal mind, an aptitude for the practice of law and an altruism that has them volunteering their time to pro bono causes, but if they inadvertently overdraw their trust account, their career can be ruined. This is so even if the client whose funds are transferred is never financially harmed.

Mr. Hille focuses his practice in the areas of insurance and healthcare law. He has extensive trial experience and has litigated a number of insurance defense and coverage, healthcare, professional liability defense, fraud and abuse, and regulatory matters. His experience also encompasses the representation of clients in response to state and federal white collar investigations, including those involving allegations and charges of healthcare fraud and abuse and the procurement of fraudulent payments from government entities. Mr. Hille is a former President of the New Jersey State Bar Association and the Bergen County Bar Association. He is a member of the firm's Criminal Defense & Regulatory Compliance Practice Group.

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