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# WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023

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**1.0 Hour CLE credits in Enhance Ethics for Delaware and Pennsylvania Attorneys** 

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#### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

We are all human beings. More Americans are experiencing stress and anxiety than ever before. Lawyers are not immune. In 2020, a study found that: "Roughly half of practicing attorneys are experiencing symptoms of depression and anxiety, with 30% falling into the mild range and nearly 20% falling in the moderate/severe range. Don't let yourself, or someone you know, become statistic! GET ON BOARD WITH us and learn stress management/resilience tips to keep you motivated and to ward off "burnout".

Just Do It - Personal and Professional Self-Audit: Your fitness depends on it.

Whether you have been practicing 2 years or 40 years, lawyers and judges will learn new strategies for fitness through positive change and wellness. Learn what is the purpose of a self-audit and the checklist to use. Plus, the relationship of ethics and wellness.

#### **CLE PROGRAM**

### WORKSHOP 3 JUST DO IT – PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SELF AUDIT: YOUR FITNESS DEPENDS ON IT

**SPEAKERS** 

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# BEHIND THE COOL IMAGE: BLUEPRINT FOR SELF & TIME MANAGEMENT

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#### Four Simple Reasons for Procrastination

<u>Difficult</u> - the task seems hard to do; we naturally tend to avoid difficult things in favor of those which seem easy to us.

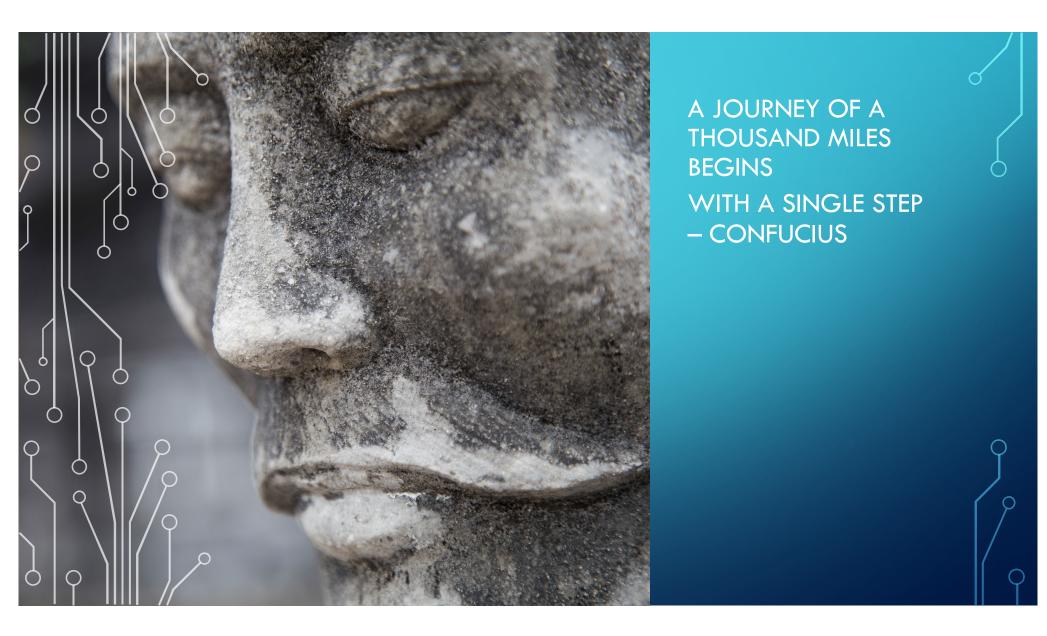
<u>*Time-consuming*</u> - the task will take large blocks of time, and large blocks of time are unavailable until the weekend.

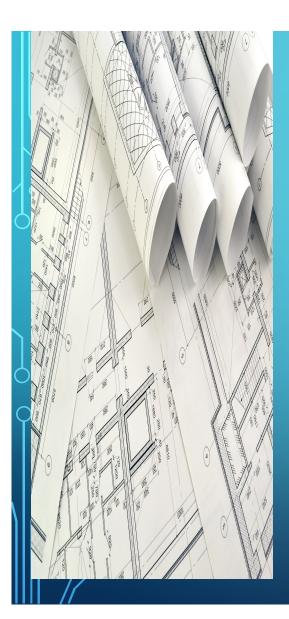
<u>Lack of knowledge or skills</u> - no one wants to make mistakes, so wait until you learn how before you start.

<u>Fears</u> - everyone will know how you screwed up.

The simple cure? Do everything opposite. Tell yourself: this isn't so hard, it won't take long, and I am sure that I know how to do it, or that I can learn while I'm doing it. And no one else really cares because they are all so busy with their own problems.





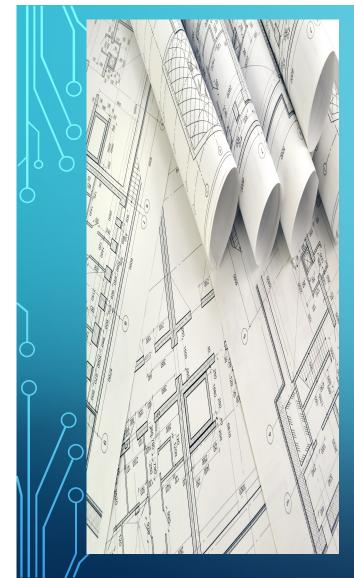


## A BLUEPRINT TO USE:

Make the tasks look small and easy in your mind.

Do only a small part of the task each time – baby action steps.

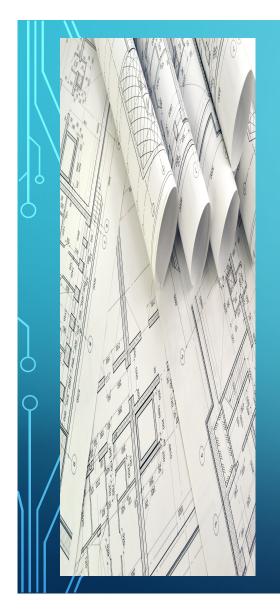
Five-minute plan: Work on something for just five minutes. At the end of five minutes, switch to something else if you want. Chances are, you'll get involved enough to keep going.



Advertise your plans to accomplish something, and let peer pressure push you forward. ("I told everyone that I was going to finish this tonight.")

Use a good friend as a positive role model. If you have trouble concentrating, study in the presence of someone who doesn't.

Modify your environment - if you can't study at home, find a place where you can study; or, change your study situation at home.



Plan tomorrow and establish priorities - some students find that simply writing down reasonable starting and stopping times help them get going.

Expect some backsliding. Don't expect to be perfect even when you're trying to get rid of perfectionism! So occasionally, your plans will not work. Accept setbacks and start again

