

HOW TO BE PERFEC(T): SCREENWRITER & AUTHOR MICHAEL SCHUR TEACHES US ETHICS 2022

DSBA WEBINAR VIA ZOOM

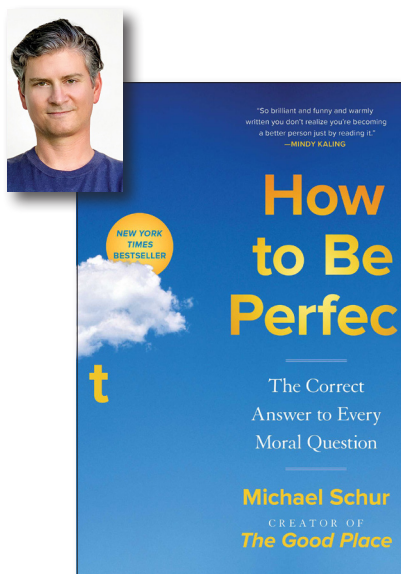
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1.0 Hours CLE credit in Enhanced Ethics for Delaware and Pennsylvania Attorneys

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Mike Schur, one of the principle writers for the Office (who also played Dwight's cousin Mose) and creator of the Good Place and Parks & Recreation, has written a new book based on his research for the Good Place (starring Kristen Bell & Ted Danson) which delves humorously into the deep world of ethics and philosophy. Mike joins us via Zoom to discuss his book and answers legal ethics questions using his research. Joining Mr. Schur will be the Honorable Mary M. Johnston who will put on her old ODC hat to apply the Delaware Rules of Professional Conduct. This should be a fun and amusing seminar.



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Michael Schur is the author of the *New York Times*-bestselling book, *HOW TO BE PERFECT: The Correct Answer to Every Moral Question*, published in January 2022. He created the critically acclaimed NBC comedy “The Good Place,” and co-created “Parks and Recreation,” “Brooklyn 99,” and the Peacock series “Rutherford Falls.” He is also an Executive Producer on HBO Max’s “Hacks” and Netflix’s “Master of None.” Prior to “Parks,” Michael spent four years as a writer-producer on the Emmy Award-winning NBC hit “The Office.” His first TV writing job was at “Saturday Night Live,” where he spent seven seasons, including three as the producer of “Weekend Update” with Tina Fey and Jimmy Fallon.

Mark Vavala has been involved with ADR (both arbitration and mediation) for several decades. In 1998, one of his duties as a Master for the court, was to assume the duties of ADR coordinator for Superior Court and scheduled mediation training for over 200 trained Superior Court mediators. As a master, he also underwent mediation training and began serving as a mediator on civil cases as assigned by the judges of the Superior Court. He continued mediating cases when he became a Commissioner in Superior Court in 2001. He has handled approximately 300 mediations, settling about 85% of them. In 2000, Vavala obtained signatures for a petition to create the ADR Section of the Delaware State Bar Association and became the new section’s first chairperson, a position he held for 2 years. In 2000, Vavala was also elected as the President of the Delaware Federation for Dispute Resolution, a community-based group focusing on the greater use of mediation. During the first two years of the ADR Section’s existence, the Court appointed Vavala and others in the section to a Superior Court steering committee to evaluate Rules 16.1 and 16.2. Independently from the steering committee, the section was tasked with making recommendations to the Superior Court as to what changes the Court should make to the two rules. In 2016, Commissioner Vavala retired from the Superior Court and went to work as the CLE Director for DSBA, and shortly thereafter as Executive Director. In 2017, DSBA was entrusted with the duty of providing Superior Court Mediation Training and has held training sessions each year (except for 2021). Vavala is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and the Widener Delaware Law School.

The Honorable Mary Miller Johnston was appointed to the Superior Court of Delaware on September 25, 2003. Judge Johnston received her J.D. cum laude from Washington & Lee University School of Law where she served as Lead Article's Editor of the Law Review. She also has B.A. magna cum laude in music from Wittenberg University, and an M.A. in music from Northwestern University. Before coming to the bench, Judge Johnston served as Chief Counsel of the Delaware Supreme Court's Office of Disciplinary Counsel, prosecuting attorney discipline cases and unauthorized practice of law matters. She formerly was a partner with Morris James, LLP practicing primarily in the areas of corporate and commercial litigation. She currently is assigned as a member of the Court's Complex

Commercial Litigation Division. Judge Johnston is past chair of the Delaware State Bar Association's Women and the Law Section; a recipient of the Bar Association's Women's Leadership Award; and was a member of the Pro Se Litigation Assistance Committee. She is a member of the Delaware Supreme Court's Permanent Advisory Committee on the Delaware Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct, the Professionalism Committee, the Court's Commission on Continuing Legal Education, and the Richard S. Rodney Inn of Court. Her past service includes the Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee and Judicial Liaison to the Executive Committee of the Delaware State Bar Association. Judge Johnston serves as a member of the Washington & Lee School of Law Council and member of the Board of Governors of Wesley Theological Seminary. She is past president of the Board of Children & Families First