

# **The Annual Bench-Bar CLE on Social Security Appeals Practice in the Western District of Washington**

**Wednesday, November 6, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**U.S. District Court  
700 Stewart Street, Seattle, WA 98101  
19th Floor Conference Room**

- 9:00 a.m. – **Welcome and Report from the Western District of Washington**  
9:10 a.m. The Hon. Marsha J. Pechman, District Judge  
U.S. District Court at Seattle, Washington  
Chair, Western Washington Social Security Committee
- 9:10 a.m. – **Perspectives from the Bench**  
9:35 a.m. The Hon. J. Richard Creatura, Magistrate Judge  
U.S. District Court at Tacoma, Washington
- The Hon. Michelle L. Peterson, Magistrate Judge  
U.S. District Court at Seattle, Washington
- 9:35 a.m. – Break  
9:45 a.m.
- 9:45 a.m. – **DA&A Under the Mental Listings: The Curious Case of Listing 12.08 and  
10:15 a.m. The Medical Reviewer’s Dilemma: Is DA&A a Sign of Another Mental  
Condition?**  
Arthur Lewy, Ph.D.  
Medical Contractor (Psychology)  
Social Security Administration  
Seattle Regional Office
- 10:15 a.m. – **Challenges in the Evaluation of Dual Diagnosis Patients**  
10:45 a.m. David Widlan, Ph.D.  
Licensed Psychologist
- 10:45 a.m. – **Counseling Vulnerable Clients with Substance Use Disorders and Mental  
11:15 a.m. Health Problems**  
Karen Lizzy, LMHC and Substance Use Disorder Professional
- 11:15 a.m. – **Best Practices: Round Table Discussions Regarding Hot Topics, Challenging  
12:00 p.m. Issues and Winning Strategies**