

LAW, EVIDENCE & TESTIMONY FOR BUILDING FORENSICS EXPERTS

What to Say, When to Say It, and How to Say It



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The best experts know more than just their field—they know how to be a witness. This half-day program focuses on important legal and evidentiary issues for building forensics scientists and experts.

This program is designed to provide experts with the knowledge and skills necessary to prepare and deliver effective, convincing testimony.

The seminar consists of two half-day sessions. The morning focuses on applicable law, evidentiary rules, communication and demonstrative evidence techniques.

The afternoon is a workshop devoted to developing and practicing testimonial and demonstrative evidence skills. Afternoon students prepare and present testimony in a mock courtroom and learn how to survive cross-examination in a hands-on setting.

Participants may attend just the morning or the afternoon session, but attending both sessions is highly recommended and ensures that you know **WHAT TO SAY** and **HOW TO SAY IT**.

Morning

- The Law: contracts, torts, statutes and legal requirements for damages
- Rules of Evidence for experts, expert testimony, opinion and scientific evidence
- Communication skills, theory, science and technique
- Demonstrative evidence: What is demonstrative evidence and how should it be prepared to be effective?

Lunch

- During lunch, participants will receive a fact packet and form work groups for the afternoon skills development workshop.

Afternoon

- Preparing for direct testimony
- Lawyers' techniques on cross-examination
- Work groups – preparation session for mock testimony
- Testimony from participants with critique

When: October 9, 2009

Where: Tsongas Litigation Consulting, Inc.
One SW Columbia Street, Suite 600
Portland, OR 97258

Cost: \$298 for One Session or \$795 for 3 or more from the same firm
\$498 for Whole Day or \$1,299 for 3 or more from the same firm
\$325 / \$525 (no group discounts) at the door

About the Faculty

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Roger has 25 years experience as a trial lawyer and mediator in the construction industry. He is a frequent lecturer on construction law and mediation. He also offers seminars for contractors on risk and project management. Roger is the past Chairman of the Construction Section for the Oregon State Bar and is admitted to practice in Oregon and Washington.

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Laura has 12 years of experience as a jury consultant. She has worked with hundreds of witnesses to improve confidence and credibility. She has given many seminars and participated in witness training workshops for all types of lay and expert witnesses. Her services also include strategic case presentation, creating persuasive demonstrative exhibits to support witness testimony, jury selection, and pre-trial jury research.

If you want to be the "best" expert, this is a seminar you cannot afford to miss.