

# Litigation Finance 101

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## Today's Program

- **Introduction to Litigation Funding**
  - What it is
  - Why it's useful
  - How it works
- **Ethical Issues (or Non-Issues)**
  - Champerty/Maintenance
  - Usury
  - Confidentiality
  - Conflicts of Interest
  - Fee Splitting

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## Introduction to Litigation Funding

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## What Is Litigation Funding?

- **A way for a plaintiff to:**
  - Fund some or all the fees/costs of a meritorious claim
  - Monetize some or all the value of a meritorious claim
- **A way for a law firm to:**
  - De-risk contingent fee arrangements
  - Secure working capital collateralized by future contingent fees

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## What Is Litigation Funding?

- **Key features**
  - Non-recourse
  - Available at any stage of the claim
  - Customized financing terms
  - Available across subject areas
- **Litigation funding is *not*:**
  - Legal representation
  - A loan

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