

# 2025 First Friday Ethics (March 2025)

## March 7, 2025 • STUDIO WEBCAST

### Friday Morning, Mar. 7, 2025

10:00 am 0.75 hr ethics	<p><b>My Mind Has A Mind of Its Own: Why Even Good Lawyers Are Lured Into Unethical Behavior by the Way Their Brains Work (Replay)</b></p> <p>Modern behavioral psychology research has revealed that our brains lead us into behaviors that are inconsistent with logic, our own self-interest, and ethical principles. This presentation explains how scientifically identifiable justifications, rationalizations, and heuristics can present challenges in legal ethics.</p> <p>Kevin Dubose, Alexander Dubose &amp; Jefferson LLP - Houston, TX</p>
10:45 am	<b>10-Minute Break</b>
10:55 am 0.75 hr ethics	<p><b>Fixing Federal Tax Return Mistakes (Replay)</b></p> <p>Mistakes happen in tax. Fixing those mistakes usually gets harder as time goes by. This presentation surveys a range of potential options: rescission, tax elections including Section 9100 relief, amended returns, method changes, attribute redeterminations, and more. The presentation also highlights ethical obligations that arise when considering how to best address prior mistakes.</p> <p>Tom Greenaway, KPMG LLP - Boston, MA</p>
11:45 am	<b>10-Minute Break</b>
11:55 am 1.00 hr ethics	<p><b>Ted Lasso and Lawyer Ethics (Replay)</b></p> <p>What can a fictional soccer coach, goldfish, and biscuits teach us about attorney ethics? Lace up your cleats and find out.</p> <p>Christie L. Hobbs, Northwest ISD - Fort Worth, TX</p>
12:55 pm	<b>10-Minute Break</b>
1:05 pm 0.50 hr ethics	<p><b>Why Does a Law Firm Need a Legal Department? (Replay)</b></p> <p>An exploration of how a firm's legal department can work to protect the firm and help lawyers navigate ethical questions, engagement letters, conflicts, waivers, sanctions, unhappy clients, claims, grievances, the use of AI and more.</p> <p>Julia M. Haines, Holland &amp; Knight LLP - Houston, TX Co-Author: Katia Sophia Leiva, Holland &amp; Knight LLP - Houston, TX</p>
1:35 pm	<b>Presentations Conclude</b>