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***"Appellate Practice in a COVID and Post-pandemic World!"***

(Approved by the PA CLE Board for two substantive CLE credits.)

***Tuesday, November 16, 2021***

*9:30 – 11:30 a.m. – Courtroom 8, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor – Federal Courthouse*

**Registration Fees:**    **\$110.00 Academy member**        **\$70.00 In Practice less than 5 years**  
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***Judge D. Michael Fisher, Senior Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit***

- ◆ Introduction- Status of appeals in the Third Circuit - current statistics.
- ◆ The impact of COVID on appellate practice, effective Zoom arguments and ramifications for in-person arguments. Plus argument tips from the bench.
- ◆ Effective brief writing dos and don'ts - how to get vaccinated against sanctions.
- ◆ What are the key factors for obtaining oral argument in the Third Circuit.
- ◆ Certification of questions to State Supreme Courts- to ask or not to ask.
- ◆ The rise of compassionate release cases and their implications.
- ◆ Want more oral argument experience? (answer-volunteer for a pro bono immigration appeal case)

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