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Federal Bar Association Chapter Sponsors Session on Preventing Cyber Attacks, State of the Court Luncheon

The Northern District of Ohio Chapter of the Federal Bar Association will hold its tenth annual "State of the Court" luncheon at 12 noon Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel, 24 Public Square in downtown Cleveland. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m.

The Honorable Solomon Oliver, Jr., Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, and the Honorable Pat E. Morgenstern-Clarren, Chief Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Ohio, will report on matters of interest to attorneys who practice before the federal courts. Cost to attend the luncheon is \$55 for individuals and \$35 for government employees.

Immediately preceding the luncheon, the Chapter will sponsor a seminar, "The Barbarians are at the Gate: Defending Your Firm from Cyber Attacks," featuring a panel of international experts including:

- Michael Echols, Director of Cyber Security for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security;
- Gareth Tungatt, co-founder of Ascent Underwriting of London;
- Chip Block, vice president of Evolver, Inc. and an expert in advanced technology development and cyber research;
- Nick Ash, founding partner of London-based firm Grosvenor Brokers, which specializes in professional liability;
- Joe Grespin, a risk management specialist from Dawson Companies;
- Brian McDonough, Assistant U.S. Attorney- Northern District of Ohio; and
- Donna Ruscitti, chair of Porter Wright's Technology and Privacy & Data Security practice groups.

A panel discussion on the "State of the Profession" will follow the cyber security seminar. Panelists include Chief Judge Oliver; Craig Boise, Dean of the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University; and Ken Grady, Lean Law Evangelist at Seyfarth Shaw LLP in Chicago. Phil Calabrese of Porter Wright will moderate the panel.

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The seminar and panel discussion will be held from 8:25 to 11:30 a.m. at the Renaissance and have been approved by the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education for 2.5 total CLE hours of instruction. Cost for the seminar is \$95 for FBA members and \$115 for non-members.

Details and registration are available at fba-ndohio.org/ProgramCalendar or by calling 877-322-6364. The luncheon has sold out for each of the last seven years so early registration is recommended.

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