



**AMERICAN COLLEGE
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Anatomy of a Trial: Opening Statements Through Closing Arguments

The Utah Chapter of the American College of Trial Lawyers presents a one-day program conducted by a faculty of leading trial lawyers and Utah judges, using the Ethel and Julius Rosenberg Trial as the case study.

Trial Bootcamp | Friday, October 24, 2025

S.J. Quinney College of Law Moot Courtroom | Salt Lake City, Utah

CREDITS: Approved by the Utah State Bar for 6.5 MCLE hours, including .5 hours of Professionalism and Civility credit.

REGISTRATION FEES:

- \$130 for in-person private sector lawyers
- \$80 for in-person public sector lawyers
- \$150 for remote attendance lawyers



TRIAL BOOTCAMP AGENDA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2025

9:00 – 9:10 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Retired Judge Richard McKelvie, mediator</i>
9:10 – 9:15 a.m.	Case Overview: The 1957 Rosenberg Spy Trial <i>Juli Blanch, Parsons Behle & Latimer</i>
9:15 – 9:35 a.m.	Opening Statements Lecture <i>Dennis Ferguson, mediator</i>
9:35 – 9:55 a.m.	Opening Statement Government Demonstration <i>J. Drew Yeates, Dentons</i>
9:55 – 10:15 a.m.	Opening Statement Defense Demonstration <i>Kathryn Nester, Nester Lewis</i>
10:15 – 10:35 a.m.	Opening Statements Critique and Panel Discussion Moderator: <i>Alan Sullivan, formerly of Snell & Wilmer</i> Panelists: <i>Judge James Gardner, Third District Court, State of Utah; Juli Blanch, Parsons Behle & Latimer; and Andrew Morse, mediator</i>
10:35 – 10:45 a.m.	Morning Break
10:45 – 11:05 a.m.	Direct Examination Lecture <i>Francis Wikstrom, Parsons Behle & Latimer</i>
11:05 – 11:25 a.m.	Direct Examination Demonstration <i>Karen C. Burgess, Burgess Law PC and Zach Colangelo (S.J. Quinney Law School 2025) as witness David Greenglass</i>
11:25– 11:45 a.m.	Direct Examination Critique and Panel Discussion Moderator: <i>Andrew Morse, mediator</i> Speakers: <i>Judge Robert Shelby, Chief Judge of the United States District Court, District of Utah; Juli Blanch, Parsons Behle & Latimer; and George Haley, mediator</i>
11:45 – 12:25 p.m.	Panel Discussion: What Judges Want from Trial Lawyers Moderator: <i>Dale Lambert, formerly of Christensen & Jensen</i> Panelists: <i>Judge Stephen Nelson, Third District Court, State of Utah; Judge Dale Kimball, United States District Court, District of Utah; and Justice Diana Hagen, Utah Supreme Court</i>
12:25 – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch (included for registered in-person attendees)

Trial Skills Program Agenda (continued)

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1:15 – 1:35 p.m.	Cross Examination Lecture <i>Trina Higgins, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati</i>
1:35 – 1:55 p.m.	Cross Examination Demonstration <i>Tara Isaacson, Tara Isaacson Law, LLC and Zach Colangelo (S.J. Quinney Law School 2025) as witness David Greenglass</i>
1:55 – 2:15 p.m.	Cross Examination Critique and Panel Discussion Moderator: <i>Trina Higgins, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati</i> Panelists: <i>Justice Paige Petersen, Utah Supreme Court; Bryon Benevento, Dorsey & Whitney, LLP; and George Haley, mediator</i>
2:15 – 2:25 p.m.	Afternoon Break
2:25 – 2:45 p.m.	Closing Argument Lecture <i>E. Scott Savage, Savage, Yeates & Waldron, PC</i>
2:45 – 3:05 p.m.	Closing Argument Government Demonstration <i>Stewart Walz, former AUSA for the District of Utah</i>
3:05 – 3:25 p.m.	Closing Argument Defense Demonstration <i>Darnell Crandall (Special Guest, Salt Lake Legal Defenders)</i>
3:25 – 3:45 p.m.	Closing Argument Critique and Panel Discussion Moderator: <i>Juli Blanch, Parsons Behle & Latimer</i> Panelists: <i>Judge Michele Christiansen Forster, Presiding Judge, Utah Court of Appeals; Judge Kristine E. Johnson, Third District Court, State of Utah; and Tara Isaacson, Tara Isaacson Law, LLC</i>
3:45 – 4:15 p.m.	Professionalism and Civility Discussion
4:15 – 4:45 p.m.	Question & Answer Session, then Adjourn

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