

A Southern Land Title Agency Winter CLE
February 12, 2026

Location: Country Club of North Carolina, Pinehurst, North Carolina
Time: 8:30AM – 4:30PM

8:30-9:00AM – Breakfast & Sign In

9:00-10:00AM – KYLE SMALLING, CAPITAL CITY LAW – AI Abstracting: Automation, Risk and Professional Responsibility (Winter 2026): New software tools are increasingly assisting — and in some cases replacing — manual steps in the practice of real estate law. We will look at how these emerging systems affect our practice, where errors and fraud tend to arise, and how attorneys can respond to these emergent tools while preserving client protection and professional standards.

10:00-11:00AM – ANNE PARKIN, DIRECTOR, TRUST ACCOUNT COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT – Managing Your Trust Account: It's More Than Just Numbers: The program provides a comprehensive overview of Rule 1.15 and a review of random audit results. Topics include the recordkeeping requirements, handling abandoned/unclaimed funds, identifying red flags, staying alert for frauds and scams, best practices and resources.

11:00-12:00PM – OZIE STALLWORTH, NORTH CAROLINA SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE – 2026 Remote Notary in NC: After years of anticipation, North Carolina has adopted the rules for Remote Electronic Notarization (REN), and the Secretary of State's office has been working full throttle to bring this new era to life! Learn about the process for conducting RENs, requirements and prohibitions, updated notary requirements, security standards, and more. With platform approvals targeted for early 2026, it is the perfect time to get up to speed on what has happened, where we are now, and what's coming for 2026.

12:00-1:00PM – Break for Lunch

1:00-2:00PM – CHRISTOPHER B. MCLAUGHLIN, PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC LAW AND GOVERNMENT, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL – Real Estate Tax: We all know to prorate taxes on a closing statement, but how much do we really know about real estate taxation beyond that? How do real estate taxes affect our practice and our clients? Learn more about the basis for taxation of real estate in North Carolina, valuation of real property, exempt property, statutory deferral programs, tax liens, and collection.

2:00-3:00PM – JASON T. CAMPBELL – Eminent Domain: Federal, state and local governments, along with public utilities, have vast powers to take interests in land in North Carolina — fee simple and easement, temporary and permanent. This session explores the statutory basis for these powers and their limitations, as well as the mechanics of the condemnation process, with a focus on key points for transactional lawyers.

3:00-3:15PM – BREAK

3:15-4:15PM – MATT LINVILLE, INVESTORS TITLE COMPANY – Like Kind, Like Pro: Navigating 1031s with Confidence: 1031 exchanges are one of the most powerful tools for deferring taxes, but only if attorneys understand the rules and pitfalls. This one-hour class cuts through the complexity with practical guidance on timelines, compliance, and strategies that matter most. You'll leave with clear insights to help clients save taxes and keep more of their hard-earned equity working for them.

4:15PM – Closing Remarks

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Please RSVP as soon as possible to Jessica@aslandtitle.com.