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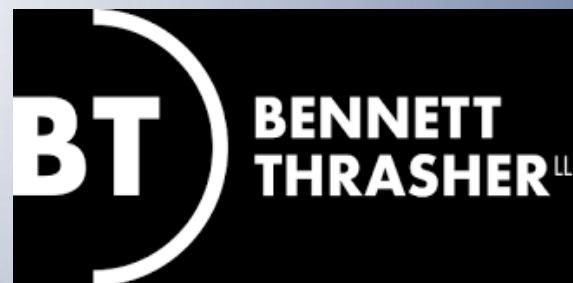
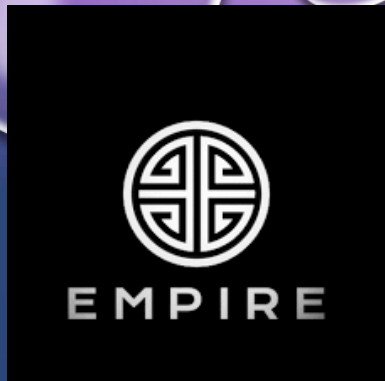
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SCHEDULE OVERVIEW



Day	General	Fun
Tuesday November 7, 2023	"Early Arrival Club" Check in.	"Early Arrival Club" (Dinner at 8:00) For anyone who wants to join us.
Wednesday November 8, 2023	"Check in"	Welcome Party (7:00 on Beach) Dinner and Drinks
Thursday November 9, 2023	Morning Classes Registration	Dinner on your own.
Friday November 10, 2023	Morning Classes	Dinner on your own.
Saturday November 11, 2023	Morning Classes	BMI Cocktail Party and Dinner (7:00 on Beach) EMPIRE AFTER PARTY
Sunday November 12, 2023	Check Out	"Day Late Club" (Dinner at 8:00) For anyone who wants to join us.
Monday November 13, 2023	"Day Late Club" Check Out	



RECEPTION COCKTAILS & DINNER

• **WHEN: WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 8, 2023 (7:00)**

• **WHERE: ON THE BEACH . . .OF
COURSE**



THURSDAY (11/9/23)-(DAY 1)

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
8:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>OPENING REMARKS</u></p> <p>Darryl B. Cohen, Founder, Cohen, Cooper, Estep & Allen, LLC, Atlanta Scott Keniley, Academic Chair, Keniley Kumar, LLC, Chief Legal Officer, Soundscape VR, Adjunct-Professor, Georgia State University, Atlanta</p>	
8:10	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>GENERATIVE AI AND COPYRIGHT</u> <u>"Can we all just get along?"</u></p> <p>Mod. Scott Keniley, Chief Legal Officer, Soundscape, Keniley Kumar, LLC, Adjunct-Professor, Georgia State University, Atlanta</p> <p>Panelists: Stephen Easley, Esq. Founder/Director, AllMojo Management, The Buddy Holly Educational Foundation and Trustee, Austin, TX Brenton Hund, Assistant General Counsel, Music, Warner Bros. Discovery, Atlanta Michael Olsen, Of Counsel, Smith Entertainment Law Group, LLP, Nashville</p>	
9:10	UPDATES/SPONSOR	
9:30	BREAK	
9:40	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CONCERTS AND TECHNOLOGY</u> <u>"If you build it, they come."</u></p> <p>Mod. Lauren Spahn, Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley & Norton, LLP, Nashville</p> <p>Panelists: Chris Benner, Bennet Thrasher, Atlanta RJ Romeo, President, Romeo Entertainment, Nashville William Lewis, Barnes & Thornberg, Atlanta</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ANCILLARY REPRESENTATION</u> <u>"An Intersection in COMMON LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL ISSUES in Sports/Entertainment"</u></p> <p>Mod. Joe Habachy, Joe S. Habachy PC, Atlanta</p> <p>Panelists: Eddie Bradford Jr. CPA, CGMA, Frazier & Deeter, Atlanta Carolyn Herman, Carolyn Herman, PLLC, Jacksonville David L. Neale, Esq., Levene, Neale, Bender, Yoo & Golubchik L.L.P.</p>

THURSDAY (11/9/23)-(DAY 1-CONT)

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
10:50	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TECHNOLOGY & THE ENTERTAINMENT STARTUP</u></p> <p><u>Mod.</u> Mark Passler, Akerman LLP, West Palm Beach</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Darwin J. Bruce, Haynes Boone, Dallas Arina Shulga, Nelson Mullins, New York Bradley Zimmer, Attorney, Professor Duke University, Atlanta</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Successful Strategies in defending music industry copyright infringement claims.</u></p> <p><u>Mod.</u> Brian Caplan, Reitler Kailas & Rosenblatt LLC, New York</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Lauren Kilgore, Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley & Norton, LLP, Nashville Christine Lepera, Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp, LLP New York Edwin F. McPherson, McPherson LLP, Los Angeles</p>
11:50	BREAK	BREAK
12:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>STATE OF THE MUSIC INDUSTRY 2023</u></p> <p><u>Mod.</u> Jim Zumwalt, Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley & Norton, LLP, Nashville</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Alex Heiche, Founder, Sound Royalties, Nashville Gabe Fleet, Latham & Watkins, New York Ryan Zumwalt, Esq., Owner, Zumrock, LLC, Nashville</p>	
1:00	END DAY 1 (EXCEPT NEWER ATTORNEYS)	

THURSDAY (11/9/23)-(DAY 1-CONTINUED)

Beach Front Restaurant . . . Of course

1:30

"NEWER" ATTORNEYS' ROUNDTABLE AND LUNCH (Including Ethics/Professionalism)
"Lessons from Mentors"

Hosted by:

Connor Edwards, Counsel, Business and Legal Affairs, Cooper Holdings

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Marianna McDevitt, Nelson Mullins, Atlanta

Mandatory Attendance and Participation by Akerman Scholars:

FRIDAY (11/10/23)-(DAY 2)

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
8:00	<p><u>PROFESSIONALISM in "OUR" Profession</u></p> <p><u>Mod. Hon. J. Stephen Schuster, Judge</u>, Former Superior Court, Cobb Circuit, Marietta, GA</p> <p>Panelist: Reginald L. Thomas, Kentucky State Senator, Professor <i>Kentucky State University</i>, Lexington Melanie D. Fenwick Thompson, Fenwick Thompson & Associates, LLC, Atlanta</p>	
9:00	<p>SUMMIT INTEL-Q&A (Discussing all Summit Components)</p>	
9:20	<p>BREAK</p>	
9:30	<p><u>MUSIC PUBLISHING 2023 AND BEYOND</u> <u>WEB 3.0/AI AND MORE?</u></p> <p><u>Mod. Doug Colton</u>, Colton Law Firm, LLC, Nashville</p> <p>Panelists: Tate Henshaw, CFP, ARC Business Management, Atlanta Vinny Kumar, Keniley Kumar LLC, Senior VP, Legal & Business Affairs, EMPIRE Publishing, Atlanta, GA AI "Butter" McLean, Senior VP, Creative Worldwide, EMPIRE Publishing, Atlanta</p>	<p><u>NAME IMAGE & LICENSING</u> <u>"BUYING THE AMATEUR"</u></p> <p><u>Mod. DiAndre Green,, Esq.</u> Bennett Thrasher, Atlanta</p> <p>Panelists: Greg Curtner, Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila, Ann Arbor Shannon Ligon, Pretty Smart Law, Miami Lee Morin, Morin Entertainment Law, LLC, Atlanta</p>
	<p>BREAK</p>	<p>BREAK</p>

FRIDAY (11/10/23)-(DAY 2-CONT)

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
10:40	<p style="color: red; text-align: center;"><u>MUSIC TRANSACTIONS 2023 "NEW TECH CONSIDERATIONS"</u></p> <p><u>Mod. Brittney Trigg</u>, B Trigg Law, PLLC, Ft. Lauderdale</p> <p><u>Panelist:</u> Matt Buser, Matthew W. Buser, PL, Tampa Sarah Beth Gerlecz, Counsel, EMPIRE Distribution Recordings Publishing, Nashville Loren Wells, Wells-Kappel, Chicago Mason Wolfe, Wolfe Law Miami, PA, Miami</p>	<p style="color: red; text-align: center;"><u>TALKING HEADS AND THE UNSCRIPTED</u></p> <p><u>Mod. Darryl B. Cohen</u>, Cohen, Cooper, Estep & Allen, LLC, Atlanta</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Latonia P. Hines, Sr. Asst. District Attorney, DeKalb County, Council Member, City of Smyrna, Atlanta Josh Schiffer, JD Law Group, LLC, Atlanta Meg Strickler, Conaway & Strickler, PC, Atlanta</p>
11:40	BREAK	BREAK
11:50	<p style="color: red; text-align: center;"><u>ENTERTAINMENT CASE LAW UPDATE</u></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Karl Braun, Hall Booth Smith, P.C., Nashville Jason H. Cooper, The Sladkus Law Group, Atlanta Rob McNeely, Messer Caparello, PA, Professor, Florida State University College of Law, Tallahassee</p>	
12:50	END DAY 2	

SATURDAY (11/11/23)-(DAY 3)

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
8:00	<p><u>ETHICS</u> <u>"Is Your License at Risk?"</u></p> <p><u>Mod.</u> Hon. Shawn LaGrua, Justice, Georgia Supreme Court, Atlanta</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Tim Kappel, <i>Wells-Kappel</i>, New Orleans</p>	
9:00	<p><u>The Summit 2022 & Beyond</u></p>	
9:20	BREAK	
9:30	<p><u>FASHION IN THE METAVERSE</u></p> <p><u>Mod.</u> Daliah Saper, Saper Law, Chicago</p> <p><u>Panelist:</u> Joan Davis, Schroder Brooks Law Firm, PLC, Richmond Anne Fernando, Rashfal & Associates, LLC, Atlanta Johnna Lee, J. Lee Law Firm, LLC, Atlanta</p>	<p><u>EVOLVING US AND INTERNATIONAL CMO MARKETPLACE</u></p> <p><u>Mod.</u> Henry Root, Smith Entertainment Law Group, LLP, Los Angeles</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Bob Bruderman, Executive Vice President, Global Digital Partnerships, Kobalt, New York Kenneth Steinthal, Partner, King & Spalding, San Francisco</p>
	BREAK	BREAK

SATURDAY (11/11/23)-(DAY 3-CONT)

	ROOM 1	ROOM 2
10:40	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SOCIAL or Not, It's MEDIA</u></p> <p>Mod. Marguerite E. "Becky" Patrick, Law Office of Marguerite E. Patrick, Atlanta</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Carolynn Beck, Eisner LLP, New York Jonathon Ellin, Counsel, Business and Legal Affairs, The Weather Channel, Atlanta Evelyn "Evie" Mimms, Evelyn Mimms Media Group, Inc., Atlanta Kelly Whitehart, Nelson Mullins, Atlanta</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TRIAL STRATEGIES & TACTICS IN ENTERTAINMENT LITIGATION</u></p> <p>Mod. Richard C. Wolfe, Wolfe Law Miami, PA, Miami</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Paul LiCalsi, Reitler Kailas & Rosenblatt LLC, New York Hillel I Parness, Parness Law Firm, PLLC, New York Gordon Williams, Lee & Thompson, London Chris Vlahos, Ritholz Levy Fields, Nashville</p>
11:40	BREAK	BREAK
11:45	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>"NEW NEWS"</u> <u>HOT NEWS IN ENTERTAINMENT/SPORTS/IP</u></p> <p>Mod. Michael D. Hobbs, Jr, Troutman Pepper, Atlanta</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> Alan K. Fertel, Weiss Serota Helfman Cole and Bierman P.L, Coral Gables Harold Flegelman, Adjunct Professor, University of Miami School of Law, Miami Brian Roof, General Counsel, The Weather Channel, Atlanta</p>	
7:00	COCKTAILS & DINNER ON THE BEACH	EMPIRE "AFTER PARTY" (CONFERENCE ROOM)



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- WHEN: AFTER BMI DINNER
- WHERE: (CONFERENCE ROOM)

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